Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms
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From: Senior Chief Executive, Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms
To: Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

2014 CAPAM International Innovations Awards

The Commonwealth Association for Public Administration and Management (CAPAM) is inviting participation from public organisations in the 2014 CAPAM International Innovations Awards Programme.

2. This Programme is organised for CAPAM members every two years to celebrate the spirit of innovation in the public service. It also aims to inspire and encourage innovators to expand their views and bring about innovative practices in delivering quality public services.

3. Submissions for CAPAM Award will be judged by an esteemed group of public service professionals from different Commonwealth countries. In October 2014, finalists will be invited to make presentations to the Jury at the 2014 CAPAM Biennial Conference to be held in Kuala Lampur, Malaysia. Winners will be announced during the CAPAM President’s Banquet at the end of the conference.

4. This Award Programme invites entries that demonstrate excellence, innovation and quality service delivery in public administration. Entries for the Awards Programme should be forwarded to CAPAM’s online form on http://www.capam.org/awards/application by Wednesday 30 April 2014. A copy of the submission should be forwarded to this Ministry at mesa-aru@mail.gov.mv.

5. Submissions must reflect an organizational rather than an individual initiative. The cost of participation is $300 USD and must include:

(i) a 250-word Executive Summary of the project; and  
(ii) a 2500 to 3000 word Project Description that addresses the criteria identified above and include the context in which the innovation has been implemented. The context should reflect how strategies were adopted to adapt the innovation to local circumstances, lessons learned and approaches used to overcome difficulties in the implementation process.
6. Ministries and Departments are encouraged to participate in this Award Programme as it will be an opportunity to reflect on innovations in the Public Service. For additional information you may mail CAPAM at capam@capam.org.

7. It would be appreciated if the contents of this Circular Letter could be brought to the attention of all public officers serving in the different Divisions of your Ministry/Department.

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