1st ANNOUNCEMENT AND 1ST CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Hosted by ASSADPAM in conjunction with the Department of Public Administration and Management, University of South Africa (Unisa)
Venue: KleinKaap, Centurion, Gauteng

CONFERENCE THEME

A CALL FOR ACTION: A Reflection of Tenets of Public Administration

Public administration and management has remained predominantly silent during times of political interference in administration processes, economic crises, corruption, state capture and a fast-changing and unpredictable global environment. In 2019, we call the discipline of Public Administration and Management to action. How should the subject public administration and management as well as public servants respond to these challenges?

What aspects of public administration and management remain relevant in our current state and global environment?

Should there be more emphasis on administrative justice and the prevention of corruption?

The 2019 ASSADPAM Conference, which will take place in Centurion, Gauteng from 25–27 September 2019, aims to provide a platform for Southern African Schools and Departments of Public Administration and Management to network around the following sub-themes:
### SUB-THEMES

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<th>Sub-theme 1: Rethinking the ethical dilemmas in public administration and how it affects the public servants</th>
<th>Sub-theme 2: Rethinking the role, responsibility and future of public administration</th>
<th>Sub-theme 3: Rethinking the contribution of academia towards the public service</th>
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<td>• What is the role of public servants in the prevention of unethical conduct?</td>
<td>• Are public servants still serving the needs of citizens?</td>
<td>• Did academia lose its voice?</td>
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<td>• How can public servants prevent ‘state capture’?</td>
<td>• Are the Batho Pele principles still relevant in the 21st century?</td>
<td>• Do academics still have a voice?</td>
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<td>• How can public servants prevent political interference in administrative processes?</td>
<td>• Is the Constitution still a significant guideline for public servants?</td>
<td>• What should the future curriculum and research focus of universities entail?</td>
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<td>• Is service delivery in SA characterised by ethical values/leadership?</td>
<td>• What qualities are expected from a future public sector leader?</td>
<td>• What role should academia play in support of good governance?</td>
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<td>• Do public servants think creative, innovative and entrepreneurial?</td>
<td>• What are the challenges faced by academia in supporting government?</td>
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<td>• To what extent has the political administrative interface evolved?</td>
<td>• How do academia influence the policies of the public service?</td>
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### CALL FOR ABSTRACTS/FULL PAPERS:

When submitting an abstract, authors are requested to follow the proposed structure:

- Name, surname, institution, contact details
- Sub-theme
- Topic
- Purpose of the envisaged paper
- Design/methodology/approach applied
- Main findings
- Practical implications
- Originality/value

**ABSTRACT – Length: 500 words**

**FULL PAPER – Length: 3 000 words**

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2019:

**Call for abstracts opens:** 1 February  
**Closing date to submit abstracts:** 1 May  
**Notification of abstract acceptance:** 1 June  
**Call for full papers opens:** 15 June  
**Closing date to submit full papers:** 31 July  
**Online conference registration opens:** 30 July  
**Conference registration closes:** 6 September
## Conference Framework

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<td>Emerging researchers workshop</td>
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<td>10:00 ASSADPAM Exco meeting</td>
<td>16:00 Administratio Publica editorial committee meeting</td>
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<td>12:00 Registration</td>
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<td>13:00 Opening</td>
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<td>Informal networking event</td>
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## Conference Fees

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<td>Academic institutional member</td>
<td>R2 300.00</td>
<td>Parallel sessions starting Thursday 26 September at 9:00 and closing on Friday 27 September at 12:00.</td>
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<td>Non-members</td>
<td>R2 500.00</td>
<td>Informal and formal networking events on 25 and 26 September</td>
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<td>Full-time students providing proof of registration &amp; registered postgraduate students presenting papers</td>
<td>R1 000.00</td>
<td>Conference bag, stationery, Book exhibitions</td>
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## Accommodation

**HOTEL/GUESTHOUSE**

- KleinKaap Boutique Hotel (4-star hotel)
- Protea Hotel by Marriot Pretoria Centurion (4-star hotel)
- Forever Hotel @ Centurion (4-star hotel)
- Leriba Hotel (4-star hotel)
- The Centurion Hotel (4-star hotel)
- Lapalosa Lodge (4-star guesthouse)
- Aandbloem Guesthouse (4-star guesthouse)
- LightStone Guesthouse (3-star guesthouse)
- Pilgrims Delight B&B (3-star guesthouse)
- Tuishuis Lodge (2-star guesthouse)

**WEBSITE**

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- [http://www.centurionhotel.co.za/](http://www.centurionhotel.co.za/)
- [http://leriba.co.za/](http://leriba.co.za/)
- [https://www.legacyhotels.co.za/en](https://www.legacyhotels.co.za/en)
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