



First meeting of the  
UN DESA/IASIA 2023 Task Force for

# The Review of the Standards of Excellence for Public Administration Education and Training

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**Booklet**

# Proposed Expert Group Meeting Agenda



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**Proposed Expert Group Meeting for the  
Update and Review of the Standards of Excellence in  
Public Administration Teaching and Education**

## **Draft Agenda**

**11 - 12 March 2024 - New York City (in-person)  
09:00 - 16:00 New York time (EST)**

### **Day 1**

9:00 – 9:20

#### **Welcome and opening remarks**

- Mr. Juwang Zhu, Director, Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government (DPIDG/UN DESA)
- Dr. Najat Zarrouk, President, International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA)
- Dr. Allan Rosenbaum, Chairperson of the UN DESA/IASIA 2023 Task Force; Chairperson ICAPA; Past President, American Society for Public Administration (ASPA); Professor, Florida International University

Moderator: Ms. Cristina Rodriguez-Acosta, Inter-regional Adviser, Public Administration, Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government (DPIDG/UN DESA)

9:20 – 9:40

#### **Overview of the objectives and expected outcomes of the Meeting**

- Ms. Adriana Alberti, Chief, Programme Management and Capacity Development Unit (PMCDU/DPIDG/ UN DESA)
- Mr. Kyu Chang Ko, Head of Office, United Nations Project Office on Governance (UNPOG)

Moderator: Mr. Cesar Alfonzo, Executive Secretary, IASIA

9:40 – 9:45

#### **Group picture**

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9:45 – 12:30

## **Expert Dialogue 1: Report on regional online seminars – proposals from the regions - Harmonization of proposals from the regional meetings**

- Africa: Dr. Ludeki Chweya, Director General & Chief Executive Officer, Kenya School of Government (Kenya), Vice-President of IASIA for Africa (10 minutes)
- Americas: Mr. Devon Rowe, Executive Director, Caribbean Centre for Development Administration (CARICAD) and CEPA Member, Jamaica
- Asia and Pacific: Dr. Alex Brillantes, Secretary General, Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration, Philippines
- Europe: Ms. Ludmilla Gajdosova, Executive Director, Network of Schools and Institutes of Public Administration of Central and Eastern Europe, Bratislava, Slovakia
- Middle East: Dr. Ra'ed Bin Shams, IIAS President, Director General of the Bahrain Institute of Public Administration - BIPA (Bahrain)

### Comments and Open Discussion

During this session one expert per region will present on the discussion, findings, and recommendations resulting from the regional online seminars.

Moderator: Dr. Sofiane Sahraoui, Executive Director, IIAS

12:30 – 14:00

## **Lunch**

14:00 – 16:00

## **Expert Dialogue 2: Proposals to Update or New SoE**

### Proposals for Standard One: Public Service Commitment

- Dr. Joao Salis Gomes, Chairperson of ICAPA Steering Committee; ISCTE – Lisbon University Institute, Portugal

### Proposals for Standard Two: Advocacy of Public Interest Values

- Dr. Liza van Jaarsveldt, Associate professor at University of South Africa, South Africa

### Proposals for Standard Three: Combining Scholarship, Practice and Community Service

- Dr. Leonardo Secchi, Past-President, Brazilian Society for Public Administration – Sociedade Brasileira de Administração Pública

Proposals for Standard Four: The Faculty are Central

- Dr. Pan Suk Kim, International Director, American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) and Member of the United Nations International Civil Service Commission.

*Special attention will be given to how to harmonize the proposed standards, evaluation criteria, and regional approaches to implementation.*

Moderator: Dr. Allan Rosenbaum, Chairperson of the UN DESA/IASIA 2023 Task Force; Chairperson ICAPA; Past President, American Society for Public Administration (ASPA); Professor, Florida International University

16:00 – 16:15 **Coffee Break**

16:15 – 18:00 **Expert Dialogue 3: Proposals to Update or New SoE**

Proposals for Standard Five: Inclusiveness is at the Heart of the Program

- Dr. Sara Alotaibi, Head, Institute of Public Administration, Saudi Arabia

Proposals for Standard Six: A Curriculum that is Purposeful and Responsive

- Dr. Rachel Emas, George Washington University

Proposals for Standard Seven: Adequate Resources are Critical

- Dr. Frank Naert. Ghent University

Proposals for Standard Eight: Balancing Collaboration and Competition

- Dr. Tashi Pem, Director General, Royal Civil Service Commission, Bhutan

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Moderator: TBC

## Day 2

### 09:00 – 10:30 **Expert Dialogue 4: Experts discussion on suggestions and recommendations from task force members to update the SoE**

Presented by Dr. Rolf Alter, HERTIE School, Berlin, Germany  
and  
Dr. Mousa Abu Zaid, Palestinian School of Administration, Palestine

Open discussion

This session will review the main findings and recommendations from the task force members and discuss how can the SDGs be mainstreamed in the updated and revised SoE.

Moderator: TBC

### 10:30 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

### 11:00 – 12:30 **Expert Dialogue 5: Propose criteria to evaluate the implementation of the 2023 Standards of Excellence**

- Dr. Allan Rosenbaum, Chair of Taskforce, Past President of ASPA; Professor, Florida International University
- Dr. John-Mary Kauzya, Professor, Stellenbosch University, South Africa
- Dr. Manchuan Wang, Executive Vice President, and Secretary General of China Society of Administrative Reform
- Dr. Hamid Ali, Doha Institute, Qatar
- Dr. Tashi Pem, Director General, Royal Civil Service Commission, Bhutan

Comments and Questions

*This session will be dedicated to discussing the harmonization of the proposed new SoE, find agreement on the new standards, establish mechanisms and criteria for their evaluation (including how they might impact accreditation), implementation, and how to be disseminated around the world.*



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12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch break**

14:00 – 15:30 **Expert Dialogue 6: Mainstreaming the SoE in the Curriculum of Schools and Institutes of Administration**

- Dr. Najat Zarrouk, President, IASIA
- Ms. Ludmilla Gojdosova, NISPAcee
- Dr. Ludeki Chweya, KSG
- Dr. Joao Salis Gomes, ICAPA/IASIA
- Dr. Alex Brillantes, EROPA
- Dr. Ra'ed Bin Shams, President, IIAS

This session will pay particular attention to strategies and methodologies to mainstream the updated SoE to the curriculum of schools and institutes of administration, ensuring that the SDGs are at the centre, review network and peer-to-peer learning and knowledge sharing opportunities, and the role of associations in promoting the adaptation and use of the new and revised SoE.

Moderator: TBC

15:30 – 16:00 **Conclusions and Next Steps**

- Mr. Juwang Zhu, Director, Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government (DPIDG/UN DESA)
- Dr. Najat Zarrouk, President, International Association of Schools and Institutes of Administration (IASIA)

Moderator: TBC