



About *JOAAG*

The *Journal of Administration & Governance (JOAAG)* is the official journal of the Network of Asia Pacific Schools and Institutes of Public Administration and Governance (NAPSIPAG). It is a fully refereed bi-annual online journal dedicated to publish significant, interesting, and timely articles, both conceptual and empirical, on issues concerning public administration and governance. In addition to the article section, *JOAAG* has three other sections on 'Case Study', 'Research Note' and Book Review' that have allowed *JOAAG* to include quality material from a wide range of research as well as practitioner perspectives.

The decision of publishing this journal was taken unanimously in the second steering committee meeting of NAPSIPAG held at Monash University in June 2006. The committee also elected an editorial board headed by Dr Sharif As-Saber of Monash University to run the journal. The aim was to initially produce a quality e-journal as an official NAPSIPAG publication with an intention to launch its first issue during the 2006 NAPSIPAG annual conference. It was also decided to produce the journal in hard copies in due course.

Accordingly, the first issue of the journal was officially launched on the 5th of December 2006 during the NAPSIPAG annual conference in Sydney. Since its inception, *JOAAG* has attracted considerable attention from the academia and practitioners from all around the world and has been accepted as a good journal dealing with governance and administrative matters.

The journal has reached an important milestone as it has recently been incorporated in *Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA)* list of ranked journals. It is also included in Ulrich's list of refereed journals. It has also been listed as one of the Top 20 Open Access Information Systems journals (<http://lamp.infosys.deakin.edu.au/journals/index.php>).

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