

Letter from the Editor

I am pleased to introduce the special issue of the SICA Occasional Paper Series. The goal of the Paper Series is to provide a platform for highlighting diverse perspectives on various international and comparative issues that are becoming more relevant in an increasingly global environment. The public issues being faced today are increasingly global in nature and each issue has the potential for global impact. It is therefore important that public administrators and public policy makers develop international, comparative, and development perspectives as they address each issue. Such understandings will enable global actors to develop solutions that are feasible, sustainable, and lead to increased cooperation.

The Paper Series invites submissions under any of the following formats: Policy Briefs, Practitioner Perspectives, Research Ideas, and Reflections.

The special issue includes four papers from scholars located in the United States and Mexico, in addition to one article based on field experience in India. The topics of focus include connecting domestic public service to global agendas, theory of corruption, addressing the issue of dowry, and pedagogy of global and comparative public administration.

Each article emphasizes the importance of international and comparative public administration, its relationship with development administration, and what is the significance of the internationalization of our public administration and public policy research and pedagogy. We hope you learn as

much from our authors in this reinvigorated *Series* as I did.

The next issue of OPS will be published in April 2021. If you wish to submit your paper for consideration, now is the time. Please visit our website for further information:
<https://aspasica.wordpress.com/occasional-paper-series/>

I look forward to receiving your submissions.

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