



WEEKLY UPDATE	
	<p>SECOPA Makes the COHPA Webpage A detailed story on the SECOPA Conference along with pictures can be found on the COHPA webpage. To read about the SECOPA Conference you can follow the link: www.cohpa.ucf.edu/SECOPA-2008.htm.</p>
Monday	
Columbus Day	<p>Dr. Naim Kapucu has published his first book with Hamit Palabiyik from Canakkale Onsekiz Mart University. The book is entitled <i>Turkish Public Administration: From Tradition to the Modern Age</i>. This book contributes to the study and research of public administration in Turkey focusing on the principles of New Public Management, such as transparency, decentralization, accountability, and performance management.</p>
Tuesday	
Wednesday	<p>Colloquium by Dr. Comfort Stimulates Lively Discussions One of the most highly regarded scholars in the fields of Public Administration and Emergency Management and a fellow of National Academy of Public Administration, Dr. Louise Comfort of the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh last week shared her research on "<i>Building Disaster Resilience in Asia: Recent Events in India, Indonesia, and China</i>." In her presentation Dr. Comfort emphasized the need for incorporating the knowledge about disaster resilience and infrastructure risk reduction to the development policy of in Asian countries that are experiencing rapid economic growth and industrialization. Dr. Comfort pointed out that interdisciplinary collaboration is vital for the improvement of disaster policy and emergency management suggesting that policymakers invest in human capital and information technology to increase community capacity and reduce disaster risks.</p>
Thursday	
PA Advisory Bd. Mtg.	
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Benchmarking Workshop	<p style="text-align: center;">UPCOMING EVENTS</p> <p>AFP Collegiate Chapter Meeting October 15, 2008 from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM in HPA II Room 345 This is a planning meeting for all upcoming philanthropy opportunities, as well as discussing the career showcase coming up in November! For information contact Greg Goddard gregorygoddard@gmail.com</p> <p>Public Administration Research Colloquium October 16, 2008 from 4 PM to 5:30 PM in HPA II Room 247. The speaker is Dr. Penelope Canan speaking on Community Values and Renewable Energy Alternatives. Dr. Canan will present award-winning research approach that measured the structure of community values and used that structure to recommend alternatives for renewable energy production. RSVP to Fatih Demiroz fdemiroz@mail.ucf.edu</p> <p>Florida Benchmarking Consortium Workshop October 17, 2008 from 9 AM to 4 PM in Jensen Beach The Keynote speaker will be Barbara J. Cohn Berman, author of the book "Listening to the Public: Adding the Voices of the People to Government Performance Measurement & Reporting." To learn more about the workshop go to: http://www.flbenchmark.org</p>

