



Gordon Draper Awards Programme 2010

I. Background

Gordon Draper (1949 – 2004) was the inaugural President of CAPAM and, from 1997, CAPAM Director of International Development. Mr. Draper's stellar academic and leadership achievements have impacted significantly on the lives of many public servants and indeed the wider public.

As a former Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago, Mr. Draper was instrumental in advancing Public Administration in his country and regionally. Notable in his achievements were his efforts to modernise the Public Service through the transformation of key public management systems and his contribution to the establishment of the Institute of Business, now the Arthur Lok Jack Graduate School of Business, University of West Indies.

As President and Director of International Development for CAPAM, Mr. Draper developed and cultivated a network of likeminded and highly experienced practitioners, who worked tirelessly to share their knowledge and experiences with Public Servants across the Commonwealth. The legacy of Gordon Draper lives on in the mission and programmes of CAPAM today.

In memory of the contributions of the late Gordon Draper, CAPAM, created the Gordon Draper Award in 2004 to recognize and encourage strong leadership and selfless contributions to improving Public Administration in the Commonwealth. The Gordon Draper Award is conferred every 2 years during the CAPAM Biennial Conference.

II. Award Criteria

The Award recognises an individual who, in the estimation your peers, has

- Made significant contributions to the advancement of public administration and management.
- Demonstrated a commitment to excellence and visionary leadership in the achievement of tangible results for the Public Service and the people it serves.
- Effectively shared his/her knowledge, experience and influences at a regional or Commonwealth wide level.

III. Nomination submissions must include the following:

- 1) A brief letter outlining the following:
 - What did the individual achieve and their significance for the advancement of Public Service administration and management?
 - What personal qualities were demonstrated, in the context of the prevailing circumstances, in realizing these results?

- How broad was the individual's contributions within his/her own country, in the region, and across the Commonwealth?
- 2) A curriculum vitae outlining professional and public service experience
- 3) A list of three professional references with full contact information

The deadline for nominations is March 31, 2010. No late submissions will be accepted.

Please send the above documents to the attention of the Ada Wong, Manager, Membership & Communications at the CAPAM Secretariat. *Electronic submissions are preferred.*

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Chair of the 2010 Gordon Draper Awards Committee

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**The Gordon Draper Awards committee will include additional esteemed public service professionals representing other Commonwealth countries*