

SUMMARY OF INTERNATIONAL STANDING PANEL MEETINGS OF FY 2006

September 22nd 2005

The International Standing Panel met on September 22nd, 2005 to review all the Academy's international projects and initiatives. The session featured presentations by Executive Vice President Scott Belcher and International Program Director, Terry Buss. Academy Fellows Sylvester Murray and Ralph Widner also briefed participants on developments on the Academy's Africa Working Group and the Fragile States Governance Project, respectively. Other presenters included Academy Staff, Ruth Zaplin (on the Global Leadership Consortium) and Joe Galbraith.

November 3rd, 2005

The Academy hosted the Urban Institutes Harry Hatry, Katie Mark, Rebecca Lawrence and Ritu Nayyar-Stone, who presented an overview of the institute's decentralization programs in Eastern Europe, East Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia.

January 19th, 2006

The International Standing Panel met jointly with the Africa Working Group to review progress on the Fragile States Governance Project and the Academy's joint initiative with the International Intellectual Property Institute (IPI) Memorandum of Understanding with Botswana. The Fragile States Governance Project participated in a Blue Ribbon meeting at Princeton University between January 10th and 11th during which they evaluated the results of the program during its trial run in 2005. Members of the Africa Working Group, Academy staff and representatives of the presented on the results of an assessment trip to Botswana, during which the parties examined areas for a potential joint project on intellectual property in southern Africa.

March 23rd, 2006

Stuart Gilman, Program Manager for the United Nations (UN) Global Program against Corruption led a discussion on the impact of the UN's Convention on Corruption on the practice of Public Administration. The meeting was moderated by Daniel Skoler and Richard Werksman (U.S. Department of State), Roberto de Michelle (Inter-American Development Bank) and Mary Kendall (U.S. Department of Interior Deputy IG) served as commenting analysts.

May 25th, 2006

The subject of the May 25th meeting was "The Politics of Policies: The Impact of Institutions and Process in Latin America", a 2006 report of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). The discussion featured a presentation by Ernesto Stein, Senior Economist at the bank and co-coordinator of the report. Stein's presentation was followed observations on the Unintentional Consequences of Economic Analysis by Academy Fellow, Dwight Ink, former Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, U.S. Agency for International Development

September 20th, 2006

The International Standing Panel held a joint meeting with the Academy's Federal System Panel. The meeting featured a presentation by Academy Fellow John Kincaid, author of *Constitutional Origins, Structure, and Change in Federal Countries*. Kincaid presented an overview of his book, which focuses on diverse forms of federalism. Beryl Radin, Academy Fellow and Senior-in-Residence, School of Public Affairs, American University, served as commentator for the discussion.

November 2nd, 2006

On November 2nd, 2006 the International Standing Panel hosted a discussion on "European Public Administration Development", presented by Jonathan Breul, Academy Fellow and Partner, IBM Business Consulting Services. Breul spoke about the Public Management Program of the Governance and Territorial Development Directorate (GOV) with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

The tentative schedule of meetings of the International Standing Panel in FY 2007 is as follows: Thursday, November 2, 2006; January 25, 2007; March 22, 2007; May 17, 2007; and July 19, 2007. Please mark your calendars.