

UKPAC prize

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The United Kingdom Public Administration Consortium is pleased to announce its 2007 annual competition. A prize will be awarded for an outstanding article or chapter in the field of public administration or public management that has been published recently in a professional or an academic journal, or in an anthology.

In 2006 the full UKPAC prize was won by Chris Skelcher, Navdeep Mathur and Mike Smith from the University of Birmingham's School of Public Policy. The title of their winning article was *The Public Governance of Collaborative Spaces: Discourse, Design and Democracy*.

This year's prize will be reimbursement of the costs (capped at £1,000) of attending any annual conference of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) or European Group of Public Administration (EGPA), up to the end of 2008.

The winner will also be awarded the UKPAC prize medal and certificate and a two year subscription to the *International Review of Administrative Sciences*.

In addition, for academic entrants (staff or postgraduate students), book tokens to the value of £300 may be awarded to the winner's employing university/college or department.

Although there is no age limit, the competition is intended to encourage the participation of relatively young or new academics and practitioners in the work of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) and its affiliate bodies. It is open to any UK citizen or to anyone employed or resident in the UK at the time that the winning entry was published.

The judges will be looking for published work in any field of public administration or public management that makes a particularly important and original contribution to theory and/or practice in these fields. Contributions from cognate disciplines (such as public law, organisational psychology or sociology) will be eligible for consideration.





The requirements of the competition are as follows:

- (i) Entry is not restricted to publications in UK books and journals. However, the publication must be in the English language.
- (ii) Publication must have taken place since 1 January 2006.
- (iii) The length of items submitted must be between 5,000 and 10,000 words.
- (iv) Items deemed eligible will include articles and book chapters. Other categories of publication such as pamphlets, reports and occasional papers may also be considered, at the judges' discretion.
- (v) Jointly-authored work will be eligible for consideration, but in the event of such work being the winning entry only one prize will be awarded. All the authors of such work must have given written permission (see (vi)) for its submission to the competition.
- (vi) Academics and practitioners are invited to nominate the work of colleagues for consideration, but entries may also be self-nominated. All the authors of items submitted must have given written consent for their work to be considered. **Four hard copies (offprints or clear photocopies) of entries must be submitted.**

The closing date for submission is **15 June 2007**, and this deadline will be strictly enforced. The competition will be judged by a panel comprising academics and practitioners, and the results will be announced by the beginning of August 2007. Each entry must be accompanied by an entry form, signed by the author(s) of the item submitted and by any other person who is nominating the entry. Forms may be obtained from **Charlotte McKinley, National Audit Office, 157-197 Buckingham Palace Road, Victoria, London SW1W 9SP**, email, charlotte.mckinley@nao.gsi.gov.uk (to whom forms and entries should be sent), or from the UKPAC website, www.ukpac.org. Entries will not be returned.

The judges reserve the right not to make an award if they consider that none of the entries reaches the appropriate standard. The decisions of the judges are final, and the judges will not enter into any correspondence concerning their adjudications.

The UKPAC is a partnership enabling the UK to belong to the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS): members are the Joint University Council Public Administration Committee (www.juc.ac.uk), the National School of Government (www.nationalschool.gsi.gov.uk), the National Audit Office (www.nao.org.uk), the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (www.cipfa.org.uk), Public Administration International (www.public-admin.co.uk) and Electronic Data Systems Ltd (www.eds.com).