



IPAC Knowledge Network

Regulatory Governance

Who is it?	A group of forty senior public servants
What does it do?	It meets three times a year in a different Canadian city for learning and networking events (but stays connected all year long)
What for?	To sharpen understandings, share knowledge and experiences; get connected with the best ideas and the best people among your peers.

The Institute of Public Administration of Canada's **Senior Knowledge Networks** provide public sector executives who have responsibility for regulatory policy a special opportunity to meet, network and learn with their peers in a safe, *in camera* environment. The network provides a closely knit community of like-minded equals who are confronting similar challenges and seeking leading-edge solutions.

The benefits of membership in our **Senior Knowledge Network on Regulatory Governance** include:

- Exclusive events, and facilitated discussion and presentations from leading practitioners and scholars in the field;
 - Dedicated members section of the website with exclusive services;
 - Opportunities to initiate timely mini-surveys among the network membership when confronting particular challenges;
 - Coordinated meetings with other Knowledge Networks for exploration of intersecting interests;
 - A rapid response from IPAC to identified learning needs;
 - Exceptional learning resources;
 - Opportunity to create and shape research;
 - Day-long events organized in the fall, winter and spring. (Typically, the group will meet on the eve of the meeting for dinner.)
 - Superior opportunities to network with peers;
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The events being planned for the **Senior Knowledge Network on Regulatory Governance** include:

- Thought Leadership Program on “The Changing Regulatory Frontiers”
National and international speakers will introduce you to the frontiers of regulatory governance being explored across the country and around the world. For example:
 - *Regulatory Impact Assessment*, Scott Jacobs, Managing Director, Jacobs and Associates (autumn 2005)
 - *New Contractual Approaches to Regulation*, William Pedersen, Private Law Practice, Washington (winter 2006)
 - *From Performance-based to Management-based Regulation*, Cary Coglianese, Kennedy School of Government (spring 2006)

- Roundtable Series on Innovative Instruments
A hands-on workshop atmosphere, facilitated by experienced practitioners, which will address some of the more vexing questions in the practical operation of regulatory governance:
 - *Auctions* – (autumn 2005) – This approach maximizes value while targeting best practices, but must be exercised with optimum efficiency to avoid the public purse being taken advantage of by unscrupulous bidders.
 - *Regulatory Relief* – (winter 2006) – Such programs aspire to a less rigid, deterrence-based approach, with the intent of cultivating a strong compliance culture.
 - *Multi-inspectorate Inspections* – (spring, 2006) – An approach that allows more thorough and finely tailored inspections, but that poses a new set of challenges for preparation, coordination, documentation and procedure.

Why IPAC?

IPAC has the proven research capacity and the networks necessary to manage projects like this. First, it has the *contacts*. Second, IPAC has the *best databases of innovations*. Third, through its rigorous book publishing program, eminent quarterly *Canadian Public Administration* and innovative websites, IPAC is the leading non-profit agency concerned with public administration in Canada and a favourite forum for the intergovernmental and personal exchange of ideas on current trends and practices in public sector management. It is a network of public servants, academics, students and interested individuals from the private sector. Finally, IPAC’s leadership in innovative thinking on regulation has been demonstrated through two international conferences; the creation of a website dedicated to regulation (www.smarttape.ca) and commissioned studies for various governments across Canada.

Cost: \$3000 per year (includes events, speakers, networks, meals)

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