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National Academy of Public Administration
Hosts Forum on Artificial Intelligence and its Impact on Public Administration
Event Featured Senior White House Official and Release of New Academy Book

WASHINGTON, DC – The National Academy of Public Administration today hosted a forum on artificial intelligence (AI) and released a new Academy publication, Artificial Intelligence and its Impact on Public Administration.

“Artificial intelligence is one of the biggest innovations -- and challenges -- that we as a society will face in the years to come,” said Terry Gerton, President and CEO of the Academy. “While AI and robotics are very exciting, they have the potential to impact the government and public administration in ways that we are still trying to understand. Today’s discussion of these cutting-edge technologies and their intersection with government was tremendously insightful, and the book gives public administrators practical ways to position their agencies for the changes AI trends is already bringing.”

The forum featured a keynote address by Dr. Lynne Parker, Assistant Director for Artificial Intelligence in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, that highlighted the current applications and trends for AI in the federal government.

In addition, a panel of the lead authors of Artificial Intelligence and its Impact on Public Administration discussed the book and the implications of AI for public service today, ethics and bias in government AI applications, and future generations of public servants. Panelists included Academy Fellows Alan Shark, Executive Director and CEO of the Public Technology Institute; Karen Shrum, Principal with the Government and Public Sector of Ernst and Young, LLP; and Priscilla Regan, Professor at the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University.

The Academy’s book, produced by its Standing Panel on Technology Leadership, follows the Executive Order on Maintaining American Leadership in Artificial Intelligence, signed by the President on February 11th.

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