The mission of the United Nations Online Network in Public Administration and Finance (UNPAN) is to promote the sharing of knowledge, experiences and best practices throughout the world in sound public policies, effective public administration and efficient civil services, through capacity-building and cooperation among the United Nations Member States, with emphasis on south-south cooperation and UNPAN's commitment to integrity and excellence.

UNPAN NEWS HEADLINES

UNPAN Releases New Search Engine

UNPAN-NY is pleased to announce the release of the new UNPAN Search Engine, which has the capability to search HTML pages, documents in the UNPAN Content Server, and records in the Conference/Training and Contact databases from a single search box. The new search engine is a major improvement for the site, replacing the need to use several different search interfaces with one interface available from every page.

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NEWS FROM ASPA

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

ASPA International Coordination Policy Proposals

ASPA's International Task Force recently completed a draft report that identifies ASPA's international activities; suggests ways to incorporate an international mission and vision into ASPA's Strategic Plan; and develops concrete proposals for how ASPA's international activities should be reported, evaluated and funded. The Task Force
welcomes UNPAN Newsletter readers to review and comment on its draft international coordination policy proposals before they are submitted to ASPA's National Council for final approval.

URL: http://www.aspanet.org/scriptcontent/intl.cfm#proposals

ASPA Announces 2004-5 National Award Winners
ASPA has posted on its web site a list of individuals and organizations that will be recognised in April during the Society’s 66th Annual National Conference. Dr. Peter Boorsma, professor in Public Finance at Twente University in the Netherlands, will receive ASPA’s International Public Administration Award, presented annually to a distinguished scholar or practitioner living outside the United States who has made significant contributions to public administration in other nations.

URL: http://www.aspanet.org/scriptcontent/index_awards_winners05.cfm

Recent Publications

- Ethics Today - Winter 2004 issue
- PA TIMES - January issue
- Public Administration Review - January/February 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: ltain@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’s Staff Mission Abroad
From 15-16 November 2004, Dr. Simon Mamosi Lelo, Acting Director General of CAFRAD, took part in the meeting on the “Launch of African Policy Institutes Forum (APIF)”, organized by the African Capacity Building Foundation in Harare (Zimbabwe).

Ms. Lizette MICHAEL, Expert in Public Administration, represented CAFRAD in three meetings held in Addis-Ababa (Ethiopia), 1-10 December 2004:

- The first Workshop on Strategies for Mainstreaming Professionalism and Ethics in the African Public Service organized by UNDESA/DPADM in collaboration with the UNDP, ECA;
- The second event was the Ad-Hoc Expert Group Meeting on Measuring and Monitoring Progress Towards Good Governance in Africa;
• The third activity was the special Ad-Hoc Expert Group Meeting on the ECA Programme of Work, Biennium 2006-2007, held from 9-10 December 2004.

Recent Publications

• **CAFRAD Web News Letter - Issue 19**

Conference Information

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

The Regional Workshop, which was organised by CAFRAD, ACBF and the Government of Ghana, attracted 30 foreign participants and 20 local participants. This workshop was designed to add greater impetus to broadening the frontiers of e-governance in Africa.

URL: [http://www.cafrad.org/Workshops/Ghana_22-25_11_04/conference_information.htm](http://www.cafrad.org/Workshops/Ghana_22-25_11_04/conference_information.htm)

**NEWS FROM CAIMED**

Centre for Administrative Innovation in the Euro-Mediterranean Region (CAIMED)

[http://www.caimed.org](http://www.caimed.org)

Recent Additions to the UNPAN Web Site

- Administrative Reform in Mediterranean Region – Comparative Summary
- CAIMED Beneficiary Countries: Better Quality of Services for the Private Sector
- CAIMED Beneficiary Countries: Better Quality of Services for Citizens
- Administrative Reform
- CAIMED Beneficiary Countries: Decentralization of Central Governance
- CAIMED Beneficiary Countries: New Public Management
- CAIMED Beneficiary Countries: Simplification and Transparency
- Best Practices in the European Countries: Belgium
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### The Economics of Happiness

| Large and Small Europe |
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| The Impact of HIV/AIDS on Public Sector Human Resources in Africa |
| Partnership with Civil Society for a Better Governance |
| Pubblica amministrazione e gli scrittori dell’800 |
| The Novelists of the 1800’s and Public Administration |

### Summary Report of Albania

| Summary Report of Algeria | Summary Report of Libya |
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| Summary Report of Croatia | Summary Report of Malta |
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### Conference Information

**Neighbourhood Policies in the Mediterranean Area: The Role of the Italian Regions System**

- **Theme:** The new neighbourhood policy of the European Union
- **Date:** 18 February 2005
- **Location:** Naples, Italy
- **Contact:** Marcella Ascione
  - E-mail: marcella.ascione@formez.it

**Presentation of the Book “Notes and Comments on the Italian Administrative System, 2003-2004”**

- **Date:** 2 March 2005
- **Location:** Milan, Italy
- **Contact:** Marcella Ascione
  - E-mail: marcella.ascione@formez.it

**The Implementation of the European Directive on Market Abuse in the Italian Law**

- **Theme:** Corporate law
- **Date:** 18 March 2005
- **Location:** Naples, Italy
- **Contact:** Valeria Russo
  - E-mail: vrusso@formez.it

**Best Practices and Sustainable Tourism in the Western Mediterranean**

- **Theme:** Sustainable tourism
**Meeting of the Directors of Training and Administrative Innovation Centres in the Arab World**  
Theme: Training in support of administrative innovation  
Date: 9-11 May 2005  
Location: Naples, Italy  
Contact: Alberto Corbino  
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**NEWS FROM CARICAD**  
Caribbean Centre for Development Administration (CARICAD)  
[http://caricad.net](http://caricad.net)

CARICAD Will Post Policy Forum Papers on UNPAN Web Site  
A number of recently received policy forum papers from CARICAD's 8th Annual Public-Private Sector and Civil Society Forum held in 2004 will be posted soon on the UNPAN web site.

**Recent Publications**

- *Caricad Chronicle - Vol. 1, No. 2*

**Conference Information**  
CARICAD's 9th Annual Public-Private Sector and Civil Society Forum  
Theme: TBD  
Tentative Dates: 10-11 March 2005  
Location: St. Kitts and Nevis  
Contact: Rosemund Warrington  
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**NEWS FROM CLAD**  
Latin American Centre for Development Administration (CLAD)  
[http://www.clad.org.ve](http://www.clad.org.ve)

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 visit [http://www.clad.org.ve/concurso/concuxviii.html](http://www.clad.org.ve/concurso/concuxviii.html).  
Essays will be received until 29 May 2005

**CLAD Posts Additional Documents Online**  
527 documents from CLAD's 2004 Madrid are now available via the UNPAN web site. Papers were presented by Ministers and State secretaries responsible for public policies, as well as parliamentarians, researchers, academicians, students, consultants, public servants and trade unionist from Latin America and many other countries. Documents are related to the main dimensions of the renewed process of State and
Evaluation as a Tool for a Result Oriented Public Management
The title listed above has been duly updated with information related to key experiences from Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Uruguay and Argentina. Instruments, methodologies and web sites are also published.
URL: http://www.unpan.org/latin.asp
(Innovations and Trends in Public Management), La evaluación como herramienta para una gestión pública orientada a resultados

Conference Information
X International Congress of CLAD on State and Public Administration Reform
Dates: 18-21 October 2005
Location: Santiago, Chile
E-mail: clad@clad.org.ve
URL: http://www.clad.org.ve/congreso/congri.html
Panel Proposals should be referred to one of these thematic areas, and be delivered to CLAD no later than 25 March:

- Professionalisation of the civil service and promotion of public management
- Development of public management evaluation and control systems
- Promoting ethics and transparency in public management
- Strengthening of governmental cooperation and coordination
- E-Government development
- The increase of the capacity of execution of public policies: public-private associations and citizens participation
- The strengthening of the management capacity of local governments
- Strategies for the fight against poverty

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

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

CPSI Brings Together Stakeholders to Discuss How to Replicate Innovation and Good Practice in Service Delivery
On 24 November 2004, the CPSI hosted a round-table discussion on how best to replicate and mainstream innovation and good practices in service delivery. The workshop engaged researchers, donor agencies, innovators and government
functionaries in lively and insightful discussions. The engagements highlighted a rich diversity of views and opinions, confirming the complex and dynamic nature of this key focus area. Replication and mainstreaming of innovation is a key issue and government departments face many challenges on a daily basis — taking forward small-scale innovative service delivery practices, managing scale-up of small local level innovations, re-creating the conditions that made the innovation successful, as well as aligning the innovation with other policy imperatives. The proceedings of the workshop have been documented in a publication entitled Conversations, available on the CPSI and UNPAN web sites.

CPSI Launches e-Gov Knowledge Exchange
CPSI launched the eGovernment Knowledge Exchange for South Africa (eGov KnowEx) on 1 December 2004. E-gov KnowEx aims to create a multi-channel platform that allow government information technology officers, the private sector and the research community to explore key themes and issues in the e-government space. A key channel of the eGov KnowEx are learning exchanges that bring together the key players to explore a key issue of common interest. The inaugural learning exchange looked at models and experiences of using the private sector in e-government. The exchange focused on issues arising from existing experiences, and the development of potential models to help deepen the current relationship between the public and private sectors in e-government delivery.

Recent Publications
The CPSI has produced a number of knowledge products aimed at facilitating the replication of projects that were recipients of an Impumelelo Innovation Award.

The first four Innovation Insights were published. These are short briefings focusing on lessons and experiences of innovations in a specific area of interest. The topics include:

- Innovation Insights – Water
- Innovation Insights – Sanitation
- Innovation Insights – Expanded Public Works Project Ideas
- Innovation Insights – Municipal Service Delivery

In addition, CPSI added three more case studies to its growing collection of case studies. These include:

- Kimberly Hospital Complex – A model of health service excellence through innovation
- Maintaining Rural Roads through Job Creation – Healing the fabric of society
- Environment-friendly development – a partnership in energy provision

Finally, CPSI has released a handbook targeted at would-be innovators and which draws on the experiences of people involved in award-winning South African innovation projects. The handbook is entitled Making Service Delivery Happen – Innovation at Work.

All publications are available on the CPSI and UNPAN web sites.
Conference Information

Learning Exchange Session 2
Theme: Is e-government addressing the needs of the poor? Reflecting on the State of the Nation address by the President of the Republic of South Africa
Date: 15 February 2005
Location: Pretoria, South Africa

Learning Exchange Session 3
Theme: Late learner or early adopter? - Moving SA up the e-government ranks
Date: 29 March 2005
Location: Pretoria, South Africa

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
International Conference on Parliaments’ Information Management in Africa
Theme: “Challenges and Opportunities of ICTs to Strengthen Democracy and Parliamentary Governance"
Dates: 9-11 February 2005
Location: Nairobi, Kenya
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NEWS FROM ECE
United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
http://www.unece.org

Multiplier Point Network
The UNECE's Multiplier Point network consists of national or regional focal points in countries in transition. These can be private or public organizations involved in trade, industry or enterprise development in their country. The Multiplier Points disseminate information about the UNECE's work in areas of particular interest to countries in transition. This programme allows the UNECE to reach out to a much wider audience than its own resources would allow, including the business community, new entrepreneurs, as well as relevant local, regional and national authorities.

The disseminated information primarily covers UNECE work and activities in trade, industry and enterprise development, such as Trade facilitation and e-business, Agricultural quality standards, International legal and commercial practice, Standardization and harmonization policies and Industry and enterprise development. Multiplier Points are also informed about UNECE activities in the areas of Gender issues, Environment, Transport, Economic Analysis and Statistics, Human Settlement, Sustainable Energy and Timber. In addition, they receive timely notifications about the recent and forthcoming UNECE events and can, at any moment, contact the UNECE Multiplier Point coordinator with relevant, specific information.
requests.

For further information about the Multiplier Point Network, you can contact the coordinator, Ms. Azhar Jaimurzina at azhar.jaimurzina@unece.org (Tel.: +41 22 917 2660, Fax: +41 22 917 0037)

**WTO Public Symposium**

**21 April 2005**

**Trade Facilitation and Transition**

Trade facilitation as a tool for the integration of less advantaged countries, including economies in transition, within the world trade networks

Competitiveness stems not only from a firm’s efficiency, but also from its capacity to get its goods to international markets in a timely and reliable manner. Integrating into world trade networks implies the capacity to fit into the supply chain of international corporations, which are based on just-in-time production and delivery. However, the requirements of customs – in particular the need to ensure that when goods cross into a country’s territory they comply, among others, with the country’s safety, sanitary and phyto-sanitary standards as well as its security requirements - can be at odds with the traders’ needs for fast transit and customs procedures.

For this reason, the United Nations and other organizations develop and maintain trade facilitation instruments, including international conventions, standards, recommendations, guidelines and best practices with the objective of simplifying, harmonizing and automating procedures, information flows and paperwork in international trade, while at the same time ensuring that all the policy objectives of customs control are fully met.

In this context, the UNECE will collaborate with the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) to organize a half-day workshop on 21 April 2005 - within the WTO Public Symposium and on the WTO premises - on the topic of “Trade facilitation and transition”.

The workshop will be attended by both traders and policy-makers and will highlight the following topics:

- The specific needs of transition economies in trade facilitation
- New methods of trade facilitation: the Single Window concept
- How supply chain management and trade facilitation are linked
- Organizational structures in support of trade facilitation;
- Capacity-building for trade facilitation

For further information, please see the contact information under the list of UNECE meetings.
Recent Publications

*Sharing the Gains of Globalization in the New Security Environment: The Challenges to Trade Facilitation*

This publication examines the policies that are important for the international implementation of trade facilitation and how this would contribute to equitable development worldwide. It represents an excellent reference tool for countries 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

*2005 UNECE Spring Seminar on 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
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*Sixtieth Session of the Economic Commission for Europe*

Dates: 22-25 February 2005
Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland
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*UNECE Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards: Specialized Section on Standardization of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables*

The UNECE Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards and its Specialized Sections facilitate trade by setting internationally harmonized commercial quality standards. These standards form the basis of European Union directives and are also widely used in other countries, including the Russian Federation and China.

Dates: 7-10 March 2005
Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland
6th UN/CEFACT Forum
The six Permanent Groups of UN/CEFACT as well as all their project teams meet together twice a year at a Forum to share experience gained from completed projects and to progress new best practices, standards, norms and recommendations for trade facilitation and electronic business aimed at simplifying trade procedures and streamlining business practices. The Forums are organized alternately in Europe, in the Americas and in Asia.
Dates: 14-18 March 2005
Location: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
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UN/CEFACT Trade Facilitation Workshop
In connection with the UN/CEFACT Forum in Kuala Lumpur, UN/CEFACT will organize a training workshop to highlight benefits and advantages of trade facilitation for both the public administration and the private sector. The topics of workshop will touch many highly relevant issues such as the single window concept, trade and security, trade facilitation measures in the WTO context, etc.
Location: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
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URL: http://www.unece.org/cefact

Trade Facilitation and Transition Workshop
The UNECE will collaborate with the Agency for International Trade Information and Cooperation (AITIC) to organize this workshop as part of the annual WTO Public Symposium. It will cover trade facilitation as a tool for the integration of less advantaged countries, including economies in transition, within world trade networks
Date: 21 April 2005
Location: WTO Conference Centre, Geneva, Switzerland
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9th Session of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development
The Committee works to develop closer economic relations among UNECE member States, as well as to better integrate their economies into the world economy. It makes policy recommendations, develops standards for use in trade and assists member States in implementing them.
Dates: 23-27 May 2005
Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland
Contact: Ms. Virginia Cram-Martos
Secretary to the Committee
Chief, Trade Policy and Governmental Cooperation Branch
11th Session of the Plenary: United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT)

The principal focus of the UN Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UN/CEFACT) is on facilitating national and international transactions, through the simplification and harmonization of processes, procedures and information flows, and so contributing to the growth of global commerce.

Dates: 22-24 June 2005
Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland
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URL: [http://www.unece.org/cefact/cf_plenary/plenary04/docs/list_doc_04.htm](http://www.unece.org/cefact/cf_plenary/plenary04/docs/list_doc_04.htm)

Building Trade Partnerships in the UNECE Region

This seminar will discuss how to advance integration within the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) with a specific focus on ICT, e-business and trade facilitation. The meeting will address the issues of

- How to further the liberalization of trade: choices regarding rules of origin
- How to promote the harmonization of technical standards
- What barriers remain in trade among the CIS partners concerning transit and customs?

The meeting will specifically seek to identify how the specific instruments developed by UNECE can be concretely put to use in the process of integration among the CIS.

Dates: 27-28 October 2005
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NEWS FROM EROPA

Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration (EROPA)

EROPA Plans General Assembly and Conference

EROPA is currently in the process of preparing for its 20th General Assembly and Conference to be held in Hanoi in the last quarter of the year. A conference theme will be announced shortly.

NEWS FROM ESCAP

United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
[http://www.unescap.org](http://www.unescap.org)
Recent Publications

- Strengthening Institutional Capacity to Promote Investment and Transfer of Technology with Special Emphasis on Information and Communication Technology
- Bulletin on Asia-Pacific Perspectives 2004/05: Asia-Pacific Economies: Living with High Oil Prices?

Conference Information

Forum for Asia/Pacific Statisticians
Dates: 3-4 February 2005
Location: Bangkok, Thailand
Contact: stat.unescap@un.org
URL: http://www.unescap.org/stat/apex/index.asp

Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific 2005
Dates: 24-29 March 2005
Location: Seoul, Republic of Korea
Contact: escap-esdd-oc@un.org
URL: http://www.unescap.org/mced

NEWS FROM IIAS

International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)
http://www.iiasilisa.be/lias/alacc.htm

Combating Fraud for OLAF
The IIAS has signed a 9-month contract with the European Commission's OLAF, working with Dr. Lothar Kuhl of OLAF (http://europa.eu.int/comm/dgs/olaf/directory/index_en.html) and Dr. Philip Langbroek of the University of Utrecht who chairs the EGPA Study Group on the Management and Delivery of Justice (http://www.iiasilisa.be/egpa/aggroup/agdeljustice.htm). The project, across a range of European states, is to determine the rights of defence - what people are entitled to expect when being investigated by the OLAF staff who are responsible for ensuring that European public money is being properly used.

The IIAS Director General was invited to New York by Mr. Guido Bertucci with a view to planning the 6th Global Forum on Reinventing Government which is to be held in Seoul, capital of Korea, in May 2005. The Institute will be co-organising a workshop on e-governance over several days with the UNDESA (United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs) and the Korean national agency. After the success of the IIAS Congress in Seoul there is an obvious read-across that the Institute will seek to highlight.

Global Governance Fourth Meeting - 23-24 November 2004
In 2003 the Institute established a project group of experts under the chairmanship of its Vice-President for Africa, Minister Geraldine Fraser-Moleketi (South Africa). Its task is
to consider what administrative expertise can contribute to resolving the difficult subject of global governance. The fourth meeting was held at the Institute HQ in Brussels. The group, whose Rapporteur is Demetrios Argyriades and which also has members from Uganda, France, Germany, Korea, Japan, Argentina and the UK first met only in November 2003 in Brussels, but has met also in New York at the United Nations and in Seoul at the IIAS Congress. Its report is due to appear in time for the 2005 Berlin conference.

Recent Publications

Edited by Edward Warrington
Price: 25 €
Distribution: IISA/IIAS

*The Institutional Arrangements for Water Management in the 19th and 20th Centuries*
Cahier d’Histoire de l’Administration No. 8
Volume 24 International Institute of Administrative Sciences Monographs
Edited by: J.C.N. Raadschelders
2005, 248 pp., hardcover
ISBN: 1 58603 482 0
Price: US$99 / €85 / £59
Distribution: IOS Press, Nieuwe Hemweg 6B, 1013 BG Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Tel.: +31 20 688 3355
Fax: +31 20 620 3419
E-mail: info@iospress.nl

*Contracts, Performance Measurement and Accountability in the Public Sector*
Volume 25 International Institute of Administrative Sciences Monographs
Edited by Gavin Drewry, Carsten Greve, Thierry Tanquerel
2005, hardcover
Price: US$90 / €75 / £53
Distribution: IOS Press, Nieuwe Hemweg 6B, 1013 BG Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Tel.: +31 20 688 3355
Fax: +31 20 620 3419

Conference Information

**IASIA Annual Conference on “Education and training at various administration levels: Assessing needs - Ensuring quality”**
Dates: 11-15 July 2005
Location: Como (Italy)
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URL: [http://www.iaisiisa.be/schools/aecnf/aecom/aecom.htm](http://www.iaisiisa.be/schools/aecnf/aecom/aecom.htm)

**EGPA Annual Conference**
Theme: “Reforming the Public Sector: What about the Citizens?”
Dates: 31 August - 3 September 2005
Workshops
1. Co-operation and Partnership of Public Administration and Private Enterprise: economic chances, constitutional and political objections? Rapporteur: Ian 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 Globalised 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
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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)

International Brainstorm: The Regulatory State of Tomorrow
IPAC's SmartTape Centre for Regulatory Innovation held a highly successful brainstorm event 13-14 December 13 in Toronto. This event brought together a dozen of the best thinkers in regulation scholarship from around the world - seven countries across four continents. Some of the most vexing issues challenging today's regulatory regimes were addressed and explored at length. The entire two days were recorded and IPAC looks forward to releasing a publication based on the papers and discussions to share the fruits of this prestigious event in the near future.

Coulombe Receives IPAC Vanier Medal
The IPAC Vanier Medal was presented by Governor General Adrienne Clarkson to Guy Coulombe during a special ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa on 26 January. IPAC President Jocelyn Soulière read the citation. For more information on Coulombe, please visit http://www.ipac.ca/awards/vanier/index.html.
International Program
The $5.3 million Public Sector Capacity Building for Governance and Social Development Program funded by the Canadian International Development Agency has been granted a nine month extension to June 2006. Under this program Canadian provincial governments are partnered with their counterparts in Chile, Indonesia, Malawi, Mali, Namibia, Tanzania, Philippines, Trinidad and Tobago and Uganda to strengthen public sector capacity in the areas of governance and poverty reduction.

URL: http://www.ipac.ca

Conference Information
Workshops on “Building Commitment”
IPAC workshops on this vital management topic will be held in Toronto on 29 March and Ottawa, on 31 March. Led by Ms. Felicity Somerset, co-author of the “Building Commitment Handbook,” these workshops bring to life the essential managerial skills and strategies required to build a committed workforce. For workshop details or to register, contact Gabriella Ciampini, Director of Special Events, at gciampini@ipac.ca. Workshops are limited to 20 participants, so hurry. Costs are $375 IPAC members; $475 non-members.

The Leadership Lessons of Secretaries to Cabinet
This unprecedented look at the leadership of the public service will take place in Toronto on 12-13 May. Various panels will feature scholars and both current and past secretaries to cabinet from all parts of Canada.

URL: http://www.ipac.ca

2005 IPAC Annual Conference in Regina
The 2005 Annual Conference will be held in the Regina Conference Centre, Regina, 28-31 August. The theme of the conference is “Public Service in a Borderless World.” Help celebrate Saskatchewan’s 100th anniversary! IPAC 2005 also offers a social program of prairie hospitality. This is your chance to experience Regina and the beauty of Wascana Lake. Join us for three days of intellectual challenge and learning. Visit the conference web site at http://www.ipac.ca/2005. Contact ipac2005@ipac.ca for more information.

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

Recent Publications

- Federal Section News
- HR Bulletin
- IPMA-HR News
- PPM
- International News
- Press Releases
- Assessment Council
- News

Conference Information
IPMA-HR 2005 International Training Conference
Dates: 15-19 October 2005
City: New Orleans, LA, USA
NEWS FROM NISPAcee

Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe (NISPAcee)
http://www.nispa.sk

Recent Publications

- NISPAcee News, Winter 2005
- Occasional Papers in Public Administration and Public Policy

Conference Information

HOW TO BE A BETTER POLICY ADVISOR in Public Administration Reforms in selected Balkan and Central Asia Countries

Theme: NISPAcee with the support of the SLOVAKAID is organizing two training courses for advisors, "How to Be a Better Policy Advisor," and one workshop, "The Slovak Experience in Advising Governments," focused on fostering successful implementation of public administration reforms throughout the selected Balkan and Central Asia countries through the development of the indigenous advisory capacities.

The aim of the training course is to provide the academics with an opportunity to begin the development of their knowledge and skills on public policy advice design and channels for the delivery.

The course is designed for the academicians working in the field of public administration who are interested in participation in policy advice delivery to their governments and would like to improve their skills in this area.

The course is designed according to the needs of those who are beginning or plan to be involved in policy planning and advice provision to their governments. The degree of participants does not have to be in public administration, however the current academic research and teaching activities must focus on the aspects of public administration reform in your country.

Dates/Locations:
1st training: Bratislava, Slovak Republic, 8-12 March 2005 (English language)
2nd training: Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic, 15-18 June 2005 (Russian language)

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URL: http://www.nispa.sk/_portal/page.php?sid=171

Democratic Governance for the XXI Century: Challenges and Responses in CEE Countries

Theme: The programme of the conference will be structured in:

- plenary session on the main conference theme
- panel sessions and forums
- working sessions on the main conference theme
- parallel meetings of the NISPAcee Working Groups

Working Groups:

I. Working Group on Politico-Administrative Relations
II. Working Group on Public Sector Quality
III. Working Group on Strategic Leadership in Central Government
IV. Working Group on Democratic Governance of Multi-ethnic Communities
V. Working Group on Public Sector Finance and Accounting
VI. Working Group on E-Government
VII. Working Group on Capacity Building of a Civil Servants’ Training System According to EU Requirements
VIII. Working Group on Degree Programmes of Public Administration / Public Policy Education in CEE Countries
IX. Working Group on Ethics in Governance

Dates: 19-21 May 2005
Location: Moscow, Russia
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NEWS FROM RCOCI
Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization (RCOCI)
http://www.apcity.org

RCOCI Concerns About Indian Ocean Tsunami Disaster Reduction
In response to the recent Indian Ocean Tsunami disaster, RCOCI Editing Department made a special effort in data compiling apart from a modest sum of donation. Please click to view: Papers Focus on Disaster Reduction, and News Focus on Indian Ocean Tsunami and Disaster Reduction.

The 5th RCOCI E-information Management Seminar
On 23 December 2004, the 5th RCOCI E-information Management Seminar was held in Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, Shanghai, China. Experiences of UNPAN-ORCs were examined, and performance of RCOCI summarized. Mr. Wang Jianhua, Chief Editor of RCOCI, presented his “Annual Summary Report 2004.”

Recent Publications
- Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, December 2004, Issue 37
- Governance Asia-Pacific Watch, January 2005, Issue 38

Top 10 Most Visited Documents in 2004 According to Progress Report on UNPAN Implementation
2. Leadership Styles and Cultural Values: A Comparative Study of Four Countries...
Impact of Agrarian Reform on Poverty (Philippines)
Online Delivery of Programmes: A Case Study of IGNOU (India)
Pre-service and In-service Teacher Education in the Philippines
Survey of Enterprises Informatization in China (in Chinese)
Private Sector Initiative and Future Prospects for the Japanese Economy
Local Strategies for Accelerating Sustainability: Case Studies of Local Government...
Chinese Administrative Restructuring and Development Trend (in Chinese)

Conference Information
5th Global Forum on City Informatization in the Asia-Pacific Region (CIAPR V)
Theme: Focusing on ICT for Development, CIAPR V will be composed of a plenary session, a number of parallel sessions/workshops such as: e-Government, e-Commerce, information security, role of the local governments in the information society, development of Internet 2, information technology and its applications, informatization policy and strategy, etc.
Dates: 30-31 May 2005
Location: Shanghai, China
Contact: Ms. Ji Jie
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Tel.: 86-21-61123738
Fax: 86-21-61123739
URL: http://www.apcity.org

Conference for the Chinese Sponsors of CIAPR V
Theme: The Regional Cooperation Office for City Informatization (RCOCI) will disclose its work report and the agenda for the forthcoming CIAPR V for approval.
Date: 1 February 2005
Location: Beijing, China
Contact: Mr. Le Shiyuan
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Fax: 86-21-61123739

Mayor Workshop for City Informatization (UNITAR)
Theme: “ICT for City Administration in China,” aiming at capacity building for the mayors in charge of informatization, covering the latest IT development trends, the territorial economic development and infrastructure, e-Government for local authorities and IT applications
Dates: 21-25 February 2005
Location: Shanghai, China
Contact: Ms. Song Qiong
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Fax: 86-21-61123739

NEWS FROM UNCRD
United Nations Centre for Regional Development
http://www.uncrd.or.jp

UNCRD Completes Training Courses and Workshops
UNCRD has successfully completed the following training courses and workshops in October-December 2004:
Sixth In-Country Training Course on Local Development Planning and Management in Lao PDR: Focus on Training of Trainers (TOT), 6-18 December 2004 (Thalat, Vientiane Province, Lao PDR)
Workshop on Building Partnerships for Human Security and Regional Development, 26 November 2004 (Nagoya, Japan)
Policy Workshop on Human Security and Sustainable Livelihoods, 4-8 November 2004 (Orchha and New Delhi, India)
Three Promotional Workshops of the Training Course under the Project on Human Security and Regional Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, November-December 2004 (Córdoba, Argentina; Bogotá, Colombia; and Guatemala City, Guatemala)
Improvised Shake Table Demonstration in Bam, Iran, 31 October 2004 (Bam, Iran)
National Workshop in Mongolia, 28 October 2004 (Ulaan Baatar, Mongolia)
Training Workshop on Regional Development Planning and Plan Preparation in Kwale District and Mombasa Mainland South, 27-29 October 2004 (Mombasa, Kenya)
Second Action Planning Workshop for Integrated Regional Development Management in Medellin-Antioquia, 21-23 October 2004 (Medellin, Colombia)

For further information, please visit http://www.uncrd.or.jp/index.html.

Recent Publications

- Complete Catalogue of UNCRD Publications (as of January 2005)
- UNCRD Annual Report 2003
- UNCRD Newsletter, No. 57, January-June 2004

Conference Information

Workshop on Human Security Assessment in Cambodia
Theme: Human Security and its Assessment in Cambodia
Date: 7 February 2005
Location: Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Contact: Human Security Unit, 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

Tenth Africa Training Course on Local and Regional Development Planning and Management
Theme: Local and Regional Development Planning and Management
Date: 14 February 2005
18 March 2005
Location: AICAD Premises, Juja, Kenya
Contact: UNCRD Africa Office
Tel.: (+254-20) 624674/ 624375
Fax: (+254-20) 624480
Third UNCRD Study Camp: Towards Sustainable Development
Theme: Sustainable Development - Raising Awareness, Deepening Understanding, and Taking Action
Date: 11 March 2005
13 March 2005
Location: Nagoya, Japan
Contact: Study Camp Office
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Fax: 81-52-561-9374 / 8375 (general)
E-mail: camp@uncrd.or.jp
URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/hs/index.htm

Workshop on Building Partnerships for Human Security and Regional Development
Theme: Building Partnerships for Human Security and Regional Development
Date: April 2005
Location: Tokyo, Japan
Contact: Human Security Unit, UNCRD
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Fax: 81-52-561-9458 (HS) / 8375 (general)
E-mail: hs_group@uncrd.or.jp
URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/hs/index.htm

Workshop on Human Security Assessment in Cambodia
Theme: Human Security and its Assessment in Cambodia
Date: April 2005
Location: Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Contact: Human Security Unit, UNCRD
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URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/hs/index.htm

33rd International Training Course in Regional Development
Theme: Regional Development
Date: 19 May 2005
29 June 2005
Location: Nagoya, Japan
Contact: Training Office, UNCRD
Tel.: 81-52-561-9377 (general)
Fax: 81-52-561-9458 / 8375 (general)
E-mail: training@uncrd.or.jp
URL: http://www.uncrd.or.jp/tr/index_itc.html