Introduction to the Conference

How can we improve leadership in the public sector, and what is the role of political and administrative leaders in shaping the future of the public sector? This is a central theme in American and European public administration. Cross-fertilization through joined dialog will strengthen and broaden the knowledge base of the field. The Third Transatlantic Dialogue (3TAD) aspires to be a sequel to the first two successful transatlantic dialogues—Ethics and Integrity of Governance, held in 2005, and A Performing Public Sector, held in 2006. Jointly organized by an American (ASPA) and European (EGPA) network on public administration and public personnel policies, the conference aims to strengthen cooperation among European and American scholars.

Conference Location

The conference is hosted by the School of Urban Affairs & Public Policy at the University of Delaware (UD) in Newark, Delaware. Located in the northeast corridor of the United States, Newark is an hour from Philadelphia and Baltimore and two hours from New York and Washington, D.C. The conference venue will be held in the University’s conference facilities with an adjoining Marriott Courtyard operated by students, faculty, and staff from the Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management program at UD.

Preliminary Schedule

Thursday, May 31
9:00  Registration & Welcome Coffee
10:00–12:00  Opening Plenary and Keynote Speeches
12:00–1:30  Lunch
1:30–3:00  Workshop Meetings
3:30–5:45  Workshop Meetings
6:00–8:30  Dinner

Friday, June 1
8:00  Continental Breakfast
9:30–11:00  Workshop Meetings
11:30–12:45  Workshop Meetings
12:45–2:00  Lunch
2:00–3:30  Workshop Meetings
4:00–5:30  Leadership Workshop Discussion
6:00–7:30  Reception

Saturday, June 2
8:00  Continental Breakfast
9:30–11:00  Workshop Meetings
11:00–12:30  Closing Plenary
12:30–1:00  Box Lunch
1:00  Opportunity to see Historic and Scenic Philadelphia, Pa., USA

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At the core of the conference will be **six workshops**. These will be jointly chaired by American and European conveners and participants will consist of an internationally mixed audience. The conference keynote speakers and leadership workshop are open to all interested, but participants in workshops will be expected to prepare a paper, subscribe to one workshop, and to participate actively in the sessions. We will actively pursue publication opportunities.

The keynote speakers will be Patricia Ingraham from Binghamton University, College of Community and Public Affairs, and Christopher Hood from All Souls College, University of Oxford. A Leadership workshop will be led by Robert Denhardt, featuring his new book, “The Dance of Leadership.” Closing Plenary will feature Geert Bouckaert from KU Leuven and two Americans to be announced.

**Workshops**

The organizing committee of the conference invites papers on the topics of six workshops.

**Workshop 1**
Leading for the Future (chairs Jim Svara and Eckhard Schröter)

**Workshop 2**
Diverse Leaders and Leading a Diverse Workforce (chairs Meredith Newman and Annie Hondeghem)

**Workshop 3**
Training and Developing Leaders (chairs Richard Callahan and Sylvia Horton)

**Workshop 4**
Leading in a Multi-Sector Environment (chairs Kathy Denhardt and Peter Leisink)

**Workshop 5**
Leadership and the New Public Management (chairs Maria Aristigueta and Per Lagreid)

**Workshop 6**
Ethical Leadership in the Context of Globalization (chairs Guy Adams and Alan Lawton)

A full call for papers, a provisional conference program and all practical information are available at the conference website: [www.ipa.udel.edu/3tad](http://www.ipa.udel.edu/3tad). Paper abstracts should be submitted before December 15, 2006.

**Organizing Committee**

Maria Aristigueta, Annie Hondeghem, Guy Adams, Peter Leisink

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**Conference Co-Sponsors**

University of Delaware’s School of Urban Affairs & Public Policy and Katholieke Universiteit Leuven’s Instituut voor de Overheid (Public Management Institute)

**Information on Fees and Accommodations**

Online registration and most current information available at [www.ipa.udel.edu/3tad](http://www.ipa.udel.edu/3tad).

**Accommodations** (conference rates)

- $134, plus tax per night for Courtyard Marriott Hotel
- $43 per night (single occupancy) at UD’s new George Read Residence Hall (full service)
- $35 per night (double occupancy) at UD’s new George Read Residence Hall (full service)

**Registration fee**

ASPA and EGPA members: $315 U.S. (includes conference participation, documentation, 3 continental breakfasts, coffee breaks, three lunches, a dinner, and a reception).

Non-member participants: $440 U.S.

Doctoral students: $75 U.S.

Accompanying person: $65 U.S.

Plenary Speeches, Leadership Discussion plus lunch, reception, and dinner: $95 U.S.