Asian Group for Public Administration (AGPA)  
2012 Annual Conference  
May 8-10, Maldives

We are happy to inform that the 2012 Conference of Asian Group for Public Administration (AGPA) will take place in Bandos Island Resort, Maldives from May 8-10, 2012. The conference is organised in collaboration with Civil Service Commission of Maldives, and the Commission is celebrating its 4th anniversary on 1st of May of 2012.

Asian Group for Public Administration (AGPA) is a regional affiliation of International Institute of Administrative Science (IIAS), a global organisation based in Brussels and established in 1930. AGPA is aimed to be a platform enlarging the network in Asian countries and regions, and promoting the development of theoretical research and practical innovation in public administration in Asia AGPA welcomes not only researchers and academics but also practitioners from all levels of government and the public sector in Asia.

The Organizing Committee has the honor and pleasure to cordially invite scholars and practitioners in the field of public administration to participate in the meeting and submit papers on the theme. The main theme of AGPA 2012 Conference is: Local Governance and Reform: Service Delivery, Transparency and Accountability. The three sub-themes are:

1. Local governance: bringing government closer to people
2. Identify priority projects for local collaboration and development
3. Accountability and resource management in local government
The workshops will be coordinated by the General rapporteur and three duos of academic rapporteurs and practitioner rapporteurs.

In addition, AGPA will launch a joint research project on the topic of the Standards of Public Service. The research group will also hold a panel during the meeting.

There is no registration fee for the meeting. Accommodation has been arranged at Bandos Island Resort. The resort has agreed to provide a discounted rate for Foreign and local participants during the period. The rates are attached as Annex I. It would be appreciated if you could confirm your availability with the Organizing Committee and send the confirmation forms back via e-mail to: iiasagpa@gmail.com before March 20, 2012.

We hope every delegate could participate and make a short presentation, and then take part in a discussion in the Seminar. We would like you to submit your electronic copies of papers (3000-5000 words) or presentation PPT (no less than 20 minutes) to the following e-mail address: iiasagpa@gmail.com no later than March 20, 2012.

We look forward to welcoming you to AGPA and the meeting this May/June in Maldives.

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CONFIRMATION OF ATTENDANCE FORM

Invitation to AGPA 2012 Annual Conference in Maldives

I hereby confirm that I/ my representative shall be able to attend the AGPA 2012 Annual Conference during May 8-10, 2012 in Bandos Island Resort.

My/my representative contact details are as follows:

Name (Sir/ Madam): _________________ Title: __________________________
Name of Institution: _________________________________________________
Tel: _______________________        Fax: _______________
Email: ____________________________________________________________

Topic Preference:
1. Subtheme one: Local governance: bringing government closer to people
2. Subtheme Two: Setting priorities for cooperative local development
3. Subtheme three: Accountability and resource management in local government
4. AGPA Research Project—Standards of Public Service

Your Topic:

Please return this confirmation form and your paper or PPT before March. 20, 2012 to

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Annex I
Discounted accommodation rate for foreign participants
at Bandos Island Resort and SPa

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Check-in time is 1400hrs. Check-out time is 1200hrs.

**TRANSFER CHARGES** (Airport/Bandos/Airport):
US$62.00 per Adult and US$31.00 per Child by speedboat

All rates quoted are subject to 3.5% Tourism Goods & Service Tax & 10% Service Charge.