



THE WORLD ASSOCIATION OF PPP UNITS & PROFESSIONALS

WAPPP ANNUAL CONGRESS 2022 CALL FOR PAPERS

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TERMS OF REFERENCE:

The World Association for PPP Units & Professionals (WAPPP) organizes an annual congress every year showcasing the latest trends and developments in PPPs globally from both developed and developing countries. This year 13-17 June 2022, WAPPP will host its annual congress under the main theme of '*PPPs after COP26*'. The event will comprise thematic webinars, panels, PPP units' presentations and subject matter expert debates providing a unique opportunity to advance PPPs and particularly People First PPPs awareness, and solving the infrastructure gap crisis to address global challenges such as climate change, Just Transition, green energy, sustainable transport and urbanization, etc.

As the leading global PPP organization, WAPPP promotes the creation of a resource center for expertise and innovation in PPPs. WAPPP is launching a call for papers to all PPP professionals and practitioners from public and private sectors, which will be presented during the annual congress. By presenting in our annual congress you will receive global exposure and you will have the chance to interact directly with the PPPs decision makers and pioneers in all sectors and regions. The proposals will be selected by a WAPPP-led editorial committee.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON PAPERS:

- The papers can present the results of any of the following: academic research, practical experience, evidence-based, analytical or policy-oriented work
- Submissions welcome from private companies, policy makers, PPP practitioners, organizations
- Contribution to the understanding, advancement and promotion of PPPs and UN SDGs
- Authors are encouraged to join WAPPP, if not currently a member
- Once shortlisted to develop a full paper, you will get free access to our partners upon request: InfraPPP, International Sustainable Resilience Center (ISRC), Long Term Infrastructure Investors' Association (LTIIA)
- Submit abstracts (upto 1000 words) containing research question, methods, and important results
- Full paper length: between 5000 and 10,000 words

AWARDS & RECOGNITION:

The Editorial Board will select papers for award and recognition at the Annual Congress 2022. The selection will be based on objective criteria once the submissions are received (full papers). They will include cash prizes, mentorship and fellowship opportunities with WAPPP members, and will be showcased on wappp.org.

THEMES:

All submitters are encouraged to explain how their proposed solution can be replicated and adopted in practice. The papers can be sector specific or broader theme-based. Some of the emerging sectors for green

PPPs such as green mobility, affordable housing, healthcare services, conservation of natural environment, WASH are encouraged. We will accept submissions that emphasize, but not limited to, any of the following:

- Scaling up small projects in green infrastructure to attract commercial financing
- Modernizing PPP framework with Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and other climate related policy objectives
- Role of State-owned enterprises in PPPs
- Success stories of innovative PPPs bringing impact on the ground
- Enabling innovative legal and financing mechanisms for green, resilient, inclusive PPPs
- Tackling uncertainty of climate risks on PPP projects
- Building socially inclusive and affordable green PPPs
- Assessing and managing sustainability and resilience in PPPs
- Any other theme which is relevant to the main theme of 'PPPs after COP26'

SELECTION CRITERIA:

All proposals must be grounded in public-private partnerships and are welcome. As an indication, these are selection criteria that are encouraged:

- Themes which have not been covered in previous publications
- Low income countries
- Climate vulnerable regions
- Bringing new methodologies, concepts and solutions to the green PPP challenges

TIMELINE:

- Abstracts will be considered and approved on a rolling basis.
- Notification of acceptance: + 15 days upon receipt of the Abstracts
- Deadline for submission of full papers: + 2 months from the receipt of acceptance
- Revision period: + 15 days after the comments from the Editorial Board

**To be included in the [Annual Congress 2022 program](#) and to be eligible for the awards:
Deadline for submission of Abstracts is **15 April 2022** and full papers are due by **15 May 2022**.**

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ABOUT WAPP:

The World Association for PPP Units & Professionals (WAPP; web <http://www.wapp.org>) is a Geneva-based NGO, connecting PPP units, investors, financiers, PPP professionals and other stakeholders to build a global network devoted to Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) best practices and alignment with United Nations Sustainable Development goals (SDGs). The organization was created in 2018 and currently includes 40 PPP units and 250 members with 60 nationalities represented.