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27<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE: INVITATION TO THE 8<sup>TH</sup> EDITION AAPAM/ DPSA / UNISA RESEARCH SEMINAR - ON AFRICA'S STATE FRAGILITY AND RESILIENCE TO EXOGENOUS SHOCKS AND DISASTERS - SUSTAINABILITY, GROWTH, AND DEVELOPMENT IMPERATIVES, 25<sup>TH</sup> - 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024, PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA.**

Greetings from the African Association for Public Administration and Management (AAPAM)

AAPAM in partnership with the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA), South Africa and the University of South Africa (UNISA) are pleased to invite you to the 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Research Seminar under the theme *A focus on Africa's state fragility and resilience to exogenous shocks and disasters - sustainability, growth, and development imperatives*. This seminar is scheduled from 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at UNISA, Pretoria, South Africa.

This year, the research seminar will review Africa's journey towards sustainable development as experienced through challenges - exemplified by state fragility and opportunities presented through state adaptability, partnership, expanding markets as well as leveraging on Information and Communications Technology (ICT).

Additionally, the seminar will host the first PhD colloquium session which will host PhD students to discuss their research in a supportive atmosphere with the participation of distinguished policy makers, academia, administrators and representatives from the public and private sector. This deliberate effort seeks to strengthen research-based governance and policy making, as envisioned through our mandate of enhancing knowledge generation and sharing best practices.

We kindly request you to share this opportunity with your colleagues and encourage them to register for the program. Registration fee for the seminar is **United States Dollars Three**

**Hundred (\$400) for Local Delegates and United State Dollars four hundred (\$500) for International Delegates.** Participants are advised to register online at: <http://www.aapam.org/> or fill the attached registration form by 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Please find attached concept note, visa letter, information sheet and accommodation list for your consideration.

We look forward to your participation at the seminar. Accept assurances of our highest esteem.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G.K. Scott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "S" and "C".

**Prof. G.K. SCOTT.**  
**SECRETARY GENERAL**