International Institute of Administrative Sciences

Why in News?

India wins the Presidency of International Institute of Administrative Sciences for 2025-28.

- It is a global federation comprising 31 Member Countries, 20 National Sections, and 15 Academic Research Centres, collaborating on scientific research in public administration.
- IIAS is not a formally affiliated body of the United Nations, it actively engages with the UN's work in the field of public administration.
- **Key member countries -** India, Japan, China, Germany, Italy, Korea, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Switzerland, Mexico, Spain, Qatar, Morocco, and Indonesia, among others.
- **Headquarters -** Brussels, Belgium.
- **Objectives** - It focuses on
    - Fostering collaborative and strategic initiatives with members and partners and
    - Ensuring that both academic and professional training programs receive accreditation that aligns with best practices in public management.
- Additionally, there is a commitment to producing and disseminating comprehensive content related to public governance research and practice, targeting a diverse range of audiences.
- The IIAS actively collaborates with the United Nations, engaging in the ***UN's Committee of Experts on Public Administration (CEPA)*** and ***the UN Public Administration Network (UNPAN)*** to enhance its impact and reach in the field.
- **Significance for India** - India has been a Member State of the IIAS since 1998, represented by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances.
- It is the first time that India has secured the historic mandate for the Presidency of the IIAS.

Reference

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