Dear Sir/Madam,

CALL FOR SUBMISSION FOR THE THIRTEENTH AFRICAN ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT INNOVATIVE MANAGEMENT AWARD

The African Association for Public Administration and Management (AAPAM) announces a call for submissions for the 13th Innovative Management Award (IMA). The IMA Programme is a continental award to celebrate and honor public sector institutions which have made exceptional and longstanding contributions to the public.

The Award recognizes innovations that create effectiveness in the performance of organizations in the public sector through the introduction of new ideas and new operational and management methods. The purpose and objectives of the Award include the following:

i. To recognize and publicize innovations in the public sector which are worthy of emulation.

ii. To enhance the image of the public sector in Africa.

iii. To promote innovation in the public sector by encouraging and recognizing organizations and people for creative and effective ways of solving specific problems of administration and management.

iv. To facilitate the transfer of innovations and best practices as a way of improving the quality of Public Administration and Management in Africa.

The Awards will be given at the 41st AAPAM Roundtable Conference in November/December 2020. Winners will be extensively publicized, including being featured in the AAPAM Newsletter. The venue for the 41st Roundtable conference will be confirmed to you later. The executive summaries of all submissions shall be posted on the AAPAM Website: www.aapam.org.

Attached for your information and guidance are the Conditions, Procedures and Rules of Competition (Annexure 1) for this Award and the Criteria that shall be used to evaluate the submissions (Annexure 2). Please provide an executive summary of up to 200 words (in word format) that shall be posted on our website.
Please use the attached **Entry Form** (Annexure 3) to make your submission, and send your entry by e-mail to: [aapam@aapam.org](mailto:aapam@aapam.org) and copy to [nancy@aapam.org](mailto:nancy@aapam.org) [julie@aapam.org](mailto:julie@aapam.org) and [jessica@aapam.org](mailto:jessica@aapam.org) to reach the AAPAM Secretariat by **15th May 2020**.

Organizations may enter submissions that were not successful in the previous year’s provided that no similar submissions may be entered in the competition more than three times.

If you are the head of a ministry/organization or the AAPAM focal point in your country, please circulate this letter and its annexures as widely as possible among local governments, municipal authorities, institutions of higher learning, departments, agencies, non-governmental organizations, civil society organization as the case may be, that are under your jurisdiction.

I thank you for your interest, assistance and cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. G. K Scott  
Secretary General