



Association for Middle Eastern Public Policy and Administration
The 6th Global Conference

CALL FOR PAPERS

Public Administration in the Middle East
Challenges and Opportunities

December 17-18, 2017

Hosted by Kuwait University
Kuwait

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The Association for Middle Eastern Public Policy and Administration (AMEPPA) is pleased to announce the Sixth Global Conference on Public Policy and Administration in the Middle East. This conference will convene at Kuwait University on December 17 and 18, 2017 in Kuwait.

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Conference Tracks

- Public Administration in the Middle East: What is Working and What is Not?
- Transforming Public Administration in the Middle East to the 21st Century: A Learning Curve.
- Academic- Practitioners Partnership: Meeting the Public Needs.
- Evidence-Based Research and Public Administration in the Middle East.
- Curriculum and Pedagogy: The Challenges of Teaching Public Administration in the Middle East.
- Innovation versus Traditions: The Challenges of e-Public Service.
- Effective Communication in the Age of the Internet: Toward an Effective Public Forum.
- Learning from Other Models: Bridging Globalization with Regionalism.
- Coordination, Access and Transparency versus Efficiency and Effectiveness.
- Civic Society and Public Participation: Toward a New Public-Private Partnership.



Submission of Proposals

Proposals are accepted in both English and Arabic. Please send your abstract to: president@ameppa.org no later than **November 25, 2017**.

Proposals should identify the conference track where the paper should be placed, and include the title of the paper, a description of the paper and underlying research, contact information, and the names and institutional affiliations of the authors.

The organizers particularly welcome panel proposals, which should identify the title of the panel and the conference track where the panel should be placed, and include the titles and descriptions of the papers, the names and institutional affiliations of the panel convener and authors, and their contact information.

The conference committee will notify authors and panel conveners by November 28th /2017. If circumstances prevent attendance, the conference committee asks that the author arrange to have the paper delivered by co-author or substitute.



Students and Junior Scholars

The conference committee would like to invite junior scholars and graduate student who are interested in public policy and public administration in the Middle East to submit paper and panel proposals.

Publication Opportunities

Authors will receive the opportunity to have their papers published in the Proceedings of the Sixth Global Conference on Public Policy and Administration in the Middle East, which will be organized by AMEPPA. Authors may also be invited to submit their papers in a peer reviewed journal the *Middle East Review of Public Administration (MERPA)*.

Registration and Expenses

The conference registration is **free**, but advanced registration for the conference is required. Please register by sending an email to president@ameppa.org no later than December 3, 2017. Conference participants are responsible for organizing their own travel arrangements, and for covering the costs and expenses associated with such travel arrangements, including but not limited to: accommodations, meals, visa arrangements and transportation. A limited number of reduced-rate hotel rooms would be announced when available.

Additional Information

Additional information about the conference location, the host, **visa requirements**, hotels, and transportation will be posted on the AMEPPA website: <http://www.ameppa.org>.



About AMEPPA

The Association for Middle Eastern Public Policy and Administration (AMEPPA) is a scholarly professional network dedicated to advancing peace and prosperity in the Middle East through sound governance. AMEPPA is committed to developing local, regional, and global networks that will support the advance of public service activities within the Middle East. Some of AMEPPA's goals are:

- Functioning as a professional organization of both academics and practitioners of public policy and public administration.
- Providing a medium for public policy experts and public administrators to share their expertise and experiences with each other.

- Devising mechanisms to help the public of Middle Eastern countries to participate in the improvement of public services.
- Building relationships with other international and national professional organizations devoted to public service.
- Helping to increase the quality of teaching and education in public policy and administration by encouraging its members to share their experiences and expertise.
- Collecting, compiling, and disseminating of information on matters relating to public policy and administration in the Middle East.
- Encouraging the application of rigorous ethical and intellectual standards in the research applications and professional practice of public policy and administration.

The organization carries out its functions in the following ways:

- Organizing and participating in the organization of global and regional conferences on the issues of public policy and administration in the Middle East.
- Conducting workshops and training sessions for practitioners of public policy and administration in the Middle East.
- Publishing and contributing to the publications of journals and books on issues related to public policy and administration in the Middle East.



AMEPPA networks with many institutions of higher learning and professional organization dedicated to public policy and administration issues in the world, among those are the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), the United Nations Public Administration Network (UNPAN), American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS), International Political Science Association (IPSA), International Comparative Policy Analysis Forum (ICPA-Forum), and the African Association for Public Administration and Management (AAPAM).

Past conferences include:

- The First Global Conference on Sound Governance: the Key to Peace and Prosperity in the Middle East (November, 2012) Al Akhawayn University, Ifrane, Morocco.
- The Second Global Conference on Crisis Management from within: Governing Chaotic Situations (November, 2013) Atılım University, Ankara, Turkey.
- The Third Global Conference on Public Sector Governance in the Middle East: The Design and Management Reform (Re) Considered (December 2014) American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon.
- The Forth Global Conference on Strengthening governance to deliver social justice, economic opportunity, and accountability (December, 2015) American University of Cairo, Cairo, Egypt.
- The Fifth Global Conference on Sustainable Development, Food Sovereignty and Transparency” (December 2016) Al-Quds University, West Bank, Palestine.

