Call for Papers
The 2022 Annual Conference of the
Asian Association for Public Administration (AAPA)

December 3-4th, 2022, Shanghai, China

New Governance Challenges towards Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the World

The world has been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic, which has had profound impacts on individuals, organizations, and societies. As a result, countries are now facing major setbacks in the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Though many countries and many cities are gradually recovering from the pandemic, COVID-19's impacts may be long-lasting. To cope with the challenges, each country and each city may have to adapt their strategies and governance and introduce innovative solutions.

Governments around the world now face a set of open-ended problems which are complex, have multiple objectives, and require decision makers to balance competing interests and optimize benefits. How to plan cities so that public services become more equitable and affordable for all? How to enhance the capacity of officials and the performance of government? How can emerging technologies be used to solve these problems in different countries and cities? Decisions related to these issues will affect the lives of billions of people and shape the future of nations and our planet.

The conference focuses on developing theories, identifying good practices, and presenting new evidence regarding addressing challenges en route to achieving the SDGs. Both academicians and practitioners from Asia and other parts of the world are welcome to submit papers and panels to present your research, debate ideas, and discuss emerging issues, trends and challenges, as well as your solutions in public administration & policy and other fields. Through this event, we hope to develop and reflect on solutions and pathways for recovering from the pandemic and achieving the SDGs under new circumstances, create new theories of governance, and facilitate the exchange of intersectional and international knowledge.

Listed below are some non-exclusive sub-themes for your consideration:
- New theories of governance for Sustainable Development Goals

- Reducing poverty and hunger while promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion

- Nonprofit/NGO and volunteerism during times of crisis

- Innovative modes of public service delivery and administrative reform

- Innovation in intergovernmental, inter-jurisdictional, and regional collaboration

- COVID-19 responses to promote healthier and more sustainable cities

- Urban and community resilience for sustainable development

- Value co-creation/co-destruction for promoting/hindering sustainable development

- The use of emerging technologies to reshape society and governance

- Digital governance and smart solutions to the COVID-19 outbreak

- New theories and case studies from mega-city and rural governance

The 2022 AAPA Annual Conference will be jointly hosted by the Asian Association for Public Administration (AAPA) and China Institute for Urban Governance, School of International and Public Affairs at Shanghai Jiao Tong University in collaboration with the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS). The United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) will participate in and support the event through UNPAN and the Secretariat.

SUBMISSION GUIDANCE

Individual paper abstracts (limited to one page in length): All abstracts should include the following information: (1) the name, title, institutional affiliation, address, and a short bio of each contributing author; (2) email address; (3) paper title and its sub-theme; and (4) abstract including references. Proposed papers should present high-quality theoretical, qualitative, or quantitative research.

Panel proposals: Each panel will include 4-5 presenters for a 2-hour session and panel proposals should include: (1) the session title; (2) the institutional affiliations, addresses and short bios of the chair and the discussants; and (3) panelists and panel abstracts. **We particularly encourage the submission of panel proposals on cross-country and cross-region comparative studies**. Each panel will be encouraged to promote its own panel call so that the comparative studies can be enlarged as more as possible.

Paper abstracts and panel proposals will be reviewed and letters of acceptance will be sent to authors by email. Selected early-career scholars will have the opportunity to participate in a capacity building seminar on research design in September for free.

All proposals should be submitted through the following link
http://aapa2022.mikecrm.com/EkZJyFs

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract/Panel Proposal Submission Deadline: August 15th, 2022

Notification of Acceptance/Rejection to Authors: End of August, 2022

Young Scholar Paper Seminar: September 10th, 2022

Final Paper Submission Deadline and Online Registration: November 1st, 2022

Conference Check-in: December 2th, 2022

Conference Date: December 3th -4th, 2022

All presenters must register for the conference in order to have their presentation scheduled in the conference program.

REGISTRATION FEES

There is no registration fee for both online and on-site participation (if the pandemic situation allows). On-site participants are expected to cover their own travel cost and local expenses. More detailed information on the Online Registration will be available in October of 2022.

CONFERENCE VENUE and ACCOMMODATIONS

The main conference and the parallel sessions will be held at Xuhui Campus, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, 1954 Huashan Road, Xuhui, Shanghai. More detailed information about the conference venue and accommodations will be available in due course.

PUBLICATIONS

1. The authors of accepted papers in this conference will be contacted and invited to submit manuscripts to some developed journals. Guest editors of the symposiums are encouraged to organize closed-door workshops to polish research designs and prepare peer reviews for each journal.

2. We will invite distinguished journal editors to address the issues of paper submission and research design by young scholars at the Young Scholar Paper Seminar (September 3, 2022) and the Editor Forum (December 3 and 4, 2022).

AWARDS

The AAPA President will present the Best Paper Award to the author(s) who deliver the best papers(s) selected by a committee. To be considered for awards, the author(s) must submit the full paper to the conference organizer by the due date and complete the registration form.

CONTACT

To get more information about the conference and AAPA, please visit http://aapa.asia/ If you have other questions, comments, or concerns regarding conference submissions, please contact aapaoffice@163.com.