

# Call for Papers

South African Association of  
Public Administration and Management, in  
collaboration with the North-West  
University, hosts its

## 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference



### Theme

**BUILDING STATE CAPACITY FOR DEMOCRACY'S DEVELOPMENTAL MANDATE**

### Venue

**MMABATHO PALMS (MAHIKENG)  
4142 NELSON MANDELA STREET**

**Date: 8-11 May 2018**

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# **BUILDING STATE CAPACITY FOR DEMOCRACY'S DEVELOPMENTAL MANDATE**

The South African Association of Public Administration and Management (SAAPAM), in collaboration with the Department Public Administration within the Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences at North West University, will be hosting the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference at Mmabatho Palms in the North-West Province from 8-11 May 2018, under the theme "Building State Capacity for Democracy's Developmental Mandate". The four day conference will provide a platform for international and local academics, students and practitioners to share innovative ideas on democracy and state capacity. It takes place at a time when public institutions and state owned enterprises are found wanting in their ability to deliver on their developmental mandates. The sum total of underperforming state institutions and state owned enterprises is a weakening state which will in the long run fail to deliver on the public good. SAAPAM as a professional body has a responsibility to provide thought leadership regarding current Public Administration related issues, stimulate discourses and the building of a formidable body of knowledge for the discipline hence the choice of the theme.

The National Board of SAAPAM, in collaboration with the North West University, invites you to its 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. A plenary for the practitioners and academics is envisaged, where original research and ideas from the practice, theory or case study presentations and poster presentations on various aspects of P(p)ublic A(a)dmistration and sister disciplines related to the theme of the conference would be accommodated. Government officials are therefore as well strongly encouraged to submit papers for presentations based on their experiential insight in managing the dynamics of building state capacity. Original papers on the theme of the conference which seeks to inform theoretical and policy discourses on matters of building state capacity are hereby invited for presentation and possible publication in the *Journal of Public Administration*.

## **CONFERENCE THEMES**

The conference is divided into six interrelated themes which are outlined below.

### **Democracy, Leadership and Good Governance**

- Accountability and public value
- Developing a new crop of public sector leadership
- Responsible followers
- Arresting moral decay in leadership

### **Monitoring and Evaluation of Performance**

- Institutional and legislative framework for monitoring and evaluation
- Organisational performance and service delivery
- Active citizenry in monitoring government performance

### **Human Resource and Employment Practices**

- Training and development

Managing performance of employees

Talent management

Employee retention strategies

### **Managing and Safeguarding State Resources**

Corruption and state capture

Frugality in managing state funds

Supply chain successes and failures

### **Revitalizing the Economies of Rural Areas and Small Towns**

Public private partnerships in enhancing state capacity

Paving the path to realizing the NDP

Role of indigenous knowledge in rural development

Relevance of traditional leadership in development

### **Public Administration Research**

Scholarship of teaching and learning

Decolonizing Public Administration

State of research in Public Administration

Public administration curriculum

Abstracts of between 250-350 words should be submitted on or before **15 March 2018**. In the cover page of the abstract the following information need to be specified:

- (a) Title of Submission
- (b) Conference sub-theme
- (c) Name of author (s)
- (d) Institutional affiliation of author (s)
- (e) Address(es) of author (s)
- (f) E-mail address (es) of author (s)

Papers submitted for possible publication in the conference proceedings of the *Journal* should strictly adhere to the editorial policy requirements regarding specifications for manuscript submissions. The submission date for full papers is the **15 April 2018**. In keeping with the Editorial Policy of the *Journal of Public Administration*, all papers submitted by the due date shall be circulated anonymously to specialist referees for evaluation. It is only on the basis of the referees' reports that the Editor may either accept or reject any paper submitted for publication in the conference proceedings of the *Journal*. Except in special cases where prior permission has been obtained, papers should not exceed 5000 words. Prospective contributors are specifically requested to ensure that the language and technical aspects of their contributions are of high standard. In this regard, proof to this effect

would be required. Papers should be submitted electronically; typed in 1.5 line spacing, 12pt Times New Roman and accompanied by an English abstract of between 250 and 350 words. Since papers are circulated anonymously for evaluation, the name and affiliation of the author (s) should be on a separate page. Only the Harvard style will be accepted for references. Abstracts and full papers should be e-mailed to [SAAPAM@tut.ac.za](mailto:SAAPAM@tut.ac.za). By submitting a paper, you certify that all co-authors are aware of the submission and consent to presentation of the work. All submission must be in Microsoft word. Include the contact information for all authors on the first page of the document.

### **Benefits of attending the conference**

The conference provides an access to the formal communication network with SAAPAM members, and ample opportunity for networking and building bonds between practitioners, academics, researchers and other professionals in the discipline of Public Administration and Management.

### **Important dates (must be received at our office by)**

Submission of abstracts	<b>15 March 2018</b>
Notification of acceptance/ non-acceptance	<b>19 March 2018</b>
Submission of full papers	<b>15 April 2018</b>
Final payment for registration	<b>15 April 2018</b>
Late payment for registration	<b>20 April 2018</b>
Event dates	<b>8-11 May 2018</b>

### **Presentation Equipment**

Each conference room will be equipped with a laptop and LCD projector. The presentation rooms will not be equipped with an internet connection.

### **How to register**

Complete the attached Registration Form; fax or email it for the attention of the, SAAPAM Administrator at 012 382 9769 or [SAAPAM@tut.ac.za](mailto:SAAPAM@tut.ac.za). **Please remember to attach proof of payment.**

### **Conference Fees**

#### ***Deadline: 20 April 2018***

Conference registration fees are not refundable or transferable. Conference registration fee of R4000-00 per delegate (Members)/R4500-00 (non-members) are payable. Please note that this amount does not include accommodation. The booking and payment of accommodation is the (separate) responsibility of the delegate. Details about nearby guest houses and hotels are attached. Please note that this is a prepaid event. Payment and registration is required by 20 April 2018. Payments can be made to the following Bank Account:

Name of the Bank	: Standard Bank
Account Holder	: SAAPAM
Account Number	: 012580015
Branch Code	: 01-15-45-15

Kindly scan and email proof of payment for the attention of Ms. Margaret Mothusi at:  
[SAAPAM@tut.ac.za](mailto:SAAPAM@tut.ac.za)

**GALA DINNER**

Gala dinner will be held on Thursday, 10 May 2018 at 18h00.

**ACCOMMODATION (NEARER TO THE CONFERENCE VENUE)**

**Hotels and guest houses in Mahikeng**

**HOTELS**

**Protea Hotel**

Reservations manager: Masego Sebego  
80 Nelson Mandela Drive, Mahikeng (Mafikeng), 2745 A  
PO Box 891, Mahikeng (Mafikeng), 2745  
(018) 381-0400 / (086) 111-9000  
Fax (018) 381-4203

**Mmabatho Palms Hotel & Casino**

Address: 4142 Nelson Mandela Drive, Mmabatho, Mafikeng, North West  
E-mail(s): [info@nwtb.co.za](mailto:info@nwtb.co.za)/ [info@mmabathopalms.co.za](mailto:info@mmabathopalms.co.za)  
Contact Number: 018 386 2222/2121: 018 389 1181  
Fax: 018 386 2100

**GUEST HOUSES**

**Buffalo Park Lodge**

Cnr of Botha & Molopo Rd  
Mafikeng North West 2745.  
Tel : 018 381 2159  
Mobile: 018 584 0034  
Fax : 018 381 1359  
E-mail: [buffalopark@gmail.com](mailto:buffalopark@gmail.com)

**Royal Aloe**

c/o Shippard & Jacaranda Av, Riviera Park, Mahikeng North West  
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Mobile: 078 529 8219  
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**Lion's Rest Guest House**

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Mafikeng  
2745

## REGISTRATION FORM

### DELEGATE DETAILS

TITLE :  
FULL NAMES :  
SURNAME :  
ORGANISATION :  
DEPARTMENT :  
JOB TITLE :

### CONTACT DETAILS

TEL :  
CELL :  
EMAIL :  
FULL POSTAL ADDRESS :  
  
CITY :  
COUNTRY :

### DISABILITY ACCESS

My requirements are :

### SPECIAL REQUESTS

#### *Dietary requirements*

Vegetarian  Halaal  Diabetic  Other :

**PLEASE QUOTE DELEGATE`S FULL NAME WITH PAYMENT**

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