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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

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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](#)
- Actes du Séminaire CAFRAD/OFFPA sur " La Clarification des Missions de l'Etat, de la Société Civile, du Secteur Privé dans la Gouvernance économique et la Lutte contre la Pauvreté en Afrique " Tanger (Maroc), 24-27 May 2004

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

NEWS FROM CAIMED

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

<http://www.aimed.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](#)

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[Public Administration](#)

[Cosmopolitismo nell' illuminismo e l'amministrazione transnazionale](#)

[French Enlightenment cosmopolitanism and transnational administration](#)

[Human Capital Management and Executive in Public Administration](#)

[La gestione del capitale umano e il ruolo dirigenziale nella PA](#)

[Public Policy and Human Resource Development](#)

[Summary Report of Albania](#)

[Summary Report of Algeria](#)

[Summary Report of Bosnia](#)

[Herzegovina](#)

[Summary Report of Croatia](#)

[Summary Report of Cyprus](#)

[Summary Report of Egypt](#)

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[Summary Report of Syria](#)

[Summary Report of Tunisia](#)

[Summary Report of Turkey](#)

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

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Presentation of the Book "Notes and Comments on the Italian Administrative System, 2003-2004"

Date: 2 March 2005

Location: Milan, Italy

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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

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Best Practices and Sustainable Tourism in the Western Mediterranean

Theme: Sustainable tourism

Date: 21-22 March 2005
Location: Naples, Italy
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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>

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
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NEWS FROM CLAD

Latin American Centre for Development Administration (CLAD)

<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>.

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

public administration reform, and management of public affairs.

URL: <http://www.unpan.org/latin.asp> (Bilingual Interface to Access SIARE's Bibliographic Database (Spanish / English) Please search by "Subject" CONGRESO CLAD 9-2004 It is possible to combine with other fields like "Author", "Countries" and "Language"

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

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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.

The publication is available in English (ECE/TRADE/330, Sales N°. E.04.II.E.3, ISBN 92-1-116889-9) and Russian (ECE/TRADE/352, Sales N°. R.04.II.E.3, ISBN 92-1-416000-7).

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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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URL: http://www.unece.org/ead/2005provsem_new.htm

Sixtieth Session of the Economic Commission for Europe

Dates: 22-25 February 2005

Location: Palais des Nations, Geneva 10, Switzerland

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URL: http://www.unece.org/commission/2005/60th_index.htm

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

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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 to 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.

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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

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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

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)

<http://www.eropa.org.ph>

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>

Recent Publications

- [Report of the Second Regional Forum on Maritime Manpower Planning, Training, Utilization and Networking of Centres of Excellence](#)
- [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

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URL: <http://www.unescap.org/mced>

NEWS FROM IIAS

International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)

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

United Nations Plans for Korea - 15-16 November 2004

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

Governance and Public Administration in the Twenty-first Century: New Trends and New Techniques - Implications for Education and Training

Edited by Edward Warrington

2004, 118 pp.

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

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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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Tel.: +32 2 536 08 89

E-mail: iasia@iiasiisa.be

URL: <http://www.iiasiisa.be/schools/aeconf/aecom/aecom.htm>

EGPA Annual Conference

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

Dates: 31 August - 3 September 2005

Location: Bern, Switzerland
Contact: Fabienne Maron, EGPA Executive Secretary
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E-Mail: geapegpa@iiasiisa.be
URL: <http://www.iiasiisa.be/egpa/agconf/agbern/agbern.htm>

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: **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
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)

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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](#)
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Conference Information

IPMA-HR 2005 International Training Conference

Dates: 15-19 October 2005

City: New Orleans, LA, USA

Contact: Shannon Nicko Adaway

E-mail: sadaway@ipma-hr.org

URL: <http://www.ipma-hr.org/conference/display.cfm?confid=4>

[Other IPMA Events](#)

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)

Contact: NISPAcee Secretariat, Ms. Elena Zakova, Project Manager

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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."

URL: http://www.unpan.org/directory/conference/guest/browseoneconference.asp?conference_id=1785

Recent Publications

- [Asia-Pacific City Informatization Bulletin, Winter 2004, Issue 8](#)
- [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*

1 [Survey on Population Resources of 7 Major Cities in China \(in Chinese\)](#)

2 [Leadership Styles and Cultural Values: A Comparative Study of Four Countries...](#)

- 3 [Impact of Agrarian Reform on Poverty \(Philippines\)](#)
- 4 [Survey Report on China's Urban Labor Market and Employment Situation \(in Chinese\)](#)
- 5 [Online Delivery of Programmes: A Case Study of IGNOU \(India\)](#)
- 6 [Pre-service and In-service Teacher Education in the Philippines](#)
- 7 [Survey of Enterprises Informatization in China \(in Chinese\)](#)
- 8 [Private Sector Initiative and Future Prospects for the Japanese Economy](#)
- 9 [Local Strategies for Accelerating Sustainability: Case Studies of Local Government...](#)
- 10 [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

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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

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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

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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)
- UNCRD Research Seminar on Human Security in Sri Lanka: "Poverty Reduction and Regional Development in Sri Lanka," 1 October 2004 (Nagoya, Japan)

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](#)
- [Regional Development Dialogue \(RDD\), Vol. 24, No. 2, Autumn 2003 \(Contents only\) "Reflections on 'Human Security Now'"](#)

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

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

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)

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URL: <http://www.uncrd.or.jp/ja/studycamp/3/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

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

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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Fax: 81-52-561-9458 (HS) / 8375 (general)

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

33rd International Training Course in Regional Development

Theme: Regional Development

Date: 19 May 2005

29 June 2005

Location: Nagoya, Japan

Contact: Training Office, UNCRD

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Fax: 81-52-561-9458 / 8375 (general)

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