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“ REVITALISING PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION,  
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## CALL FOR PAPERS



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**International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives  
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**“REVITALISING PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC  
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The organising committee of The International Conference on Public Administration and Development Alternatives (IPADA) under the theme **“Revitalising public administration, Development and Economic Growth”** invites submissions for its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference to be held at **Southern Sun Elangeni & Maharani, Durban, South Africa** on 01-03 July 2020. 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. Local Government Administration Politics and Skills Training	Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The capability of local government in providing service delivery</li><li>• Challenges of capacity in local government administration</li><li>• Training in Local Government education</li><li>• Areas of research in Local Government</li><li>• Local Government Elections and politics</li><li>• Local government finances</li></ul>
2. African public administration?	Papers in this category are to look at and not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The notion of African public administration</li><li>• Decolonisation of public administration</li><li>• Afrocentricity and African governments</li><li>• Ubuntu and administration</li></ul>
3. Public administration and Service Delivery	Papers should look at and not limited to the status of public administration in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• its current weakness and strengths?</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public administration machinery</li> <li>• Challenges of service delivery through public administration machineries</li> </ul>
4. Elections and democracies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Papers should address and not limited to:</li> <li>• Significance of elections</li> <li>• Case studies of elections problems in Africa and beyond</li> <li>• Elections as a true reflection of democracy</li> <li>• Africa and democracy</li> </ul>
5. Public administration and ethics	<p>Papers in this category are to answer the moral administrative phenomenon in government.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ethical challenges facing public administration</li> <li>• Ethical problems in public administration</li> <li>• Moral based public administration</li> <li>• African models suitable to reduce moral degradation in public administration</li> </ul>
6. Public Administration Teaching and Research	<p>These papers are to answer questions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching methods and Strategies in Public Administration</li> <li>• What is the status of Public Administration research?</li> <li>• What are the levels of theoretical discussions in the discipline?</li> <li>• Are there new theoretical developments in the discipline?</li> <li>• Quality of research in Public Administration</li> </ul>
7. Development and Development projects	<p>These papers should answer questions on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The level of development projects implemented in Government.</li> <li>• The constraints of development projects</li> <li>• Quality of development projects</li> <li>• Project deliveries in government</li> </ul>

8. 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 problems in public administration?</li> <li>• Status of public financial management and its problems</li> <li>• Compliance in public financial management</li> </ul>
9. Africa in the Global Environment or International relations	<p>These papers are to address specific African questions of and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Africa and its relation to the global community.</li> <li>• The role of Africa in the global politics, economy and culture</li> <li>• Africa and the Chinese development partnerships</li> <li>• Africa and the economy</li> </ul>
10. 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>• Defense and security matters</li> <li>• Military interventions for regional peace</li> <li>• Military role in sustainable development</li> <li>• Peace and border controls</li> </ul>
11. Economic growth	<p>Papers in this category shall focus on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government and Economic growth</li> <li>• Poverty alleviation and Job creation</li> <li>• improved livelihoods</li> <li>• Strategies for improving economy</li> </ul>
12. 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>• Educational institutions and role in public administration</li> <li>• Educational institutions and the economy</li> <li>• The role of public and private sector educational institutions in development and administration?</li> <li>• The status of information</li> </ul>



	<p>and communication technology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technology and the economy</li> <li>• 4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolution and development</li> </ul>
13. Land and Agriculture	<p>Papers in this category should focus on and not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of land in poverty alleviation</li> <li>• Land and development</li> <li>• Land Administration</li> <li>• Land expropriations and political disasters in Africa</li> <li>• Land economics</li> </ul>
14 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>• Procurement in public administration</li> <li>• Entrepreneurship development and the economy</li> <li>• Business and politics of public administration</li> </ul>
15. 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 and skills development</li> <li>• Labour politics</li> <li>• Labour economics</li> <li>• Trade Unionism</li> <li>• Employee relation and theories</li> </ul>
16. 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>• Health policies and the health of citizens</li> <li>• Health programmes and implementation</li> <li>• Health facilities and access</li> <li>• National health Insurance scheme</li> <li>• General administration of health schemes and policies</li> </ul>
17 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> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Violence in transport industry</li> <li>• Public transport research</li> <li>• Transport design and road networks</li> <li>• Public sector transport management</li> </ul>
18 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>• Governance in higher education</li> <li>• Higher education and public administration</li> <li>• Higher education student affairs</li> <li>• Student affairs and the economy</li> </ul>

## 2. SUBMISSION OF ABSRACTS

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 abstracts. Abstracts should be sent to the Conference Chair at [mokoko.sebola@ul.ac.za](mailto:mokoko.sebola@ul.ac.za) or [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 31 March 2020. 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: 978-0-9921971-9-3 print) and (ISBN: 978-0-9921971-8-6 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 31 January 2020.

**The paper:** Full papers should be submitted on or before 31 March 2020 for peer review consideration. Papers should be written in Aerial 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, 2010; Tsheola, 2011; Ndou & Sebola, 2013; Mamabolo and Ndou, 2015). Authors should observe closely the use of alphabetic order for sources published in the same year (Mamabolo, 2010; Sebola; 2010; Tsheola & Sebola, 2010).
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 ampersand (&) instead of the word “and” for multiple authors sources (Nemukula & Newton, 2014).
5. Where there is more than one reference from the same author(s) in the same year, they should be identified using letters “a”, “b” and so on, after the year of publication (Mgiba, 2012a) or (Mgiba, 2012b).

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.
8. Reference layout:
  - a) Book: Sedibe (2010) - Author as part of text; (Sedibe, 2010) – Author as not part of the text; Sedibe (2002:150) – Direct quotation; Sedibe (2010, cited in Ndou, 2013: 119) – indirect quote within quote. Sedibe, S.J., 2010. *Governance in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: A guide for developing Countries*. London: SAGE.
  - 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., 2016. 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 5 500.00
	International delegates	\$ 350
	Students	R 3 800.00

## 7. PAYMENTS OF REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fees are payable through the following bank details:

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## **8. CONFERENCE VENUE**

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## **9. ACCOMMODATION**

Delegates are responsible for arranging and paying for their own accommodation. Arrangements can be made directly with the Southern Sun Elangeni & Maharani on the below mentioned contacts.

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## **10. IMPORTANT DATES**

Important Dates	
Submission of Abstracts	31 January 2020
Submission of Full Papers	31 March 2020
Submission of Revised Papers	01 June 2020
Conference Registration Fees	31 May 2020
Gala-Dinner	02 July 2020
Conference Days	01-03 July 2020



## **11. CONTACT PERSON**

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