#### **Conference Fees**

The conference fee includes participation in the scientific programme and access to all conference materials, 2 conference lunches (May 18 and 19, 2017) and participation in 2 social evenings (May 18 and 19, 2017).

	Fees until March 31, 2017	Fees from April 1, 2017
Participants from NISPAcee Institutional*, Governmental* and Individual Members (from the NISPAcee region)	280€	380€
NISPAcee Non-Members (from the NISPAcee region)	390€	490€
Participants from NISPAcee Associate Members* and NISPAcee Individual Members (outside the NISPAcee region)	390€	490€
NISPAcee Non-Members (outside the NISPAcee region)	490€	590€
PhD Students from NISPAcee Member Institutions and Individual Members (with paper presentation and based on written confirmation of the PhD status submitted to NISPAcee Headquarters)	140€	240€
PhD Students from Non-Member Institutions (with paper presentation and based on written confirmation of the PhD status submitted to NISPAcee Headquarters)	280€	380€
Participants from the Kazan Federal University	140€	240€

Member Institutions, Associate Members and Governmental Members may delegate three people to attend conference at the listed reduced rate.

- \* NISPAcee region see conference web-site
- \*\* In the case where a NISPAcee member is an association, only 3 official representatives can apply for membership conference fees.

### Support

NISPAcee does not have the resources to provide any financial support to conference participants.

# **NISPAcee Conference pages**

Information on the Calls for individual sessions, conference programme, papers, manuscript guidelines, copyright policy, NISPAcee region and membership, conference venue, accommodation and travel possibilities and all other relevant conference logistics is available at

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Dear colleagues,

It is our great pleasure - in the name of the Organisers - to invite you to the 2017 NISPAcee Annual Conference in Kazan, jointly organised by NISPAcee and Kazan Federal University. In addition to a broad variety of topics covered by our working groups, the main conference theme is focusing on Innovation Governance in the Public Sector. Innovation is becoming the keyword in public sector reform: it is seen as a solution for austerity, user-led demand for better services, coordination problems, increasing effectiveness and broader societal challenges. In many cases, these processes are led by new technologies entering the public sector.

Post-industrial public administration which focuses first of all on innovations and people is the reason for the change in the paradigm of state and municipal management. We are entering a period of "smart states", the main values of which are people and technologies, targeted at modern requirements. This is a period of formation of new management questions and approaches based on, first of all, innovations and technologies of effective process management in a fast developing environment. Smart technologies are being developed, as well as digital government, direct democracy, and crowdsourcing etc. In the course of establishing a brand new technological mode of life education, health care, scientific development, and development of the IT sphere are becoming the main competitive advantages. Moreover, state support in the creative development of people, protection of the environment and high standards of living, anticipating development of the key industrial and technical systems are important key elements of the brand new technological mode. These factors are the basic ones for presenting new requirements, both for innovative systems of public and state administration in general and, for people working in these spheres because effective and continuous enhancement of the state and public administration system are now in great demand. Those employed in these systems should always be ahead of all the processes happening in society.

In our view, the main conference theme is so relevant for all countries worldwide that it cannot remain indifferent to the most qualified and experienced specialists, public administration sphere of professionals and those who take the first steps in this field. We are encouraging you to participate with papers and presentations dealing with the announced conference topics. In addition, we are also inviting you to enjoy the beauty and history of the conference location and the hospitality of the local organiser.

The exhibition "Innovation in the Public Sector", organised in the framework of the conference, will enable close contact with modern-day technology and increase the practical value of the conference.

We are looking forward to meeting you in Kazan.

Juraj Nemec
NISPAcee Presiden

Ilshat Gafurov Rector, Kazan Federal University

#### **CALL FOR PAPER PROPOSALS**

Applications with paper proposals are invited on the Main Conference Theme, General Session or on the themes of the various Working Groups, selected Panels and PhD seminar which are announced for the conference. Please visit the conference web pages for details: www.nispa.org/conference2017

#### Main Conference Theme

The main conference theme will not only concentrate on different innovations in the public sector, but will ask more broadly how bureaucracies innovate, which organisational structures and processes support the innovation process and which do not, and how contextual factors influence the process. We welcome papers that deal with these issues both theoretically – how to conceptualise innovation governance in the public sector – and empirically – both at the state and municipal ('smart city') levels.

#### **General Session**

In order to include a wide array of potential contributors and to make the conference even more attractive to public administration and policy scholars, experts, and practitioners, the conference will again include General Sessions in which papers that cover topics which go beyond the conference or working group themes, can be presented.

# **Working Groups**

Currently, there are 10 NISPAcee Working Research Groups – groups of researchers and / or professionals associated with NISPAcee who are investigating a particular public administration or public policy topic.

- I. Working Group on Local Government
- II. Working Group on e-Government
- III. Working Group on Public Administration Reform
- IV. Working Group on Regional Development and Inter-regional Cooperation
- V. Working Group on Public Finance and Public Finance Management
- VI. Working Group on Public Policy Analysis Development Issues
- VII. Working Group on Public Administration Education
- VIII. Working Group on Local Services and Infrastructure
- IX. Working Group on Transition, Change and Uncertainty
- X. Working Group on Non-Governmental Organisations in Central and Eastern Europe

#### Additional conference sessions

In addition to the sessions on the Main conference theme, General sessions, WGs sessions and PhD seminar, several special presentations and panels are planned, focusing on other attractive and actual issues for academia and practice in the field.



#### ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

# Important dates

# Online Applications with a Paper Proposal

#### Deadline October 12, 2016

Applicants should complete an online application form (in English) including an abstract of a paper (maximum 3600 characters) and attach the actual CV file (maximum 2MB). The selection results will be available by the end of November 2016.

# **Online Registration for the Conference**

(to be opened in December 2016)

Deadline March 31, 2017 (obligatory for all paper holders)

# Final version of the completed paper

(to be prepared according to the NISPAcee MANUSCRIPT GUIDELINES - please see details on the conference website)

Deadline April 10, 2017

Papers in e-version will be accessible for all conference participants prior to the event at the conference website.

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