LANDFORM DESIGN INSTITUTE

Join the LDI mission:

The benefits of corporate membership



2026

The Landform Design Institute at a glance



The Landform Design Institute is an independent, not-for-profit organization collaborating with the international mining community, regulators, and Indigenous and local communities. It was created in 2019 to develop and support a global community of landform design practitioners.

Landform design is an emerging, integrated, multidisciplinary process to successfully reconstruct mine land with confidence and pride. The Institute's vision is that all mining occurs with the end in mind. The end is defined as truly sustainable mining landscapes that satisfy the needs of all involved: the mining company, the regulator, Indigenous peoples, and local communities.

Our mission is to make landform design routine in the mining industry worldwide by 2030 by developing "how to" resources, providing education and training, and supporting the global landform design community. Corporate memberships are available for CDN$5,000 per year for companies with over 100 employees, and CDN$2,000 for non-profit organizations and companies with under 100 employees.

Landform Design Institute Membership Benefits

Benefit	Non-member	Email List	Student	Individual	Corporate	Sponsorship	Details
	$0	$0	$10/year	$90/year	$ varies	$ varies	
Direct contribution to the mission of the Institute			✓	✓	✓	✓	
LDI Focus: How-to resources							
Position papers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	All position papers are posted on the LDI website for public access.
Access to LDI library and products, including how-to landform design tools and checklists, video vignettes, curated reviews, literature reviews, and TAP articles			✓	✓	✓	✓	One example of each product made available through the website.
Technical reports, textbooks			20% off	20% off	✓	✓	Electronic copies included; 20% discount for hard copies.
LDI Focus: Education and training							
Landform design lectures			✓	✓	✓	✓	One introductory landform design lecture is posted on website for all.
Quarterly lunch-and-learn training webinars					✓	✓	Includes Q&A discussion session.
Short courses			20% off	20% off	20% off	✓	20% discount per individual member attendees.
Online graduate-level university landform design course			20% off	20% off	20% off	✓	20% discount per individual member participant.
LDI Focus: Establish and support design community							
Landform Design Update newsletter	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Back issues also available on website for public access.
Regular alerts for events and publications		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Access to membership directory			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Podcasts	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	All episodes are posted on podcasting platforms and the LDI website.
Case-history database			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Networking at virtual and in-person events			✓	✓	✓	✓	
Logo placement as corporate member or sponsor					✓	✓	Included on website and publications. A chance to highlight your support.
Opportunity to support specific topics, courses, & publications					✓	✓	Editorial control remains solely with the LDI Board.
Complimentary individual membership					✓	✓	For contacts within your organization.

LDI Corporate Membership Benefits

Products	Description	Notes
Complete unlimited access to		
Position papers	A series of landform design discussion papers	One example of each available through the website for all
Curated library	Landform design curated library with reviews of key refs	
Tools	Landform design tools and checklists	
Infographics	Handy lists & tutorials on specific landform design topics	
Video vignettes	Five-minute vignettes on specific landform design topics	
Literature reviews	A survey and analysis on a specific landform design topic	
TAP articles	Short articles by TAP members on landform design topics	
Newsletter	*Landform Design Quarterly and Updates*	Back issues also available on website for all
Technical reports	Technical reports on specific topics (40 over 10 years)	Free electronic copies of technical reports included with corporate memberships and sponsorships. A 20% discount for hard copies
Landform design lectures	A series of lectures on landform design topics	One introductory landform design lecture is posted on website for all
Podcast interviews	A series of podcasts with practitioners	All podcasts are posted on the website
Membership directory	The Landform Design Institute membership directory	Networking platform available to all members
Unlimited memberships within your organization	Customizable membership options within your organization	Accounts can be set up individually or as a general group email
Quarterly lunch-and-learn sessions available live or on recording	90-minute session that includes both lecture and discussion on hot topics	Available every 3 months for any corporate member. Lecture is recorded so it may be viewed at a later time. 18 month back issues are also available on website for all
20% Membership Discount		
Online landform design course	A web-based multi module course that provides a series of graduate level lectures supported by landform design professionals	Modules include lectures, exercises, and a completion certificate.
Short courses	Individual half-, one-, two- and three-day courses	A 20% discount per individual corporate member attendees
LDI textbooks	A how-to textbook: International Mine Reclamation	Purchasing discounts available

Products	Description	Notes
Other Benefits		
Networking at virtual and in-person events	Opportunities to connect with multiple diverse stakeholders in the industry	
Logo placement that designates member as corporate member or sponsor	The Landform Design Institute membership directory	Included on website and publications. A chance to highlight your support.
Opportunity to support specific topics, courses, or publications	Working groups	Note that editorial control remains solely with the LDI Board.
Case-history database	A database of landform design case histories (target 500)	

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Cost Structure

Site of operation	Annual cost (CDN$)	5-year membership
>>> Opportunity to directly contribute to the mission of the Institute		
Private corporations		
< 100 employees	$2,000	$10,000
≥ 100 employees	$5,000	$25,000
Non-profit organization and educational institutions		
All inclusive	$2,000	$10,000



>>> Join the LDI as a corporate member

Corporate membership provides the opportunity to be an integral part of the LDI. It includes all the advantages of individual membership, plus free access to all online course materials, free quarterly lunch and learn webinars, 20% discount for attendees of short and on-line courses, and prominent logo placement on all Institute products. The table on the centerspread provides more details on all benefits.

LDI focus areas for 2026 and beyond

The Institute's agenda focuses on three areas:

- Developing how-to resources important to landform design that draw on an extensive online case-history database and address gaps in the current technology and can be accessed through the LDI library
- Education and training in the form of online courses, short courses and lectures, and university-based graduate-level courses
- Supporting the global landform design community with the above resources, but also with a full landform design framework for mine owners, practitioners, regulators, and Indigenous and local communities, and helping them work together. The vision is achieved through the mission, which is to make landform design routine in the mining industry worldwide by 2030 by developing clear how-to guidance, providing education and training, and supporting the global community of practitioners. In the effort to build this community, we are attracting student and individual members as well as corporate members and sponsors.

The Institute is concentrating on four themes that fill gaps in current landform design and mine closure practice:

- **Physical landform design** – design and construction of landforms including topography, geotechnical, surface water quality and quantity, groundwater, ecosystems, soils, vegetation, and wildlife
- **Business case and framework** – making the economic argument and establishing a business framework for mine reclamation and landform design, and demonstrating how to establish governance
- **Community engagement / co-reclamation** – collaboration with Indigenous and local communities in a co-reclamation approach to mine reclamation
- **Socio-economic issues related to actual mine closure** — changes to the local and regional economy when a mine closes.



>>> Corporate members will have the opportunity to help identify, select, and prioritize LDI content through direct consultation with the LDI Board.

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Join Us

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We're looking forward to your call.

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