Announcing the launch of the Journal of Behavioral Public Administration

We are very proud to announce the first issue of the *Journal of Behavioral Public Administration*!

In this newsletter, you will learn more about the journal, its mission, and the content of the first issue.

The Journal

The Journal of Behavioral Public Administration (*JBPA*) is ...

- **interdisciplinary**
- **open access**
- **peer-reviewed**

- **nonprofit**

JBPA focuses on behavioral and experimental research in public administration, broadly defined.

JBPA publishes ...

- **research articles** (up to 4.000 words)
- **research letters** (up to 2.000 words)
- **perspectives and practices** (up to 4.000 words)
- **research syntheses** (up to 8.000 words)

on a range of substantive topics that reflect the application of behavioral science and experimental methods to questions of theoretical or practical relevance to the field of public administration.

JBPA welcomes ...

- **behavioral and experimental work** that advances theory;
- **applied research** about nudge tactics or other practical reforms;
- **replications** of previous experimental work;
- studies with **null findings** (provided they are well designed and sufficiently powered).

JBPA invites researchers and practitioners from across the behavioral sciences, including

- Economics
- Public policy
- Political science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Law
- Communication
- Biology
- ...

provided they have relevance for public administration theory or practice.
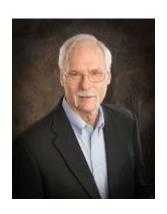
The editors

Sebastian Jilke
Rutgers University

"We turn over a new leaf of open access in PA research. No article processing charges, nonprofit, and the highest scientific standards!"

Kenneth J. Meier
Texas A&M University

"We will develop JBPA into a premier outlet for behavioral research conducted within PA settings that will be on-par in terms of scholarly rigor with the best journals in the field."

Gregg G. Van Ryzin
Rutgers University

"It is especially important to us that JBPA serves as a role model for open and transparent scientific research."

The first issue

It is with great excitement that we publish the inaugural issue of *JBPA*. Based on a series of invited, peer-reviewed contributions, *JBPA*'s inaugural issue reflects the broad scope of a behavioral approach to public administration. The following articles are part of the first issue and can be accessed on the journal's website.

Sebastian Jilke, Kenneth Meier & Gregg Van Ryzin
Editorial

Peter John & Toby Blume
How best to nudge tax payers? The impact of message simplification and descriptive social norms on payment rates in a central London local authority

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Sharon Gilad, Pazit Ben-Nun Bloom & Michaela Assouline
Bureaucrats' processing of organizational reputation signals

Robert Christensen & Bradley Wright
Public service motivation and ethical behavior: Evidence from three experiments

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Michal Livnat-Lerer, Ranaan Sulitzeau-Kenan & Tehila Kogut
Foresighted outcome effect: A micro-foundation of agents' risk aversion in principal-agent relations

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Stephan Grimmelikhuijsen, Femke de Vries & Wilte Zijlstra
Breaking bad news without breaking trust

Claudia N. Avelaneda & Johabed G. Olvera
Chief executives' approval of immigrants: Evidence from a survey experiment of 101 Latin American and Caribbean mayors

Syon Bhanot, Gordon Kraft-Todd, David Rand & Erez Yoeli
Putting social rewards and identity salience to the test: Evidence from a field experiment with teachers in Philadelphia

Asmus Leth Olsen
Precise performance: Do citizens rely on numercial precision as a cue of confidence

Donald Moynihan
A great schism approaching? Towards a micro and macro public administration

Asbjørn Sonne Nørgaard
Human behavior inside and outside bureaucracy: Lessons from psychology