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NEWS FROM ARADO

Arab Administrative Development Organization (ARADO)

<http://www.arado.org.eg>

University of Warsaw Provides Translation Support to ARADO

In collaboration with the University of Warsaw, Poland, ARADO's integrated library system (WebLIS) has been translated and is available on the Arabic version of the site.

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/libcat>

The Arab Administrative Development Organization Portal (Ibda'a)

The Arab Administrative Development organization Portal (Ibda'a) is one of the most important projects launched by ARADO in the field of information technology. Moreover, it is considered a pioneer project in the Arab world that is aimed

at publishing electronically the Arab distinguished work in the administrative field. The Portal comprises various integrated databases produced to present to the Arab readers more than half a million pages in the administration field. This number will be increased by 10% to 30% after publishing more specialised periodicals in the management field.

URL: <http://www.aradoportal.org.eg>

Recent Publications

- [ARADO's Recent Publications](#)

Conference Information

First Arab Conference Holaladb in the Information Age (novel, poetry, story-knowing)

Dates: 30 July - 3 August 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: dalian23@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10033>

Forum on Roles in the Development of University and Community Service

Dates: 30 July - 3 August 2006

City: Alexandria, Egypt

E-mail: aelgendy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=10341>

Forum on Replacement Strategies, Policies and the Composition of the Second Tier of Administrative Leadership

Dates: 30 July - 3 August 2006

City: Damascus, Syria

E-mail: alialam@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=10017>

Conference on E-Government Accounting

Dates: 6-9 August 2006

Location: Amman, Jordan

E-mail: h-afifi@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10387>

Conference on the Arab Media and the Internet

Dates: 6-10 August 2006

City: Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt

E-mail: saraty@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10324>

Symposium on Pension Funds, Managing Savings and Social Insurance

Dates: 13-17 August 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: a_husein@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=N&id=1091>

Arab Distinguished Director Workshop

Dates: 13-17 August 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: aelgendy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=W&id=1092>

Strategic Planning Workshop

Dates: 13-17 August 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: mkenawy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=W&id=1093>

Fifth Arab Forum on Consultancy and Training

Dates: 20-24 August 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: aelgendy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=1089>

First Arab Forum for Restructuring of Financial Institutions in the Light of Contemporary Challenges

Dates: 20-24 August 2006

City: Damascus, Syria

E-mail: aelgendy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=10353>

Fifth Annual Conference Albeihaltenmeh Sustainable Management from the Perspective of International Aghtassadialtjarh and Their Impact on Sustainable Development

Dates: 27-31 August 2006

Location: Tunisia

E-mail: aya_diaa@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10027>

Seventh General Annual Conference of Creativity and Innovation in Administration (Management and the Challenges of the Arab Millennium Development Goals)

Dates: 27-31 August 2006

Location: Lebanon

E-mail: nauuaf@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10019>

Workshop on Digital Transformation of Traditional Systems in the Archives to Information Systems in Government and the Private Sector

Dates: 27-31 August 2006

City: Alexandria, Egypt

E-mail: asmaa_q@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=W&id=10386>

Forum on Management Development of Small and Medium-sized Projects in the Arab World

Dates: 10-14 September 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: mkenawy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=1095>

Symposium on Information Systems in the Field of Petroleum and Petroleum Refining

Dates: 10-14 September 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: h-afifi@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=N&id=10352>

Symposium on the Impact of Information Technology on the Job Description for Employees

Dates: 17-21 September 2006

City: Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt

E-mail: h-afifi@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=N&id=10355>

Forum on the Role in the Arithmetic of Integrity and Transparency

Dates: 4-8 November 2006

City: Sharjah, U.A.E.

E-mail: mkenawy@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=10021>

Forum III on Modern Methods to Streamline the Organizational Structures of Government

Dates: 19-23 November 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: alialam@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=1102>

Symposium to Explore the Future of Organizations during the Next Quarter Century

Dates: 19-23 November 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: dalian23@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=N&id=1105>

First Arab Forum on Internet Policies and Communications Services (Impact of the Information Society in the Arab Governmental Systems)

Dates: 26-30 November 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: h-afifi@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=10040>

Second International Conference on the Law of the Internet-based Procedural Criminal Law Via the Internet

Dates: 27-30 November 2006

Location: Malta

E-mail: dalian23@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10123>

Fifth Annual Conference of the Arab Information Technology Experience in E-Government

Dates: 3-7 December 2006

City: Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt

E-mail: dalian23@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10023>

First Arab Forum on Electronic Terrorism

Dates: 3-7 December 2006

City: Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt

E-mail: saraty@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=10039>

Fifth Arab Conference on Modern Methods to Achieve Excellence in the Management of Hospitals

Dates: 4-7 December 2006

Location: Lebanon

E-mail: alialam@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=C&id=10358>

Forum on Investment in the Structure of Information and Knowledge

Dates: 17-21 December 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: asmaa_g@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=M&id=1109>

Symposium on Information Systems in Banks and Banks Via the Internet (Issues and Solutions)

Dates: 17-23 December 2006

City: Cairo, Egypt

E-mail: saraty@arado.org.eg

URL: <http://www.arado.org.eg/AradoActivitiesDetails.asp?type=N&id=1112>

NEWS FROM ASPA

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)

<http://www.aspanet.org>

ASPA Announces Section on Chinese Public Administration (SCPA)

ASPA recently created this new section to strengthen exchanges with China in the field of public administration and explore areas of cooperation. SCPA offers opportunities to participate in scholarly and professional exchanges with China, including national, international, and regional conferences, panels and workshops, and publication of proceedings and access to the English-language version of the *Chinese Public Administration Review (CPAR)* and other SCPA publications. For more information on SCPA, please contact **Prof. Marc Holzer** at mholzer@pipeline.com.

ASPA Hosts Chinese Delegation

In June, ASPA hosted a delegation from the National Academy of Social Science (NASS), a social science think tank visiting from China. The delegation met with ASPA Executive Director **Antoinette A. Samuel** and Senior Director **Matt Rankin**. Discussions included an overview of ASPA, government administration, public service, ethical standards for government employees and involving the public in decision-making.

Recent Publications

- [The Bridge - July 11, 2006 issue](#)
- [PA TIMES - July issue](#)
- [Public Administration Review - July/August issue](#)

Conference Information

2006 Southeastern Conference for Public Administration (SECoPA) Conference

Theme: "Bridging Theory, Policy, and Practice"

Dates: 27–30 September 2006

Location: Athens, Georgia, USA

Organising Institutes: The American Society for Public Administration, Georgia Chapter of ASPA, the University of Georgia, and Athens-Clarke County, Georgia

E-mail: registration@secopa2006.org

URL: <http://www.secopa2006.org>

2006 International Conference on Public Administration (2nd ICPA)

Theme: "Government Innovation and Reform"

Dates: 5-6 October 2006

Location: Warwick University, Coventry, UK

Organising Institutes: University of Electronic Science and Technology of China, Institute of Governance and Public Management of Business School of University of Warwick, UK, International Institute of Administrative Sciences, American Society for Public Administration, School of Public Administration of Moscow State University, Russia.

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URL: <http://www.aspanet.org/scriptcontent/icpa.cfm>

NEWS FROM CGG

Centre for Good Governance (CGG)

<http://www.cgg.gov.in>

Recent Publications

Recently, the Centre for Good Governance in the capacity of National Implementing Agency for Gol-UNDP Capacity Building for Access to Information Project in India has published the following documents – they are available on the UNPAN web site.

- [*A Manual for Public Authorities, Information Officers & Appellate Authorities*](#)
- [*Guide on Right to Information for Civil Society Organisations*](#)
- [*Guide on Right to Information for Media*](#)
- [*Annual Report of the Information Commission – A Guide*](#)

Other documents uploaded on the UNPAN network are:

- [*Social Audit - A Toolkit*](#)
- [*Handbook for Change Agents*](#)
- [*Right to Information Act, 2005 \(India\)*](#)
- [*An Implementation Guide for Process Redesign in Government Departments*](#)

Conference Information

Dissemination Workshop on Community Scorecards piloted in Andhra Pradesh, India

Theme: "Community Scorecards as a Social Accountability Tool"

Date: 12 August 2006

City: Vishakapatnam, AP, India

Contact: Vivek Misra

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NEWS FROM CLAD

Latin American Centre for Development Administration (CLAD)

<http://www.clad.org.ve>

XI International Congress of CLAD on State and Public Administration Reform

Dates: 7-10 November 2006

Location: Guatemala City, Guatemala

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

106 panel proposals were accepted. The panels will be referred to one of the following thematic areas:

1. Legal Innovations for State and Public administration Reform
Coordinator: **Luciano Parejo Alfonso**
2. Professionalisation of Civil Service
Coordinator: **Caryl Orlando Alonso Jiménez**
3. Planning, Budgeting and Evaluation by Results
Coordinator: **Sonia Ospina**

4. Public Policies and Management Models to face Poverty and Exclusion
Coordinator: **María Castro Mazariegos**
5. Local Development and Territorial Management
Coordinator: **José Antonio Samperi**
6. State and Democratic Governance
Coordinator: **Marcelo Cavarozzi**
7. Perspectives, Challenges and Innovations in Public Management
8. Academic Networks

URL: <http://www.clad.org.ve/congreso/prog11iprov.html>

During the Congress, recognized specialists will present plenary conferences, namely:

- **Enrique V. Iglesias**, Secretario General Iberoamericano, Secretaría General Iberoamericana (SEGIB)
- **Robert Wade**, Professor of Political Economy, Development Studies Institute (DESTIN), London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), "How to Make Globalisation Work Better"
- **Luiz Carlos Bresser-Pereira**, Professor da Fundação Getúlio Vargas, Brasil, "Cómo Reformar a Gestão Pública para Contribuir ao Desenvolvimento?"

The official languages of the Congress will be Spanish, Portuguese and English. During the entire Congress, one of the halls will have simultaneous translation into English.

Registration Form: http://www.clad.org.ve/congreso/registro_e.php

Consenso de Montevideo

The VIII Ibero-American Conference of Ministers on State and Public Administration Reform, within the framework of the Ibero-American Summit of Heads of State and Government took place 22-23 June 2006 in Montevideo, Uruguay. The conference included:

- ["Código Iberoamericano de Buen Gobierno"](#)
- ["Escuela Iberoamericana de Administración y Políticas Públicas"](#)

URL: <http://www.clad.org.ve/consensomontevideo.html>

Recent Publications

The 35th edition of CLAD's journal *Reforma y Democracia* contains the following articles:

- **Bernardo Kliksberg**: "Hacia una nueva generación de políticas sociales en Latinoamérica. Un análisis comparativo"
- **Eugenio Lahera P.**: "Del dicho al hecho: ¿cómo implementar las políticas?"
- **Francisco Longo**: "Oferta y demanda de gerentes públicos. Un marco de análisis de la institucionalización de la dirección pública profesional"

- **Sonia Ospina:** "Gobernanza y liderazgos para el cambio social"
- **Roberto Martínez Nogueira:** "Heterogeneidad y contingencia en los programas sociales: consecuencias para la gestión de la implementación"
- **Ladislau Dowbor:** "Redes de apoyo al desarrollo local en Brasil"
- **Eduardo Flores-Trejo:** "Derecho de acceso a la información: de la fase normativa a la valoración de su impacto"
- **Carles Ramió Matas y Oriol García Codina:** "La externalización de servicios públicos en España: la necesidad de repensar una nueva gestión pública planificada, controlada y evaluada"

CLAD's Association Members for 2006 are entitled to receive free of charge editions 34, 35 and 36 of this journal. Subscription conditions, abstracts, and a guide for contributions are available on CLAD's web site.

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

Updated sections of *SIARE* (in Spanish)

Modernisation Experiences in State Organization and Management

100 new entries of factual information gathering the most recent official actions taken in Ibero-America in fields like administrative, political, social, constitutional and labor reforms.

URL: <http://www.clad.org.ve/siare/innova/paginas/especificas/paises.html>

Bibliographical Information on State, Administration and Society

This database contains 38,112 bibliographical references (including access to 4,215 full texts) pertaining to books, documents and articles that deal with State reform, public management modernisation and public policies topics. 8,292 of the references are in English.

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/siare/biblo/en_biblo_a.html

Research and Training Activities related to Public Affairs

This database contains information about 157 undergraduate and post-graduate study opportunities - 68 doctorate, 369 masters and 241 specialization - in public administration, public policy and similar disciplines. For each reviewed course, it provides information about objectives, regularity, duration, international accreditation, scholarships and requirements, among other aspects, as a way to facilitate the decision on the part of the prospective student.

URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/siare/insti/insti_f.html

NEWS FROM CPSI

Centre for Public Service Innovation (CPSI)

<http://www.cpsi.co.za>

APSD Focuses on the Centrality of Public Servants to Delivery

The Chairperson of the Fifth Conference of the Pan-African Ministers of Public Services, Minister **Geraldine Fraser-Moleketi**, dedicated much of her annual Africa Public Service Day (APSD) speech on 23 June to thank public servants on the continent for the services they render to the people. The key objective of celebrating the Africa

Public Service Day, as the Minister Fraser-Moleketi told participants, is to consider "the working conditions of men and women who devote their lives to serve the public", adding that "these celebrations aim to ignite a positive interest by citizens in the work of public administration". The APSD initiative derives from the collaborative work of the Pan-African Ministers' programme on governance and public administration and features prominently on the calendar of the African Union. Minister Fraser-Moleketi also used the occasion to call for a more open debate on issues related to public service delivery, saying that, apart from celebrating the value of public servants, Africa Public Service Day should also be seen as "a moment of deep introspection as to re-dedicate to the fundamental notions of service and humility". On the main theme of this year's APSD -- "Building an Ethical Public Service for Improved Service Delivery in Africa" -- the Minister said "we should arrest the situation where citizens are losing faith in the legitimacy of their political and administrative authorities based on the shortfalls in meeting service delivery expectations by removing any notion of impropriety in our behaviour or use of public resources". The degree to which public service institutions embrace the values of responsiveness, accountability and integrity in responding to the needs and demands of the people is an important aspect of good governance and signifies legitimate exercise of state authority, Minister Fraser-Moleketi said. A full report of Africa Public Service Day will be posted on the UNPAN web site shortly.

Developing and Growing the Public Service through Learning and Sharing of Knowledge

The South African public service held its 5th Annual Service Delivery Learning Academy 12-14 July in Durban. The aim of the Academy is to facilitate the sharing and exchange of experiences in the public service, particularly among those officials who work in critical areas of service delivery. These are public servants who interact with people on a daily basis, a vital link in the country's service delivery chain. Over five hundred of these strategically placed public service officials attended this year's learning academy. The theme for this year Learning Academy - *Repositioning the public service for optimal service delivery within the context of accelerated and shared growth* - underscored the South African government's commitment to deepen and accelerate service delivery by helping public servants gain a deeper understanding of the developmental state. To this end, the Academy featured case studies that provided examples of working experiences where accelerated social and economic development and growth, together with a deepening of citizen involvement and participation in the service delivery chain were key drivers. Most of the presentations in both plenary and breakaway sessions, were delivered by key government officials who are currently driving economic and social development. In addition to case studies, flagship projects and initiatives geared to improve access and accountability and to position local government as an engine for growth and development at local and provincial levels, were also presented.

URL: http://www.dpsa.gov.za/ln_5thacademy.asp

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>

UN Global E-Government Knowledgebase (Kbase)

DESA/DPADM launched an interactive tool for policy makers to assess their e-government readiness in July 2006. The United Nations Global E-Government Knowledgebase (UN Kbase) is an online interactive tool for comparative analysis of the state of e-government readiness of countries around the world. The Knowledgebase provides an online user a web portal allowing policy makers and researchers and academia to easily access, view, sort and print information from the UN database on e-government readiness of 191 countries worldwide. The Knowledgebase will facilitate the creation of a network of groups and individuals interested in e-government at the international level and will serve as a stable, ongoing data repository and information system in support of the DPADM UN Global E-Government Readiness Reports, and other related e-government initiatives.

Recent Publications

- [Governance World Watch](#) - Issues 79, 80 and 81

Conference Information

High-Level Round Table on Government Reform for Poverty Reduction

The participants will analyse the plans of the new government on the design and implementation of social programmes and policies to reduce poverty.

Date: 9 August 2006

Location: Lima, Peru

Contact: Mr. Guido Bertucci, Director, Division for Public Administration and Development Management, UNDESA

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Second Meeting of the Pan African Conference of Ministers of Local Government

Discussions are expected to focus not only on the international perspective presented by DPADM, but also on practices unique to the African continent.

Dates: 28-30 August 2006

Location: Maseru, Lesotho

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NEWS FROM ECE

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

<http://www.unece.org>

Highlights from Recent ECE Events

- The Twelfth Session of the UN/CEFACT (Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business) took place 22 – 24 May 2006 at Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland. During the plenary the Centre approved the decisions of the twelfth session. For additional details, visit http://www.unece.org/cefact/cf_plenary/plenary06/list_doc_06.htm.

- The Sixteenth Session of the Working Party on Regulatory Cooperation and Standardization Policies (WP.6) and Forum on "Regulatory Cooperation and Standardization in a Globalizing World - Challenges and Future Directions" took place 19 – 20 June 2006 at Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland. The session included the International Forum on Common Regulatory Language for Global Trade. It was a joint event with the newly formed Committee on Trade. Visit <http://www.unece.org/trade/ctied/wp6/documents/wp6-06-list.htm> for additional details.
- The first annual session of the newly formed Committee on Trade took place 21 – 23 June at Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland. During the session, the participants discussed the implications of the reform plan for the work of the new Committee. Measures to be taken, as related to the work of the Committee's subsidiary bodies, were considered under the corresponding agenda items. For additional details, visit <http://www.unece.org/trade/ct/welcome.htm>.

Recent Publications

The Millennium Development Goals – The Way Ahead

The report provides an overview of the major trends of the MDG indicators in the UNECE region, highlighting the progress achieved so far and the gaps that still need to be filled. It then develops an integrated policy framework for achieving the MDGs, based on the view that these are interrelated and cannot be reached on a sustainable basis through targeted policies and measures only.

Conference Information

Working Group on Effects

In its twenty-fifth session the Working Group on Effects of the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution will review results from its International Cooperative Programmes and Task Forces supporting the review of the 1999 Gothenburg Protocol.

Dates: 30 August - 1 September 2006

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URL: <http://www.unece.org/env/wge/25meeting.htm>

NEWS FROM ICCE

Park University International Centre for Civic Engagement (ICCE)

<http://www.park.edu/icce>

ICCE Launches Resources for Women Web Site

This summer, the ICCE launched a web site intended to serve as an online resource center for girls, students and women throughout the world.

URL: <http://www.park.edu/women>

ICCE Hosts Historical Lecture, World Cup Viewing

Prior to the Poland and Germany opening round 2006 World Cup soccer match on 14 June, won by Germany 1-0, Park University explored the historical rivalry between the two countries. **Jerzy Hauptmann**, professor emeritus of political science and public administration at Park, offered his personal reflections about the rivalry between Poland

and Germany. Fluent in both Polish and German, Hauptmann served in the underground Polish Home Army during World War II and spent time in a Nazi prisoner of war camp. The ICCE hosted Hauptmann's mini-lecture and then screened the World Cup match for faculty, students and the community.

URL: http://www.parkvideo.net/news/publish/news_00303.shtml

ICCE Book Review to Investigate Globalisation in the 21st Century

This month, the ICCE will establish a discussion group that will review **Thomas Friedman's** *The World is Flat* and consider its implications for the University and the greater society.

URL: <http://www.park.edu/icce/files/twif.pdf>

Conference Information

Conference on Global Solutions

Date: April 2007

City: Kansas City, MO, USA

Contact: Erik Bergrud, Director, International Centre for Civic Engagement, Park University

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Special Event Announcement

The Chair, Management of Network Industries of EPFL and Sun Microsystems (Switzerland) Inc. are proud to present a joint Open Event on "Security & Identity Management in a Federated World". This event is organised in conjunction with the EPFL Executive Master in e-Governance (e-Gov) and will also mark the opening of the 2nd edition of the e-Gov program. In addition to in-depth presentations on issues concerning privacy, security and trust, there will be case studies on how identity management can be implemented at various scales and levels (local, regional and international) and stimulating panel discussions on future challenges. **John Gage**, the Chief Researcher of Sun Microsystems, will be the keynote speaker of the event, which will take place on 2 October 2006 in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Contact: EPFL at egov@epfl.ch

URL: <http://egov.epfl.ch>

NEWS FROM IIAS

International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)

<http://www.iiasisa.be/iias/aiacc.htm>

Recent Publications

- [IIAS Newsletter - June 2006](#)

Conference Information

European Group of Public Administration (EGPA) Annual Conference

Theme: "Public Managers under Pressure: Between Politics, Professionalism and Civil Society"

Dates: 6-9 September 2006

Location: Milan, Italy

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URL: <http://www.egpa2006.com>

NEWS FROM INSTRAW

United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)

<http://www.un-instraw.org>

Gender, Peace and Security Information Just a Mouse Click away with New UN Tool

A broad spectrum of researchers, ranging from non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and the media to policy makers and students worldwide, will be able to exchange data and increase collaboration on gender, peace and security issues thanks to the first-ever such dedicated online directory, launched by the United Nations this summer. "In combating violence against women both in the context of war and peace, information sharing must be the first – although definitely not the last – step towards action," said **Carmen Moreno**, Director of INSTRAW which is launching the tool, focused on institutions that are actively engaged in gender, peace and security issues. In the overall efforts to make women free from all fears, INSTRAW expects this directory to help get quick access to accurate and relevant data on gender, peace and security." Through a fast, user-friendly search engine, up-to-date information on over 100 research institutions from around the globe, encompassing universities, colleges, independent research organizations, NGOs and UN bodies, can be found online.

URL: <http://www.un-instraw.org/en/index.php?option=content&task=blogcategory&id=182&Itemid=243>

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)

Tanzanian Delegation Visits Canada

Last month, a delegation of eight senior public servants from Tanzania came to Canada to meet and talk to their Canadian counterparts in the Governments of Ontario, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. They shared information on workforce management principles and best practices, including the handling of retrenchments and redundancies in the public service.

IPAC "Executive Brief:" Working with Political Staff at Queen's Park

The role of ministerial staff was identified by IPAC members as one of the most important issues facing public sector executives. IPAC responded by holding a pilot roundtable that brought together twenty Queen's Park veterans: half drawn from the ranks of Deputy Ministers; the other half from former ministerial advisors. Twenty-one

recommendations emerged from this discussion.

URL: <http://www.ipac.ca/files/WorkingwithPolStaff06.pdf>

The Phenomenal IPAC Summer Book Sale

What a deal! Here's your chance to stock up on some classics in Canadian public administration. Five IPAC books for \$20, including GST and shipping. Here's a chance to get some great books while they are still available, and to support IPAC. Fill out the form at http://www.ipac.ca/pubs/2006_ipac_book_sale.html.

Conference Information

2006 IPAC Annual Conference

Theme: "In Search of Democracy"

Dates: 27-30 August 2006

Location: Charlottetown, PEI, Canada

URL: <http://www.ipac.ca/2006>

IPAC National Symposium

Theme: "9/11 + 5: Canadian-American Relations in a New Context"

Dates: 4-5 October 2006

Location: Delta Chelsea Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Contact: Patrice Dutil, Acting Executive Director

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URL: http://www.ipac.ca/events/9115_canadianamerican_relations.html

NEWS FROM IPMA-HR

International Public Management Association for Human Resources (IPMA-HR)

<http://www.ipma-hr.org>

Significant Victory for Public Employers: Dual Function Firefighters/Paramedics Are Partially Exempt Says US DOL

Less than three months after IPMA-HR submitted an opinion letter request on behalf of public sector agencies throughout the United States to the US Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, the Association received a response that will make it easier for public agencies around the country to properly classify their dual-function firefighters/paramedics. The opinion letter is unequivocal. **Alfred B. Robinson**, acting director of the wage and hour division wrote, "Based on a review of the information provided, it is our opinion that the dual-function firefighter/paramedics described in your letter qualify for the partial overtime exemption."

Read the Letter: <http://www.ipma-hr.org/pdf/dolopinion.pdf>

Recent Publications

- [IPMA-HR News, June 2006](#)
- [IPMA-HR News, July 2006](#)
- [Public Personnel Management, Summer 2006](#)

Conference Information

2006 IPMA-HR Federal Section Annual Conference

Theme: "The Business of Human Resources: Building Capacity That Delivers Results"

Dates: 5-6 September 2006

Location: Washington, DC, USA
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Webinar on Recruitment & Selection/Benchmarking

Date: 14 September 2006
Contact: Carrie Hoover
Tel.: +1-703-549-7100
E-mail: choover@ipma-hr.org
URL: <http://www.ipma-hr.org/index.cfm?navid=275>

2006 IPMA-HR International Training Conference

Theme: "Solving the Generational Puzzle"
Dates: 7-11 October 2006
Location: The Flamingo, Las Vegas, NV, USA
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URL: <http://www.ipma-hr.org/conference/display.cfm?confid=10&bid=1>

Webinar on Reference Checking and Background Investigations

Date: 9 November 2006
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URL: <http://www.ipma-hr.org/index.cfm?navid=275>

NEWS FROM NISPAcee

Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPAcee)

<http://www.nispa.sk>

Recent Publications

- *Local Government Financial Capacity Building in Transition Countries: Selected Country Studies*, Ed. Zeljko Sevic
- *Implementation The Missing Link in Public Administration Reform in CEE*, Eds. William N. Dunn, Katarina Staronova, Sergei Pushkarev
- *Democratic Governance in CEE Countries: Challenges and Responses for the XXI Century*, Eds. Alan Rosenbaum, Juraj Nemec
- *Reference Guide for Horizontal Integration*, Eds. Peter Goldschmidt, Marta Darulova, Toni Niculescu, Anton Stemberger

Conference Information

15th NISPAcee Annual Conference

Theme: "Leadership and Management in the Public Sector: Values, Standards and Competencies in Central and Eastern Europe"

The main conference theme of the 15th Annual Conference will address a very crucial subject for not only Central and Eastern Europe, but all regions of the world: leadership and management in the public sector.

Dates: 17-19 May 2007

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NEWS FROM RCOCI

Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization (RCOCI)

<http://www.apcity.org>

Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Workshop

The Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Workshop was jointly sponsored by the Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization (RCOCI) and the China International Center for Economic and Technical Exchanges under the Ministry of Commerce of China in Shanghai 15-16 May 2006. This event aimed at a better understanding of the concept and cooperative modules of PPP for government agencies and enterprises. The workshop consisted of general knowledge on PPP, successful experiences of PPP around the world, application of PPP modules in improving the investment environment, establishing the development strategies and overseas investment policies. With the support of the United Nations Development Programme and Ministry of Commerce of China, this event was conducted successfully. Officials and consultants from the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation under the United Nations Development Programme and the China International Center for Economic and Technical Exchanges under the Ministry of Commerce all gave excellent speeches. More than 70 officials, entrepreneurs and experts attended the workshops.

2006 GATE Summit and Expo

RCOCI assisted in the organisation of the 2006 GATE Summit and Expo held in Shanghai, China 17-18 May 2006. This event was jointly sponsored by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation in the United Nations Development Programme, the Shanghai United Asset and Equity Exchange, Shanghai Pudong New Area Science and Technology Committee, and the International Technology Institute based in the United States. The purpose of this special event was to explore and discuss the potentials of the South-South Global Asset and Technology Exchange System (South-South GATE System), an innovative global mechanism that aims to enhance South-South cooperation by improving developing countries' access to technology, capital, knowledge and partnership in development. The mechanism aims to help developing countries to be fully exposed to and capture the true value of technologies, IPR and commercial opportunities; and to help optimise the returns of technology trading and investment. The Summit consists of a symposium, a real-time GATE system demonstration, an expo and business matching session bringing face-to-face interaction between global hi-tech companies and venture capital funds.

6th UNPAN-AP E-information Management Seminar

Jointly sponsored by the Shanghai Consulting Center for Internet Economy and the Institute of Information, SASS, the 6th UNPAN-AP E-information Management Seminar was held on 6 June in the latter's conference room, attracting nearly 20 representatives from important institutions such as the Asia-Pacific Center of UNPAN, the Shanghai Hotsales Information Technology Networks Company, and the Centers of E-governance, Information Resources Management, and Information Science of the Institute.

URL: http://www.unpan.org/directory/conference/guest/browseoneconference.asp?conference_id=1975

Recent Publications

- [Asia-Pacific City Informatization Bulletin, Summer 2006, Issue 14](#)
- [Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, July 2006, Issue 56](#)
- [Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, June 2006, Issue 55](#)
- [Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, May 2006, Issue 54](#)

Conference Information

6th Annual Forum on City Informatization in the Asia-Pacific Region (CIAPR VI)

Dates: 18-20 October 2006

Venue: Shanghai, China

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NEWS FROM UNCRD

United Nations Centre for Regional Development

<http://www.uncrd.or.jp>

In-house Seminar for ENNDA to Review the Data Collected by Planners

The in-house seminar was held to analyse the data the planners collected and also identify any data gaps that might exist, in Isiolo, Kenya, from 26-28 July 2006.

Approximately 60 participants reviewed data collected by the planning teams for a regional development plan preparation; identified existing gaps in the collected data; and discussed the way forward towards preparation of an integrated regional development plan for Ewaso Ng'iro North Development Authority (ENNDA) region.

In-country EST Policy Dialogue-cum-Training Workshops

Workshops were held in Vanvieng, Lao PDR, Dai Lai, Viet Nam, and Siem Reap, Cambodia, from 19-28 June 2006, as part of the national component of the Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) project and as a follow-up to the Aichi Statement adopted by 14 Asian countries.

Thirty-fourth International Training Course in Regional Development (ITC 34)

ITC 34 was held in Nagoya, Japan, from 18 May-28 June 2006. Participants from Bhutan, Cambodia, Colombia, Ethiopia, Japan, Kenya, Lao PDR, Mongolia, Thailand,

and Vietnam completed this six-week annual training course on sustainable regional development based on the Centre's three focus areas -- human security, environment management, and disaster management.

Recent Publications

- *Regional Development Dialogue*, Vol. 26, No. 2, Autumn 2005, "Decentralization: Poverty Reduction, Empowerment, and Participation"
- *Regional Development Dialogue*, Vol. 26, No. 1, Spring 2005, "Human Security and Conflict Resolution"

Conference Information

Inception Meeting for the National 3R Strategy

Dates: 31 August - 1 September 2006

City: Jakarta, Indonesia

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Second Regional Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) Forum

Dates: 11-12 December 2006

City: Yogyakarta, Indonesia

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