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UNPAN NEWS HEADLINES

UN Seeks Nominations for 2005 Public Service Awards

Nominations for the 2005 UNITED NATIONS PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS are now being accepted. Awards will be given in three categories:

- Improving transparency, accountability, and responsiveness in the Public Service
- Improving the delivery of services
- Application of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Government: (e-Government)

The deadline for submission of nominations is 31 December 2004. Details on the awards, eligibility, and the nomination process are available on the UNPAN web site in all six official UN languages. Nomination forms in the six official languages can also be found online at the same address.

URL: http://www.unpan.org/dpepa_psaward2005.asp

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NEWS FROM ARADO

Arab Administrative Development Organization (ARADO) http://www.arado.org.eg

ARADO Recruits New UNPAN Project Coordinator

ARADO recently announced the selection of **Mme. Dalia Nassar** as UNPAN Project Coordinator, under the supervision of **Dr. Zain Abd El Hady.**

ARADO Holds Regional Conference on E-Government

ARADO organised a regional conference on security and information transparency in e-government in the Arab world last month. The event, which served as a follow-up to ARADO's workshop on standards of building an e-government took place in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt. Visit http://www.arado.org.eg for more details.

Recent Publications

 Arabic Journal for Management and Information Technology (ARADO will post the inaugural issue of this serial on its <u>web site</u> this month.)

Conference Information M-Gov and E-Gov in the Arab World

Date: October 2005 Location: Cairo, Egypt

URL: http://www.arado.org.eg

NEWS FROM ASPA

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) http://www.aspanet.org

ASPA President Appoints Klingner to New International Coordinator Position

During its semiannual meeting held in September, ASPA's National Council voted to establish the position of International Coordinator. Effective immediately, this person is to be appointed annually by the ASPA President from among the members of the National Council, with responsibilities for working with ASPA leadership and staff to develop, coordinate, communicate, monitor and evaluate ASPA's international programs and policies. President **Cheryle Broom** announced her appointment of **Donald Klingner**, professor in the Graduate School of Public Affairs at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, as the inaugural International Coordinator. If you have any questions about ASPA's international activities, please contact Klingner directly at **Donald.Klingner@uccs.edu**.

ASPA Staff Meet with FORMEZ Representatives

In October, ASPA Executive Director **Antoinette Samuel** and Senior Director **Erik Bergrud** met with representatives of Centro di Formazione Studi (FORMEZ), the Italian governmental think tank and training institute based in Rome. Meeting attendees will explore opportunities for formalizing ties between the two associations.

Recent Publications

- Ethics Today Fall 2004 issue
- PA TIMES October issue
- Public Administration Review September/October issue

Conference Information

66th Annual ASPA National Conference

Theme: "Advancing Public Service Performance: Innovations in Research and Practice"

Dates: 2-5 April 2005

Location: Milwaukee, WI, USA

Contact: Leslie Fain E-Mail: Ifain@aspanet.org

URL: http://www.aspanet.org/scriptcontent/index aspaconference.cfm

NEWS FROM CAFRAD

African Training and Research Centre in Administration for Development (CAFRAD)

http://www.cafrad.org

CAFRAD Develops Strategic Plan

Further to the decisions of the 42nd Meeting of the Governing Board and Executive Committee of CAFRAD, held between 14 and 15 June 2004 in Tangier, Morocco, CAFRAD is preparing a comprehensive Strategic Plan titled "New Strategy for the Redynamization of CAFRAD."

CAFRAD Co-Sponsors Consultative Meeting in South Africa

CAFRAD, UNDESA and the Uganda Management Institute (UMI) organised in Johannesburg, South Africa between 27 September and 1 October 2004, a Consultative Meeting on Public Sector Leadership Capacity Development in African Countries. The overall objective of the meeting was to review a draft leadership capacity development program, finalise and submit it to the Chairperson of the Pan African Conference of Ministers of Civil Service.

URL: <u>www.cafrad.org/Workshops/Leadership_Johannesburg_2004/consultative_meeting_on_public_s.htm</u>

Recent Publications

CAFRAD Web News Letter - Issue 18

Conference Information

Regional Workshop on e-Governance to Enhance Reforms and Public Service Performance in Africa

Theme: This workshop is being organized by CAFRAD and the Government of Ghana as a follow-up to the "e-Africa 2002: Regional Workshop on Building e-Governance Capacity in Africa"

Dates: 22-25 November 2004 Location: Accra. Ghana

URL: http://www.unpan.org/directory/conference/guest/browseoneconference.asp?conference_id =1761

NEWS FROM CAIMED

Centre for Administrative Innovation in the Euro-Mediterranean Region (CAIMED) http://www.caimed.org

Recent Publications

CAIMED has released and uploaded on the UNPAN web site the first eleven papers from the series, *Policies for Business in the Mediterranean Countries*. Currently available:

- Albania
- Cvprus
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Egypt
- Lebanon
- Libya
- Morocco
- Serbia and Montenegro
- Slovenia
- Syria
- Turkey

NEWS FROM CHIAP

International Centre of Innovation and Exchange in Public Administration (CIIIAP) http://www.flem.org.br/ciiiap

CIIIAP Hosts Angolan Delegation

The International Centre of Innovation and Exchange in Public Administration (CIIIAP) hosted a delegation from Angola government on 5 October, which was comprised of high officials from MAPESS - the Ministry of Public Administration, Employment and Social Security. The visit to Bahia (Brazil) has occurred under the scope of the REFORPA Project (Public Administration Institutional capacity development). The aim of the mission was to share experiences on public administration capacity building and public service delivery such as SAC Centers (Citizen Assistance Service).

CIIIAP Organises South African Mission

CIIIAP organised a South African mission to Bahia on 14 October. The South African delegation was comprised of 25 members, from different public agencies and from the City of Cape Town. During the mission, they have visit the Citizen Attendance Service – SAC, the Police Attendance Service – SAP, The Bahia State Information Technology Agency, the Federal University of Bahia and the Luís Eduardo Magalhães Foundation. There have been identified several programmes in which there might be co-operation projects. It was decided that both countries' will be coming to an understanding on how to achieve the subsequent diplomatic agreements.

CIIIAP Will Organise Gender and Poverty Videconference on 5 November

CIIIAP, the Centre of Interdisciplinary Studies on Women (NEIM) and the Bahia State Department for Fighting Poverty and Social Inequality are organising on 5 November from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. local time a videoconference on "Alternatives Models of Capacity Building for Rural Micro

Companies." Promoted by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture and the Global Development Learning Network (GDLN), the conference is part of the International Series of Global Dialogues, named "Gender Perspective to Strengthen Small and Micro Companies and Sustainable Credit," composed of four videoconferences that happen one per month, from September to December 2004. Six countries are participating of the series: Brazil, Costa Rica, Colombia, Equator, Mexico and Panama.

NEWS FROM CLAD

Latin American Centre for Development Administration (CLAD) http://www.clad.org.ve

IX International Congress of CLAD on State and Public Administration Reform

Dates: 2-5 November 2004 Location: Madrid, Spain E-mail: clad@clad.org.ve

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/congreso/congri.html

More than 500 papers will be presented, gathering 114 Panels and three Plenary Conferences, as a demonstration of the interest that CLAD's Congress raises, based on the success of the eighth previous editions. During the event, CLAD will host a meeting of the Academic Networks it coordinates: Red de Postgrados en Administración y Políticas Públicas (REDAPP) o de la Red de Escuelas e Institutos Gubernamentales en Asuntos Públicos (REIGAP).

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/redes.html

Innovations and Tendencies in E-Government in Latin America

A new SIARE section has been created, presenting the results of a research based on payment of high public executives, focusing on 15 countries.

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/siare/innotend/remunera.html

XVIII Concurso del CLAD sobre Reforma del Estado y Modernización de la Administración Pública (2004 - 2005)

Theme: "Cómo combatir la corrupción, garantizar la transparencia y rescatar la ética en la gestión gubernamental en Iberoamérica"

For additional information, please contact CLAD at concu18@clad.org.ve or visit http://www.clad.org.ve/concurso/concuxviii.html.

Recent Publications

Política y Gestión. Buenos Aires: Fondo de Cultura Económica; CLAD, 2004.- 217 p. The book presents the last work of CLAD's Scientific Council. It includes the following chapters:

- Luiz Carlos Bresser-Pereira: La restricción económica y la democrática
- Nuria Cunill Grau: La democratización de la Administración Pública. Los mitos a vencer
- Leonardo Garnier: El espacio de la política en la gestión pública
- Oscar Oszlak: Privatización y capacidad de regulación estatal: una aproximación teórico-metodológica
- Adam Przeworski: Política y administración

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/libropoliticaygestion.html

CLAD's Journal Reforma y Democracia

The 30th edition contains the following articles:

- Edgar Morin: ¿Podemos reformar la administración pública?
- Allen Schick: El Estado que rinde: reflexiones sobre una idea a la que le ha llegado la hora, pero cuya implantación aún está pendiente
- Ludolfo Paramio: Reforma política y reforma del Estado
- Miguel Ángel Porrúa Vigón: Gobierno electrónico: conceptos y avances
- Fernando Straface: Premios a la Innovación Gubernamental: un análisis comparado
- Enrique Saravia: Regulación en Argentina y Brasil. Análisis comparativo de los modelos institucionales
- Cristina Zurbriggen: Redes, actores e instituciones
- Carlos Pérez-Brito: Participación para el desarrollo: un acercamiento desde tres perspectivas

CLAD's Association Members for 2004 are entitled to receive free of charge numbers 28, 29 and 30 of this journal. Subscription conditions, abstract, and full text version of previous numbers are available on CLAD's web site.

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/reforma.html

NEWS FROM CPSI

Centre for Public Service Innovation (CPSI) http://www.cpsi.co.za

2004 CPSI Innovation Award Winners Announced

The 2nd annual CPSI innovation awards were conferred on 31 August 2004 in Johannesburg, South Africa. Awards were conferred in six categories:

- Public Sector Innovator of the Year:
- Innovative partnerships in service delivery;
- Innovative use of information technology for effective service delivery;
- Innovative service delivery institutions:
- Innovative enhancements on internal systems within government; and
- Innovative service delivery projects involving the South African government in partnership with other SADC governments.

Visit the CPSI web site for more information on the winners. Case studies of six of the projects are currently being compiled and will be available on the CPSI web site and UNPAN portal by the end of 2004.

URL: http://www.cpsi.co.za/templates/file_template_37.asp

CPSI Acts as Resource for First Africa-wide Governance and Public Administration Knowledge Exchange Workshop

Following on from the 4th Pan-African Conference of Ministers of Public Service, held within the framework of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), a Pan-African "Governance and Public Administration" capacity development programme was adopted. The programme includes the establishment of a series of knowledge exchanges on various of focus. The first workshop, held on 27-28 September 2004 focused on Public Sector Restructuring and Human Resource Management. A workshop report is being compiled and will be posted on the CPSI web site and UNPAN portal.

CPSI Launches Research Report on Donor Supported Public Sector Reform in Africa

On 30 September 2004, CPSI launched a report looking at the magnitude and areas of focus for donor support in the area of public sector reform. The report was compiled within the context of the Africa-wide Governance and Public Administration programme and was compiled to enable both African countries and donor agencies to make more informed decisions on donor support. The report is accompanied by a database that allows the user to get detailed information on donor support on a range of variables including country, area of focus, donor agency, etc. The database was compiled using a variety of information sources and is being made available publicly to enable a variety of parties to interrogate the information and correct any mistakes and inadequacies.

NEWS FROM DPADM

Division for Public Administration and Development Management, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DPADM/UNDESA) http://www.unpan.org/dpepa.asp

Recent Publications

Governance World Watch

Conference Information

Subregional Workshop for Southeast Asia on the Poverty/Environment Nexus

Theme: Networking and Capacity-Building for Poverty Alleviation through Community-Based Development in the Areas Affected by Environmental Degradation. Participants from Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam will undertake a strategic visioning exercise, formulate the National Action Plan for each country, and outline a subregional facility for monitoring and evaluation.

Dates: 8-10 November 2004 Location: Bangkok, Thailand

Contact: Mr. Yoshinobu Yonekawa, Division for Public Administration and Development Management,

United Nations

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Regional Forum on Revitalizing Government in South Asia - Public-Sector Capacity and Globalization

Theme: Good practices and innovative approaches in revitalizing government and strengthening publicsector capacity to further the agenda of the countries with respect to globalization and the United Nations Millennium Development Goals

Dates:13-15 December 2004 Location: Hyderabad, India

Contact: Ms. Nahleen Ahmed, Division for Public Administration and Development Management, United

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NEWS FROM ECE

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

http://www.unece.org

Recent Publications

The CD-ROM "Norms, Standards and Practices for International Business," prepared by the UNECE Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development, provides an overview of UNECE recommendations, norms and standards in the areas of:

- Trade Facilitation and e-Business
- Agricultural Quality Standards
- International Legal and Commercial Practice
- Technical Harmonization and Standardization Policy
- International Commercial Arbitration
- Trade Policy and Promotion
- Industry and Enterprise Development

The CD-ROM offers a three-language (English, French and Russian) interface and search engine, and most of the documents are available in three languages. Its content and multilingual features make this CD-ROM an excellent reference tool for countries in with economies in transition, developing countries and, in particular, for local, regional and national authorities in charge of developing a favourable environment for trade, industry and enterprise development.

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Conference Information

The UNECE Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards (60th session)

Theme: The Working Party and its four Specialized Sections facilitate trade by setting internationally harmonized commercial quality standards for fresh fruit and vegetables, dry and dried produce, seed potatoes, meat, eggs and egg products and cut flowers

Dates: 8 - 10 November 2004

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

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URL: http://www.unece.org/trade/agr/meetings/wp.07/a2004 60.htm

Annual Session of the Working Party on Regulatory Cooperation and Standardization Policies

Theme: The purpose of the session is to discus latest regulatory, standardization and conformity

assessment developments in Europe following the expansion of the European Union, regional and sectoral regulatory convergence projects, national and regional regulatory priorities and other issues

Dates: 22-24 November 2004

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

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URL: http://www.unece.org/trade/tips/wp6/wp6 h.htm

Workshop on Trade Facilitation

Dates: 22-24 November 2004

Location: The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation, Moscow, St. Ilyinka, 6,

Russian Federation

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URL: http://www.unece.org/trade/workshop/moscow 1104/wkshop h.htm

International Workshop on Quality Benchmarking

Theme: The purpose of the Workshop is to attract the attention of policy makers to the importance of quality assurance schemes as one of the tools to increase the quality of goods and services at a local level and to improve the competitiveness of companies on their export markets

Date: 23 November 2004

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

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URL: http://www.unece.org/trade/tips/wp6/wp6_h.htm

Meeting of the UNE Telecom Task Force

Theme: The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the status of the UNECE "Telecom Initiative" project aimed at harmonization of technical regulations for a number of most popular portable telecom products (GSM, IMT-2000, Wireless LAN, Bluetooth, Personal Computers, Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) Modem

Dates: 25 November 2004

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

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URL: http://www.unece.org/trade/tips/wp6/wp6 h.htm

Beijing +10: UNECE Regional Preparatory Meeting for the 10-year review of Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action (Beijing +10)

Dates: 14-15 December 2004

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

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URL: http://www.unece.org/oes/gender/beijing10.htm

2005 UNECE Seminar

Theme: Financing for Development in the ECE Region: Promoting Growth in Low-income Transition

Economies

Date: 21 February 2005

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

Contact: Jaromir Cekota Tel.: +41 22 917 2445

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URL: http://www.unece.org/ead/ead_sprin_sem_new.htm

NEWS FROM EROPA

Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration (EROPA)

http://www.eropa.org.ph

EROPA Holds 50th Executive Council Meeting and Seminar

The Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration recently concluded its 50th Executive Council Meeting and Seminar on "Globalization, Security and Development" on 8 October in the Hotel Kitano Tusitala, Apia, Samoa. 122 individuals from 25 countries participated in the seminar, discussing and sharing lessons and experiences in the context of globalisation and the issues of security and development throughout the Asia and the Pacific region. The seminar was hosted by the Government of Samoa, through the Samoa Public Service Commission.

Recent Publications

- Asian Review of Public Administration (July December 2002, Volume XIV, Number 2)
- Asian Review of Public Administration (January December 2003, Volume XV, Numbers 1-2 - Special Issue on Enhancing Public-Private Collaboration in Public Service Delivery)
- The EROPA Bulletin (January June 2004) available soon via the UNPAN web site

Conference Information

6th Global Forum on Reinventing Government (hosted by the Republic of Korea, one of the State Members of EROPA)

Theme: "Toward Participatory and Transparent Governance"

Dates: 24-27 May 2005 Location: Seoul, Korea

Contact: Secretariat for the 6th Global Forum on Reinventing Government

Address: Room 1005, Leema Building, Susong-dong, Jongno-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea (Zip code:

110-755)

Tel.: +82-2-3703-2963, 2968 Fax: +82-2-3703-2960 E-mail: forum6@mogaha.go.kr URL: http://www.6thglobalforum.org

International Conference on Engaging Communities

Theme: This conference will examine contemporary practice, evidence and theory around community engagement from around the word, and the issues in opening a dialogue and maintaining productive relationships between governments/organizations and citizens/clients and other stakeholders.

Dates: 14-17 August 2005

Location: Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Queensland, Australia

Contact: International Conference on Engaging Communities

Postal Address: International Conference on Engaging Communities, P.O. Box 104, RBH Post Office,

Queensland 4029 Australia Tel: +61 (0) 7 3854 1611 Fax: +61 (0) 7 3854 1507

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URL: http://www.engagingcommunities2005.org

NEWS FROM IIAS

International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)

http://www.iiasiisa.be/iias/aiacc.htm

Recent Publications

The Institutional Arrangements for Water Management (19th and 20th Centuries)

edited by **Jos Raadschelders** Distribution: IOS Press, 2004.

for more information: www.iospress.nl

Distribution IOS Press

Nieuwe Hemweg 6B, 1013 BG Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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Conference Information EGPA Annual Conference

Theme: "Reforming the Public Sector: What about the Citizens?"

Dates: 31 August - 3 September 2005

Location: Bern, Switzerland

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IIAS 3rd Specialised International Conference on "Public Administration and Private Enterprise: Co-operation, Competition and Regulation"

Workshops

1. Co-operation and Partnership of Public Administration and Private Enterprise: economic chances, constitutional and political objections? Rapporteur: **lan**

Thynne, Professor of Governance, Charles Darwin University, Australia

- 2. Regulation: the concept and its enforcement. Experiences made by regulatory agencies in different states. Rapporteur: **Michel Franc**, Président de Section au Conseil d'Etat, France
- 3. Competition, Co-operation and Conflict in the Field of Public Services. Rapporteur: **Beate Weber**, Mayor of the City of Heidelberg, Germany
- 4. Regulatory Powers of National Governments in a Globalized Economy.

Rapporteur: Claudius Bamidele Olowu, Principal Governance Adviser, African

Development Bank (to be confirmed)

Dates: 19-23 September 2005

Location: Berlin, Germany, at the Maritim ProArte-Hotel Contact: Catherine Coninckx, Director of Scientific Affairs

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URL: http://www.iiasiisa.be/iias/aiberlin/aiberlin.htm and http://www.iias-Berlin-2005.de

NEWS FROM IPAC

Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) Institut d'administration publique du Canada (IAPC) http://www.ipac.ca (English)

http://www.iapc.ca (French)

IPAC Annual Conference

The 54th annual IPAC conference in Vancouver was a delightful success. For the second year in a row participants who completed evaluation forms rated the event as good or excellent. Featuring thoughtful speakers and great venues, the organizers have a right to be proud of their accomplishments. Close to 500 people attended. A legacy web site for the conference has been created. For more details, visit http://www.ipac.ca/events/archives/vancouver-2004 conference.html

IPAC 2004 Awards

Vancouver was a great place to win awards!

Vanier Medal: Mr. Guy Coulombe, a long serving civil servant in the Province of Québec. The medal will be awarded to Mr. Coulombe by Her Excellency Adrienne Clarkson at a special ceremony at Rideau Hall on 30 November.

IPAC Award for Innovative Management: The theme this year was "Pulling Against Gravity: Horizontal Collaboration." The winners were announced by a member of this year's jury, **Prof. John Langford:**

Gold: The Vancouver Agreement

Silver: Nova Scotia Sustainable Communities Initiative

Bronze: Ontario Public Service Horizontal Collaboration Initiative Executive

Summaries with contact coordinates of all 97 submissions are available on the IPAC web site. For more details, visit http://www.ipac.ca/awards/innovation/index.html.

Pierre De Celles-IPAC Award for Teaching Excellence: Prof. Rodney Schneck, School of Business, University of Alberta (for more details, visit http://www.ipac.ca/awards/decelles/index.html)

Recent Publications

- Building Commitment: A Handbook for Public Sector Managers (2004) Visit http://www.ipac.ca/pubs/ipac_publications/index.html to read a description.
- Michael McConkey and Patrice Dutil (eds.), <u>Making Connections: Municipal Governance Priorities Today</u> (Toronto: IPAC New Directions 13, 2004).

Conference Information

The Art and Science of Surveying Public Sector Workers

Theme: "A workshop of the IPAC 'Making government the best place to work' initiative"

Date: 15 November 2004 Location: Toronto, Canada Contact: Patrice Dutil

Tel.: +1-416-924-8787 ext. 228

E-mail: pdutil@ipac.ca

URL: http://www.ipac.ca/events/art and science of ps employee surveys.html

International Brainstorm: The Regulatory State of Tomorrow

Theme: "A roundtable of prestigious scholars from around the world gathering to discuss the future of

regulatory governance"

Dates: 13-14 December 2004

Location: Toronto, Canada

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URL: http://www.smarttape.ca/working_on/program.html

NEWS FROM IPMA-HR

International Public Management Association for Human Resources (IPMA-HR) http://www.ipma-hr.org

IPMA-HR Executive Director Participates un UN Expert Group Meeting

IPMA-HR's Executive Director, **Neil Reichenberg**, presented a paper on best practices in diversity management at the UN-sponsored <u>Ad Hoc Expert Group Meeting on Managing Diversity in the Civil Service</u>.

URL: http://unpan1.un.org/intradoc/groups/public/documents/un/unpan000715.pd

Recent Publications

Recent IPMA-HR Publications

Conference Information

IPMA-HR FMLA and ADA Audio Conference

Date: 9 November 2004 Contact: Shannon Adaway E-Mail: sadaway@ipma-hr.org

URL: http://www.ipma-hr.org/index.cfm?navid=75

IPMA-HR Federal Section Conference

Theme: "HR-Strategic Partners in the Mission of Government"

Dates: 18-19 November 2004 Location: Washington, DC, USA Contact: Shannon Adaway E-Mail: sadaway@ipma-hr.org

URL: http://www.ipma-hr.org/fedconf.htm

NEWS FROM RCOCI

Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization (RCOCI) http://www.apcity.org

RCOCI as Part of the World Bank Development Gateway China Program

The Development Gateway China Program was kicked off on 13 September through a videoconference attended by participants in Beijing and Washington representing the Ministry of Finance, State Council Informatization Office, Development Gateway Foundation and World Bank, as well as local donors including China Gateway, Gansu Information Center, RCOCI under the Shanghai Informatization Committee, and China Economic Information Center under the State Information Center. China joined the Foundation as a Founding Member in May 2002. The China Gateway portal attracts about 50,000 visitors each month. In April 2004, China signed an agreement to contribute \$1 million in cash and \$4 million in kind to the Foundation. The non-cash contribution consists of the operation of the China Development Gateway; establishment and operation of a Research and Training Center in Gansu; establishment and operation of a Research Center in Shanghai; and organization of an Information and Communication Technologies Asia Forum.

Preparations for CIAPR V are Making Good Progress

Claiming to be the highest-level event of its kind and with substantial achievements, CIAPR is drawing more and more attention and has won worldwide recognition as well. "We, the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs," says **Mr. Guido Bertucci,** Director of DPADM, UNDESA, "are very much encouraged by the consecutive holdings of the High-Level Forum on City Informatization in the Asia-Pacific Region, because such initiatives, under an overall international cooperation framework, can promote synergies and coherence of the efforts being directed to expand the development impact of ICT, city informatization and e-government." Now, preparations for the 5th Global Forum on City Informatization in the Asia-Pacific Region (CIAPR V) are well under way. This forum is scheduled to take place in late May 2005 in Shanghai.

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Recent Publications

- Asia-Pacific City Informatization Bulletin, Autumn 2004, Issue 7
- Asia-Pacific City Informatization Bulletin, Winter 2004, Issue 8
- <u>Documents Delivered at the 4th Annual Forum on City Informatization in Asia-</u> Pacific Region (CIAPR IV), 20-22 May 2004, Shanghai, China
- Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, August 2004, Issue 33
- Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, September 2004, Issue 34
- Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, October 2004, Issue 35

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UNCRD Completed On-Line Forum on Community Based Disaster Management UNCRD has successfully completed the On-Line Forum on community based disaster management (CBDM) started from 13 September to 6 October 2004. The collection of voices will be disseminated at the next-year's UN World Conference on Disaster Reduction (WCDR) (18 -22 January 2005) in Kobe, Japan.

UNCRD Will Hold Thirty-Third International Training Course in Regional Development

UNCRD will hold its Thirty-Third International Training Course in Regional Development (ITC) from 19 May to 29 June 2005. The Course, which is UNCRD's flagship training course, represents all the training experiences and know-how accumulated during the Centre's thirty-three year history. The six-week Course will deliver the expected outcomes through a compact programme replete with cases for study and discussion, as well as field study visits to provide insights into Japan's regional development experience. UNCRD does not charge fees for participation in the Course, but provides entitlements including airfare, living allowances and medical expenses for the duration of the Course. Such entitlements are limited to ten only, so externally-funded participants are welcomed. Please note that those applicants with financial support from UNPAN partners will be given higher priority in the screening process for the Course. In those cases where the applicant has obtained financial support from UNPAN partners, a letter explicitly stating the sponsoring organization and the coverage of expenses must accompany his/her application form. In parallel, the funding agency should send a letter of endorsement to UNCRD to confirm that the applicant has been awarded financial support. The deadline for application to ITC 33 is 24 December 2004.

URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/tr/index_itc.html

Recent Publications

- UNCRD Annual Report 2003
- UNCRD Newsletter, No. 57, January-June 2004
- Regional Development Dialogue (RDD), Vol. 24, No. 2, Autumn 2003 (Contents only) "Reflections on 'Human Security Now"

Conference Information

Second Action Planning Workshop for Integrated Regional Development Management in Medellín-Antioquia

Theme: Regional Development and Planning

Dates: 21-23 October 2004 Location: Medellín, Colombia

Contact: UNCRD Project Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

Tel: (+57-1) 629-2808 / 2819 Fax: (+57-1) 629-2785 E-mail: uncrdla@uncrdlac.org

URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/wha/index.html#041021lac medellin

Training Workshop on Regional Development Planning and Plan Preparation in Kwale District and Mombasa Mainland South, Kenya

Theme: Regional development planning

Dates: 27-29 October 2004 Location: Mombasa, Kenya Contact: UNCRD Africa Office Tel: (+254-20) 624674/ 624375

Fax: (+254-20) 624480

E-mail: admin.uncrd@undp.org

URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/wha/index.html#041027africa_mombasa

National Workshop in Mongolia

Theme: Community Based Disaster Management (CBDM)

Date: 28 October 2004

Location: Ulaan Baatar, Mongolia

Contact: Disaster Management Planning Hyogo Office

Tel: +81-78-262-5560 Fax: +81-78-262-5568 E-mail: rep@hyogo.uncrd.or.jp

URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/wha/index.html#041028hyogo_mongolia

Improvised Shake Table Demonstration in Bam, Iran

Theme: Earthquake disaster-resistant housing

Date: 31 October 2004

Location: Model House Exhibition, Bam, Iran

Contact: Disaster Management Planning Hyogo Office

Tel: +81-78-262-5560 Fax: +81-78-262-5568 E-mail: rep@hyogo.uncrd.or.jp

URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/wha/index.html#041031hyogo iran

Three promotional workshops of the training course under the Project on Human Security and Regional Development in Latin America and the Caribbean

Theme: Human security and cooperation Dates: November 2004 - December 2004

Locations: Córdoba (Argentina); Bogotá (Colombia), Guatemala City (Guatemala)

Contact: UNCRD Project Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

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Policy Workshop on Sustainable Livelihoods and Human Security

Theme: Human security and sustainable livelihoods

Dates: 4-8 November 2004

Location: Ochha and New Delhi, India Contact: Human Security Group, UNCRD Tel: +81-52-561-9529 (HS) / 9377 (general) Fax: +81-52-561-9458 (HS) / 8375 (general)

E-mail: hs_group@uncrd.or.jp

URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/hs/04e_slpolicyws/index.html

Human Security Workshop

Theme: Human security and cooperation

Date: 24 November 2004 Location: Nagoya, Japan

Contact: Human Security Group, UNCRD Tel: +81-52-561-9529 (HS) / 9377 (general) Fax: +81-52-561-9458 (HS) / 8375 (general)

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Sixth In-Country Training Course on Local Development Planning and Management: Focus on Training of Trainers (TOT)

Theme: Local development, human security, and training of trainers

Dates: 6-17 December 2004 Location: Vientiane, Lao PDR

Contact: Human Security Group, UNCRD Tel: + 81-52-561-9529 (HS) / 9377 (general) Fax: +81-52-561-9458 (HS) / 8375 (general)

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