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IEDC’s Advisory Committees are an excellent place to network with your peers, engage with the challenges of strengthening our shared profession, and learn about trends and topics that will impact the work that we do.

Advisory committees generally meet 4 – 6 times a year, primarily through conference calls.

Accredited Economic Development Organizations Committee
Oversees AEDO applications, conducts the AEDO process, and makes recommendations for AEDO status.
Contact: Dana Crater, dcrater@iedconline.org, (910) 833-7020

Education and Certification Advisory Committee
Assists in the development of new CEcD exam content and provides input to shape the content of professional development courses. The committee monitors complimentary and competitive education offerings by outside groups within the economic development field.
Contact: Courtney Day, cday@iedconline.org, (202) 942-9464

Excellence in Economic Development Awards Advisory Committee
Makes recommendations for enhancing the Excellence in Economic Development Awards and conducts the judging for the awards. Members must be able to participate in the judging in Washington DC.
Contact: Allison Mahnke, amahnke@iedconline.org, (202) 942-9483

Higher Education Advisory Committee
Implements strategies to foster broader engagement between economic developers and the higher education sector. Encourage collaboration between economic developer and academia to grow jobs, investment and talent in a knowledge based economy.
Contact: Claudia Bellony, cbellony@iedconline.org, (202) 942-9470
International Advisory Committee
Provides a venue for networking and knowledge sharing among internationally-active members - both practitioners outside the US and those with an interest in global issues, trends and best practices. Advises on international content for IEDC’s conferences, training courses and research projects.
Contact: Zytha Kock, zkock@iedconline.org, (202) 942-9466

Membership Development Advisory Committee
Focuses on membership development and enhancement including the mentoring and cultivating of new professionals in the economic development profession. The committee reviews strategies to recruit new members, and assists in the development of new cost-effective member services.
Contact: Phil Goodwin, pgoodwin@iedconline.org, (202) 639-9106

Public Policy Advisory Committee
Reviews IEDC’s legislative affairs and federal relations by establishing a list of key legislative issues to be monitored, recommending strategic and policy actions, and providing guidance on the content of the annual Economic Development Summit.
Contact: Matt Mullin, mmullin@iedconline.org, (202) 942-9482

Sustainability Advisory Committee
Provides direction to IEDC’s activities in the area of sustainable economic development, by identifying resources to support sustainability projects, and developing criteria for sustainability best practices.
Contact: Louise Anderson, landerson@iedconline.org, (202) 223-7800

Young Professionals Advisory Committee
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