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[Zoom Meeting Room](#)



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Crises call attention to the importance of resilient institutions. Organizational and institutional agility contributes to crisis response and resilience. If “Resilience comprises capacity to deliver and enhance results over time; as well as the ability to manage shocks and change” (OECD, 2020) then by definition it becomes an important feature of government institutions and administrations in times of crisis. Also, crises call for alternatives’ solutions provided by other actors than Governments and Public institutions and call for sustainable solutions provided by communities.

Resilience will be developed and the preparedness of the public institutions as well as mechanisms for providing goods and services must be reinforced. This Euro-Asia Panel will analyse these processes and will look at the preparedness of the public institutions for facing multi-dimensional problems and working with communities for finding adequate and immediate solutions.

Responses to Crisis analysis start to gain scientific support and the role of experts in the different domains has been increased constantly.

This panel will investigate all types of crises through the angle of sustainability of solutions found to make our societies more resilient and will provide Euro-Asian perspectives on the issues of emergency measures versus sustainable solutions for future. The panellists will also look to transversal adjustments in the societies to respond to these crises.

From economic crisis, migration crisis, climate crisis, Covid-19 pandemic crisis to the most recent crisis of the overflowed cities in Europe and Asia, as well as the societal crises due to the other ones, we will make sure that all the governance, institutional but also societal levers for solving problems will be examined.

The following issues will be addressed:

- Legitimacy and legality of the responses to various crisis,
- Building effective responses to the different crises,
- The role of the expertise in managing crises; from crisis to disaster; the role of experts and institutions in charge of the scientific communication,
- The innovations' mechanisms to overcome tense situations, states have typically built-up temporary infrastructures and crisis units. The form of these units vary from one country to another, can be more strategic or operational, and more political than scientific in certain cases, the panellists have to analyse these infrastructures and management units.
- the innovation mechanisms,
- the new forms of societal initiatives to respond to the crisis (communities' services delivery, provision of goods by citizens, joint initiatives for recovery, innovations and commons, citizens support etc.)

PROGRAMME

Welcome Messages by EGPA/AGPA Presidents

Prof. Eko Prasjo, University of Indonesia, AGPA President (5 min)

Prof. Jean-Michel Eymeri-Douzans, Sciences Po Toulouse, EGPA President (5 min)

Introduction by

Prof Lihua Yang, Peking University, Rapporteur, China (10 min)

<p>(1)</p> <p><i>Indonesian government's policies to tackle the covid-19 pandemic</i> (15 min)</p> <p>Prof. Erwan Agus Purwanto Deputy Minister for Administrative Reform of Indonesia Professor for public administration UGM University Indonesia</p>	<p>(2)</p> <p><i>COVID-19 and crisis management: Using collective intelligence and evidence to inform policy responses</i> (15 min)</p> <p>Prof. Muiris MacCarthaigh Queen's University Belfast EGPA Steering Committee Member & Chair of the Permanent Study Group on Governance of Public Sector Organisations</p>
<p>(3)</p> <p><i>How Could China Further Improve its Governance Capacity to Enhance Institutional Agility and Resilience in An Era of Turbulence and Science and Technology Innovation.</i> (15 min)</p> <p>Prof. Zhiyong Lan Tsinghua University, China</p>	<p>(4)</p> <p><i>A strategic management of crisis responses? An update on current practices</i> (15 min)</p> <p>Prof Emil Turc, IMPGT Aix-Marseille Université (France) EGPA Chair of the French Speaking Seminar</p>
<p>Discussion and Concluding remarks (15 min)</p> <p>Prof. Hongmou Zhang Prof Lihua Yang</p> <p>Perspectives on Euro Asia Seminar 2022</p>	

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Prof. Eko Prasajo graduated from Faculty of Social and Political Sciences University of Indonesia. He received Master and Doctor Degree in Public Administration from Deutsche Hochschule fuer Verwaltungswissenschaften Speyer Germany. He was vice Minister of Administrative Reform in Indonesia. He is now Professor and former Dean of Faculty of Administrative Science, Universitas Indonesia and President Asian Group Public Administration. He received Braibant Lecture Award in 2019, Habibie Award 2019, and MIPI Award 2018 (Indonesian Political Science Association). Since 2019, he is the AGPA President.

Prof. Jean-Michel Eymeri-Douzans (PhD) is the President of the European Group for Public Administration (EGPA). An Exceptional Class Professor and former Vice-Rector at Sciences Po Toulouse, school of government of Toulouse University, he has worked extensively, since his early secondment at the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), Maastricht (1999- 2001), for the European Commission as an expert and trainer, in Brussels and in Candidate Countries within many Twinning Projects. In France, he served 610 as Chairman of the scientific council of DGAFP, Ministry for Civil Service, Paris, and works regularly for the ENA. His books and research publications investigate comparative public administration in Europe, with special foci on the relations between political power, political advisors, higher bureaucracy, and expertise; on HRM in the Civil Service; on post-NPM and neo-bureaucracy.

Speakers of the EURO ASIA Panel



Prof. Erwan Agus Purwanto, UGM University, Indonesia

Prof Erwan Purwanto is Deputy Minister for Administrative Reform of Indonesia and Professor for public administration at the UGM University, Indonesia

Prof Purwanto is Doctor in social science, Amsterdam School for Social Science Research, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. He has been involved in the programme: Training of Trainers in Public Policy Analysis, Graduate School of Government, Melbourne University, Australia and he received the Certificate graduate Leadership in Crisis: Preparation and Preparedness, Harvard Kennedy School (HKS), Harvard University, United States of America. His recent publications address the COVID-19 pandemic management in Indonesia.



Prof. Muiris MacCarthaigh, Queen's University Belfast, UK

Dr Muiris MacCarthaigh is Professor of Politics and Public Policy at Queen's University Belfast and a member of the EGPA Steering Committee. His work engages with a variety of research themes within and between political science, public sector governance and public policy. He is particularly interested in the role played by administrative systems (and the organisations within them) in translating political preferences into public policy outcomes, and he co-chairs the EGPA Study Group on the Governance of Public Sector Organisations.



Prof. Zhiyong Lan, Tsinghua University, China

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Prof Emil Turc, IMPGT, Aix-Marseille Université (France) - EGPA Chair of the French Speaking Seminar

Dr. Emil TURC is Associated Professor at the Institut of Public Management and Local Governance in Aix-en-Provence (IMPGT), Aix-Marseille University. He specializes in the fields of public management reform, performance management, strategic management in local governments, and change management. He is involved in the organization of international conferences (EGPA's Francophone Seminar since 2011; EGPA-ASPA Transatlantic dialogue 2011; EFMD conference in 2006; AGRH 2017...) and participates in international research projects and consortia (LIPSE-FP7, COST-LocRef, H2020-COGOV). He is involved in public sector managers' training and dissemination (co-organization of round tables with IGPDE public operator of continuous training; conferences of CNFPT).

Rapporteur



Prof Lihua Yang, Peking University, China

Prof. Yang holds the positions of Tenured Professor in the School of Government, Director of the Department of Public Policy in the School of Government, Field Leader of Public Administration in the School of Government, Research Professor of the Institute of State Governance, and Vice Director of the Academic Committee of the Institute of Public Governance at Peking University, Beijing, China. Prof. Yang obtained Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Economics, and Master of Management at Peking University, Master of Politics at Indiana University Bloomington, and Doctor of Philosophy in Public Affairs at Arizona State University. His research focuses on public administration theories, research methodology for political science and public administration, environmental governance and policy, and collaborative and social governance.

Discussant



Prof. Hongmou Zhang, Peking University, China

Prof. Hongmou Zhang is an assistant professor and researcher at the School of Government of Peking University and a PhD in Urban Science and Planning at MIT. His main research areas are urban transportation governance, sustainable urban development, and smart city governance, focusing on mathematical modeling, big data analysis, simulation and visualization of urban policies. He got his Ph.D. in Urban Science and Planning, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is Master of Urban Planning, University of Pennsylvania, and Bachelor of Engineering (Urban Planning), Bachelor of Science (Mathematics and Applied Mathematics), Peking University. He used to be Postdoctoral Fellow in MIT Joint Research Center (SMART), Singapore, Assistant Professor

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Moderator



Dr Fabienne Maron – IIAS Scientific Director – EGPA Executive Secretary

Fabienne Maron (PhD) is the IIAS Scientific Director in charge of coordinating Programmes and Events and responsible for the European Group for Public Administration (since 2000). Before joining IIAS, she got her PhD in Political Science from the UCLouvain (Belgium). She is Guest Lecturer at Law and Political Science Faculty of Reims Champagne Ardenne University (URCA - France) since 2004. Her research interests focus on Public Governance, Transparency and European Governance & EU Policies. She is also instructor (Project Management) for the MPM in Bahrain and guest lecturer at the Università della Svizzera (Switzerland) as well as at the Oradea University (Romania). [Research Gate](#)