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**“GOVERNANCE CHALLENGES, SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY  
AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE MODERN STATE”**

# 2023 CALL FOR PAPERS

**13 - 15 September 2023**

**Holiday Inn, Sunnyside Park Hotel  
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## “GOVERNANCE CHALLENGES, SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MODERN STATE”

The **Organising Committee of the International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives (IPADA)** in collaboration with **Wits School of Governance** under the theme “**Governance Challenges, Sustainable Economy and the Administration of the Modern State**” invites submissions for its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference to be held at **Holiday Inn, Sunnyside Park Hotel, Johannesburg, South Africa** on 13-15 September 2023. The target delegates for the Conference are: Academics, Development experts, Public Administration Practitioners, Politicians, Local Government Officials and Post Graduate students.

### 1. THEMES OR TRACKS: ABSTRACTS OR PAPERS

1. Governance	<p>Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Context of Governance</li> <li>• Governance Models</li> <li>• Governance frameworks</li> <li>• Government, Governance and Governing</li> <li>• Good Governance versus Bad Governance</li> <li>• Governance Mechanisms</li> </ul>
2. Governance and Development	<p>Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good Governance and Development.</li> <li>• Development benefit and stakeholders</li> <li>• Development funding and Aid</li> <li>• Development Management and Governance</li> <li>• Development Projects and Communities</li> <li>• Development stakeholder challenges and problems</li> </ul>
3. Governance and Local Government Administration	<p>Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The notion of Local governance</li> <li>• Local Government stakeholders</li> <li>• Local Government Administration</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developmental Local Government</li> <li>• Local government Training</li> <li>• Local Government Research</li> <li>• Local Government Elections and politics</li> <li>• Local Government Finances</li> </ul>
4. African Public Administration and Governance?	<p>Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The African public administration and context</li> <li>• Traditional Institutions</li> <li>• African Governance systems</li> <li>• Chiefdoms and Kingships</li> <li>• Traditional governance</li> <li>• Culture and practices</li> </ul>
5. Governance and International relations	<p>Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good governance and international Institutions</li> <li>• International Financial Institutions</li> <li>• Foreign Aid</li> <li>• Globalization</li> <li>• Internationalization</li> <li>• Public administration and corruption</li> <li>• Case studies of effective public administration</li> <li>• Challenges and problems of public administration</li> </ul>
6. Good Governance and Public Administration	<p>Papers should look at and not limited to the status of public administration in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public administration and the public</li> <li>• Public administration machinery</li> <li>• Governance challenges within the public administration environment</li> <li>• Foreign governance models and the African environment</li> </ul>
7. Elections, Democracies and Governance	<p>Papers should address and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elections and the public</li> <li>• Democracy and Governance</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case studies of good governance and bad governance</li> <li>• Crisis of Governance in Developing countries</li> <li>• Elected officials and Governance</li> </ul>
8. Public Administration Ethics and Governance	<p>Papers in this category are to answer the moral administrative phenomenon in government.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corruption as a result of poor governance</li> <li>• Ethics and Governance</li> <li>• Moral based public administration</li> <li>• Effective Governance Models</li> </ul>
9. Public Administration Teaching Research and Governance	<p>These papers are to answer questions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Administration Curricula</li> <li>• Teaching methods and Strategies in Public Administration</li> <li>• Governance Research in Public Administration</li> <li>• New governance models discovered through the discipline?</li> <li>• Quality of Governance research in Public Administration</li> </ul>
10. Law, Sustainable Development and Administration	<p>These papers should answer questions on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law and sustainable development</li> <li>• Development law</li> <li>• Law and administration</li> <li>• Contemporary issues on law and administration</li> </ul>
11. Public Finance, Auditing and Financial Management	<p>These papers will answer questions relating to the management of public finances and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Auditing and effective public administration</li> <li>• Responsible Public financial management</li> <li>• Compliance and public accountability</li> <li>• Public participation in budgeting</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cooperative governance and auditing</li> </ul>
12. Sustainable and Political Economy	<p>These papers are to address specific questions of and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Global actors in politics, economy and culture</li> <li>Chinese economic growth partnerships in Africa.</li> <li>Political and economic models suitable for developing economies</li> <li>Sustainable Development Goals</li> </ul>
13. Global Politics and International Relations	<p>These papers are to address specific questions of and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public administration and the global community</li> <li>The global economic impact of the Ukraine-Russian War</li> <li>The sovereignty of states</li> <li>Global civil society</li> <li>The spillover effects of globalisation</li> </ul>
14. Defense, Safety and Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The papers in this category are to talk to issues relating and not limited to:</li> <li>United Nations Security Council</li> <li>Military interventions for global and regional peace</li> <li>Military role in Peace Keeping</li> <li>Peace and border controls</li> </ul>
15. Modern States	<p>Papers in this category shall focus on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The role of modern states in effective administration</li> <li>The modern state and public service delivery</li> <li>The modern state and the public affairs</li> <li>The modern state and international relations</li> </ul>
16. Education, Information Technology and Communication	<p>Papers in this category should focus on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher Educational institutions and Good governance</li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of educational institutions the country's economy</li> <li>• The role of public and private sector educational institutions in public administration?</li> <li>• Information and communication technology and security of the state</li> <li>• Technology, economy and political solutions</li> </ul>
17. Land Development and Agriculture	<p>Papers in this category should focus on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land ownership</li> <li>• The economy of land and the public</li> <li>• Land administration and governance</li> <li>• Land expropriations and agricultural economy</li> <li>• Land economics</li> </ul>
18. Business, Procurement and Entrepreneurship	<p>Papers in this category should answer to issues pertaining and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business and the economy</li> <li>• Entrepreneurship development and the economy</li> <li>• Business and politics of public administration</li> </ul>
17. Procurement and Value for Money	<p>Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procurement in public administration</li> <li>• Supply Chain Practices</li> <li>• Value for money in public procurement</li> </ul>
18. Human Resources and Labour Practices	<p>Papers in this category should focus on issues pertaining and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Labour movements</li> <li>• Human Resources</li> <li>• Labour politics</li> <li>• Labour economics</li> <li>• Trade Unionism</li> </ul>
19. Public Health and Social Development	<p>Papers in this category should focus on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Health policies</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Health programmes</li> <li>• Health facilities and access</li> <li>• General administration of health schemes and policies</li> </ul>
20. Public Transport, Logistics and Management	<p>Papers in this category are to focus and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public transport policies</li> <li>• Transport economics</li> <li>• Public transport research</li> <li>• Public sector transport management</li> </ul>
21. Higher Education Governance and Student Affairs	<p>Papers in this category are to focus on issues relating to and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of the State in higher education</li> <li>• Governance in higher education</li> <li>• Higher education and public administration</li> <li>• Higher education student affairs and the economy</li> </ul>

## 2. SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Delegates can submit abstracts of less than 350 words on any one or combination(s) of the specific themes stated above. However, each Delegate can only submit a maximum of three (3) abstracts. Abstracts should be sent to the Conference Chair at [lpadaconference@gmail.com](mailto:lpadaconference@gmail.com)

## 3. PAPER SUBMISSION & PUBLICATION OF THE CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Authors that need their papers to be published in the conference proceedings would have to submit their full papers before due date. Papers to be considered for publication will undergo a rigorous triple blind peer review process. Only papers that receive favourable review from the Specialist referees selected by the Organising Committee will be considered for publication. Selected papers will be published in the ***International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives*** (ISBN: 978-0-6397-5359-1 print; and ISBN: 978-0-6397-5360-7 e-book).

## 4. MANUSCRIPT GUIDELINES

**Abstract:** Delegates are expected to submit abstracts of not more than 350 words in line with above stated themes. Submission of abstracts should constitute two pages; 1) Title page that includes Title of submission, Name of Author, Affiliation and Contact Information

as well as the Theme of their choice, 2) the second page must only have the Title of the Paper proposed and the Abstract. The submission date of this part is **30 April 2023**.

**The Paper:** Full papers should be submitted on or before **31 July 2023** for peer review consideration. Papers should be written in Cambria Math 12pt, 1.5 line-spacing and justified margins with the following guidelines:

- The paper should include title page (title, author (s) names, and affiliations), abstract including five keywords (350 words), the main body, conclusion and reference.
- The length of the paper should be confined to a range of 4500-6000 words.
- The title of the paper should be descriptive and concise. Authors are encouraged to avoid wordy titles.
- Papers should be divided into subheadings and be paginated.
- Authors are limited to submit at maximum two (2) papers for publication in the conference proceedings. No more than two papers will be published in the conference proceedings. However, authors may present more than two papers.
- The editorial team will subject all abstracts and papers to a triple blind review, though the decision of the editorial team on the acceptability of the paper cannot be contested.

## 5. REFERENCE STYLE

1. The reference style required for submission is strictly *Harvard*. Authors are required to follow this style specification consistently. The editorial team will reject papers with faulty referencing.
2. For *direct quotations*, authors should use double quotation marks (and a single quotation for within the quotes) and page numbers should be provided for direct quoted material as illustrated below:

“Public administration is concerned with application of resources to deliver political ends” (Sebola, 2012:45).

3. Where multiple-sources citations are used within text, they should be arranged chronologically of years they are published (Sebola, 2019; Tsheola, 2020; Molokwane & Sebola, 2021; Mamabolo and Malatjie, 2022). Authors should observe closely the use of alphabetic order for sources published in the same year (Mamabolo, 2021; Sebola, 2021; Tsheola & Sebola, 2021).
4. Multiple-Authors (more than two): authors are advised to mention all the authors at first use within text and state first author's surname *et al.* in subsequent uses (all authors must be mentioned in the list of reference). Authors are advised to use



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6. Reference should be arranged in alphabetic order at the end of the paper; under the heading References; and this heading and citation details or references should not be numbered.
7. Acknowledgements should be inserted at the end of the paper just above the list of references, under the heading acknowledgements and should not be numbered.
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  - b) Edited Books: Sebola M.P. & Tsheola J.P., (eds.) 2014. *E-governance in complex organisations*. Cape Town: Juta & Co.
  - c) Chapter in Edited Book: Ndou, S.D., 2014. The Complexity of networked organisations. In Sebola M.P & Tsheola J.P (eds.) *E-governance in Complex organisations*. Cape Town: Juta & Co.
  - d) Journal Article: Mamabolo, M.A., 2020. Government and Society at the Edge of Chaos: *Journal of Complex Socials*, 32(1): 344-362.
  - e) Institutional Authors: Republic of South Africa –RSA (1996) – first use RSA (1996) – subsequent use: Republic of South Africa (RSA), 1996. *The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa*. Pretoria: Government Printers.
  - f) Internet Sources: The Republic of South Africa (RSA), 2013. Growth and employment indicators. <http://www.polity.org.za/govdocs/policy/grow/> . Accessed 14 January 2016.

## 6. REGISTRATION FEES

Fees		
Delegates	National Delegates	R 6500
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## 8. IMPORTANT DATES

Important Dates	
Submission of Abstracts	30 April 2023
Submission of Full Papers	31 July 2023
Submission of Revised Papers	27 October 2023
Conference Registration Fees	01 June 2023
Gala-Dinner	14 September 2023
Conference Days	13-15 September 2023

## 9. CONFERENCE VENUE: HOLIDAY INN, SUNNYSIDE PARK HOTEL, JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

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## 10. ACCOMMODATION/ BOOKINGS

Delegates are responsible for arranging and paying for their own accommodation. Arrangements can be made directly with the **Holiday Inn, Sunnyside Park Hotel** on the above mentioned contacts.

## 11. CONTACT PERSON

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