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The Illinois Chapter of the American Planning Association (ILAPA) and the Illinois Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ILASLA) are once again co-hosts of the ILAPA Illinois State Conference. The 2008 Illinois State Conference will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn - Champaign from October 29-31, 2008.

Highlights of this year's conference include a keynote address by John Norquist, former Milwaukee Mayor and current President of the Congress for New Urbanism and Bruce Knight, FAICP, President-Elect of the American Planning Association. Mr. Knight will discuss APA's bright future as well as how APA can approach tomorrow's challenging issues by working alongside ASLA and other key partners. Additionally, over 35 sessions will be held, covering topics like alternative transportation, green technology and practices, downtown revitalization, and important Illinois issues. There are four exciting mobile workshops to choose from, including a trip to Illinois' largest wind farm or a tour of the remarkable growth and development of the Champaign-Urbana communities.

This year's conference offers many opportunities for company sponsorship. Your participation and contribution to the 2008 Illinois State Conference will greatly influence the quality of planning, land use, sustainability and community redevelopment within Illinois. In addition, this conference presents a forum for direct contact with many municipal planning departments, private planning consultants and landscape architects/consultants within our memberships.

Five sponsorship levels are available, each providing a specific level of recognition and opportunity for company advertisement. Both the Illinois Chapter of American Planning Association and Illinois Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects invite your participation as a Corporate Sponsor for the 2008 Illinois State Conference. Sponsorship opportunities are limited -- please return the enclosed sponsorship registration form by September 1.

We look forward to you joining us as a conference sponsor!

Sincerely,

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Sponsorship Committee, Chair