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IARC Receives 2014 Innovation Award from NADO

The Iowa Association of Regional Councils (IARC) has been selected as one of the 2014 Innovation Award recipients from the National Association of Development Organizations.

IARC was selected for its collaboration with Iowa State University Extension & Outreach (ISUEO). The two organizations entered into a joint position agreement, which allowed IARC to continue its rapid growth with a new, full-time executive director and allow ISUEO to create better connections between the university's community and regional planning department and Extension's capacity to connect to cities, counties, businesses and nonprofits.

NADO is a Washington, DC-based association that promotes programs and policies that strengthen local governments, communities, and economies through regional cooperation, program delivery, and comprehensive strategies.

The association's Innovation Awards program recognizes regional development organizations and partnering organizations for improving the economic and community competitiveness of our nation's regions and local communities.

Award winners will be showcased during NADO's 2014 Annual Training Conference, August 23 - 26 in Denver, Colorado.

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Doug Elliott (left), executive director of the East Central Iowa Council of Governments and Rick Hunsaker (right), executive director of the Region XII Council of Governments are pictured with Peter Gregory (center), NADO president and executive director of the Two Rivers-Ottawquechee Regional Commission in Woodstock Vermont at the NADO 2014 Annual Training Conference.

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