



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
AND
L'ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE DE RECHERCHE EN MANAGEMENT PUBLIC**

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Founded in 1939, the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) is the largest and most prominent professional association for public administration. With a diverse membership of 8,000 practitioners, scholars and students, ASPA serves as the principal arena for linking theory and practice in the field of public and non-profit administration. It focuses its efforts on five major areas:

1. Advancing the art, science, teaching, and practice of public and non-profit administration.
2. Promoting the value of joining and elevating the public service profession.
3. Building bridges among all who pursue public purposes at home and internationally.
4. Providing networking and professional development opportunities to those committed to public service values.
5. Achieving innovative solutions to the challenges of governance.

L'ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE DE RECHERCHE EN MANAGEMENT PUBLIC

L'Association Internationale de Recherche en Management Public (International Association for Research in Public Management or AIRMAP) is an international network of experts, researchers, professors and managers speaking French in public administration. AIRMAP has approximately 1,000 members, including institutions, public sector professionals, scholars and students.

AIRMAP's goals are to spread public administration knowledge, to structure research by publishing articles in renowned scientific reviews and to improve quality of teaching programs in public administration. To achieve these aims, AIRMAP organizes international conferences, publishes a review of public management (GMP), coordinates research programs and works in partnership with the network of public service schools, particularly with the National Conference of IPAG-CPAG.

PURPOSE OF COLLABORATION

ASPA and AIRMAP are collaborating for the purpose of developing a relationship to cultivate international research and scholarship in public administration and management. The goal of this collaboration is to highlight interdisciplinary research being conducted by members of ASPA and AIRMAP. ASPA and AIRMAP are committed to the profession of public administration and work to promote public administration theory, study, and practice.

Initiatives

- Reciprocal participation of ASPA and AIRMAP members, particularly those interested in international administration, to become involved in ASPA’s and AIRMAP’s programs.
- Development of a mechanism for participation and involvement in each organization’s events, conferences and meetings.
- Mutual communication between and among ASPA and AIRMAP members for each organization’s calls for proposals, conference information, and publication opportunities.
- Participation of ASPA members in AIRMAP 5th Symposium at the Université de Poitiers, scheduled for June 2-3, 2016, and in future such symposia.
- Participation of AIRMAP members in the ASPA annual conference, scheduled for March 18-22, 2016 in Seattle, Washington, and in future such annual conferences. Additionally, participation of AIRMAP members in the 12th Transatlantic Dialogue at Ghent University, scheduled for June 8-11, 2016, and in future such dialogues hosted by ASPA and the European Group on Public Administration.

Information Responsibilities

ASPA and AIRMAP will publicize this partnership through appropriate channels including the organizations’ websites and social media platforms.

Financial Responsibilities

ASPA and AIRMAP will not provide financial compensation for the participants. The members engaged in this collaboration understand that participation is voluntary.

Term Limit

This memorandum expires four (4) years after the date of signature below. It can be modified by written notification of both organizations.

This memorandum of understanding is not a legally binding document. It is intended to establish communication and collaboration between the two organizations.

Signatures:

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