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Part I: Introduction



Background

Workshop on Government Performance and Results Management

Chinese Taipei, in conjunction with its co-sponsor New Zealand, and on behalf of the Chair of the APEC Economic Committee, would like to invite you to attend the Workshop on Government Performance and Results Management to be held at Taipei International Convention Center (TICC), Taipei, on 27-28 March 2008.

Background / Objectives for the Workshop

In 2004, Leaders gave the Economic Committee (EC) a mandate to promote the benefits of structural reform in APEC economies. The Leaders Agenda to Implement Structural Reform towards 2010 (LAISR 2010) aims to facilitate cooperation and dialogue in five priority areas: public sector management and governance, regulatory reform, economic and legal infrastructure, competition policy and corporate governance.

In the 2006 Ha Noi Declaration, APEC leaders recognized the need to intensify work on structural reform, and took note of progress in carrying out the Leaders' Agenda to Implement Structural Reform toward 2010 (LAISR 2010), which was initiated by the Economic Committee, and included public sector governance as a key theme for APEC's structural reform work program. At the second EC meeting (ECII) in 2006, the Economic Committee endorsed continuation of the theme of public sector governance for structural reform into 2007.

Being one of the APEC economies, Chinese Taipei supports structural reform issues and takes part in the EC "Friends of the Chair Group" (FotC) on public sector governance. In recognition that managing for performance is an important principle of public sector governance, Chinese Taipei proposed to organize a Workshop on Government Performance and Results Management, and at the second EC meeting (EC II) in 2007 this initiative was formally endorsed by the EC. After close consultation with EC Chair and New Zealand, the Workshop on Government Performance and Results Management will be held as a platform for all APEC members to have an in-depth discussion and experience exchange, and to contribute to the Asia-Pacific region's economic development.

Through this workshop, we hope to achieve the following objectives:

- Understand good practices in planning and setting objectives of government agencies in the public sector.
- Exchange ideas on monitoring and measuring agency progress.
- Evaluate performance for better public sector governance.



Target Audience

Managerial level government officials of APEC economies will be invited to the workshop.

Output

Through this event, we hope to achieve the following results:

- Raise awareness, stimulate new ideas and exchange experiences about managing the overall performance of public agencies and individual project results of agencies.
- The contents of in-depth policy dialogues and presentations will be made available on the APEC website to all APEC economies.

Workshop Date and Venue

Venue: Taipei International Convention Center, Taipei

Date: March 26 to 28, 2008



	Wednesda	y, March 26, 2008			
14:00~	Registration Venue: Lobby, Grand Hyatt Taipei Hotel				
19:00-21:00	Welcome Reception Venue: 1st floor, Residence 2, Grand Hyatt Taipei Hotel				
Time	Topic	Speakers / (Moderators)			
	Thursday, March 27, 2008	Venue: 2nd floor, 201DEF, TICC			
09:00-09:30	Opening Remarks	Dr. Jay N. Shih (Minister, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, Chinese Taipei) Prof. Robert A. Buckle (Chair of Economic Committee) Dr. Brian McCulloch (Coordinator of Friends of the Chair Group on Public Sector			
		Governance, Economic Committee)			
9:30-10:00	Keynote Speech: Performance Management: It's the Results that Count	Moderator: Prof. Robert A. Buckle (Chair of Economic Committee) Keynote Speaker: The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon (Ambassador of Canada to the OECD; President Emeritus of the Canada School of Public Service)			
10:00-10:20	Break	(Outside of Room 201 DEF)			
10:20-12:00		Moderator: Prof. Tsai-Tsu Su			
	Economy experience sharing1- Chinese Taipei	Speaker: Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung (Chief Secretary, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, Chinese Taipei)			
	Economy experience sharing2- U.S.A	Speaker: Mr. Daren Wong (Program Examiner, Office of Management and Budget, U.S.A.)			
12:00-12:15	Group Photo Venue: 3rd floor, South Hallway				
12:15-14:00	Venue: 3	Lunch ard floor, South Lounge, TICC			
14:00-15:10	Session 2: Good Practice in Planning and Objective Setting of Government Agencies	Moderator: Ms. Tomoko Hayashi (Vice-Chair of the Economic Committee; Director for International Economic Affairs, Cabinet Office, Japan)			
	Speech	Speaker: Dr. John Halligan (Professor of Government and Public Administration, University of Canberra, Australia)			
	Economy experience sharing3- Canada	Speaker: Dr. Ivan Blake (Executive Director of Management Accountability with the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat)			
15:10-15:30		Break : Outside of Room 201 DEF			
15:30-16:40	Session 3: Monitoring and Measuring Agency Progress, and Evaluating Performance/Reporting	Moderator: Miss Elley MAO (Vice-Chair of the Economic Committee; Principal Economist, Financial Secretary's Office, Hong Kong, China)			
	Economy experience sharing4- Australia	Speaker: Dr. Michael Kirby (First Assistant Commissioner, Productivity Commission, Australia)			
	Economy experience sharing5- Singapore	Speaker: Mr. William Yap (Director, Performance & Organisation, Ministry of Finance, Singapore)			
18:00-21:00	Venue: 33rd floor, Ban	Gala Dinner quet Hall, Taipei World Trade Center Club			



Friday, March 28, 2008 Venue: 2nd floor, 201DEF, TICC

9:30-10:30 Session 4:

Demonstration on the Use of ICT in Public Sector Governance (Chinese Taipei GPMnet Report) Moderator: Dr. Heungsuk Choi

(Director, Institute of Government Studies; Professor, Department of Public Administration, Korea University)

Speaker: Mr. Chung-Ing Shih

(Director, Department of Supervision and Evaluation, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, Chinese Taipei)

10:30-10:50 Break
Venue: Outside of Room 201 DEF

10:50-12:00 Session 5: Moderator: Dr. Brian McCulloch

Group Discussion (Coordinator of FotC for Public Sector Governance, Economic

Group Report Committee)
General Discussion

12:00-13:30 Lunch
Venue: 2nd floor, International Lounge, TICC

Afternoon On-Site Visit (National Palace Museum)

18:00-21:00 Dinne

Venue: 1st floor, Cafe, Grand Hyatt Taipei Hotel

or Tea Meal Set





Dr. Jay N. ShihMinister, Research, Development and
Evaluation Commission, Chinese Taipei

Dr. Jay N. Shih has been the Minister of the Research, Development and Evaluation Commission (RDEC) under the Cabinet, since 2006. He is also a professor at the Department of Public Administration, National Chengchi University. Dr. Shih holds a bachelor degree from National Taiwan University, and holds a Ph.D. from the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, U.S.A.

Dr. Shih had actively participated in public affairs before taking up his current post, including serving as a member of Commission on Government Reform from 2001 to 2006, as well as being President of the Board of Directors, Transparency International-Taiwan from 2003 to 2006.

His major research interests include public personnel policy, human resource management, comparative public management and administration, policy analysis and government budgeting. He has contributed numerous chapters and papers published in Chinese journals and books. He was awarded a Wu San-Lien Award (1998) for distinguished achievements in public administration. He is also a member of the editorial boards of many top academic journals.



Prof. Bob Buckle
Chair of the APEC Economic Committee

Professor Buckle is the Chair of the APEC Economic Committee. He was recently appointed Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Commerce and Administration at Victoria University of Wellington. Professor Buckle is also an advisor to the New Zealand Treasury, where he is assisted in his role as APEC EC Chair. From 2000 to 2007 Professor Buckle was a Principal Advisor to the New Zealand Treasury where he led work on macroeconomic policy priorities and the development of the Treasury's economic growth programme.

Prior to joining the Treasury in 2000, Professor Buckle was Head of the School of Economics and Finance at Victoria University of Wellington. He was a full-time member of the academic staff at Victoria University from 1981 to 2000 and has been a visiting economist at several overseas universities, research institutes and international economic policy organizations. In 2003 he was awarded the NZIER/QANTAS award for contributions to New Zealand economics.





Dr. Brian McCullochDirector, Economic Performance Group of the New Zealand Treasury

Dr. McCulloch is the Director of the Economic Performance Group of the New Zealand Treasury, and currently involved primarily with international issues. Since joining the Treasury in 1989, Dr McCulloch has undertaken various management and advisory roles, mainly in the area of financial management policy and strategy. He led the policy development for the establishment of the New Zealand Superannuation Fund and he has presented various papers and articles on the structure and governance of public funds, financial analysis and financial reporting policy, public sector financial management, reform, and Kiwi Saver. Dr. McCulloch holds a Ph.D. in Business from the University of Washington, U.S.A.

He is also a Chartered Accountant and a member of the Professional Conduct Committee of the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants.



The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon Ambassador of Canada to the OECD; President Emeritus of the Canada School of Public Service

The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon is a Distinguished Visiting Professor of Public Administration at the University of Waterloo and the Center for International Governance Innovation, as well as President Emeritus of the Canada School of Public Service. She was appointed to the rank of Deputy Minister in 1989. In that capacity she was the official in charge of the constitutional negotiations which led to the Charlottetown Accord in 1992. She oversaw the transformation of the Department of Transport including rail privatization, the commercialization of air traffic control and the devolution of airports. She served as President of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and was Deputy Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

In 1994, the Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon was appointed Clerk of the Privy Council and Secretary to the Cabinet. She became the 17th Clerk and the first woman to hold this position. From 1994 to 1999, she led the Public Service of Canada through some of its most important reforms since the 1940s. She oversaw the Program Review exercise which contributed to eliminating the deficit, and realigned the role of the Public Service. In December 1998, she was summoned to the Queen's Privy Council for Canada in recognition of her contribution to her country. She served as President of the Canadian Centre for Management Development from 1999 to 2003. From 2003-2007, she served as Ambassador to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). Since 2007, she has servd as special advisor to the Privy Council Office and President Emeritus of the Canada School of Public Service.



Dr. Tsai-Tsu SuProfessor and Chair, Department of Political Science National Taiwan University

Dr. Tsai-Tsu Su has been the Chair of the Department of Political Science at National Taiwan University since 2005. She was also the President of the Taiwan Association for Schools of Public Administration and Affairs from 2005 to 2006. She is currently on the editorial board of several academic journals and has served as a consultant for a number of government agencies.

Dr. Su is the author or editor of numerous books, book chapters and articles on public budgeting, fiscal administration and administrative reforms. Her most recent book is entitled The Repositioning of Public Governance: Global Experience and Challenges, co-edited with Dr. Gerald E. Caiden.

Dr. Su received her Ph.D. in Public Policy Analysis from Carnegie Mellon University and taught at the State University of New York at Stony Brook before returning to Taiwan in 1991. She has been teaching at National Taiwan University since her return.



Jón R. Blöndal

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Mr. Blöndal currently also serves as Editor-in-Chief of the quarterly OECD Journal on Budgeting, a member (observer) of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board and a member of the Conseil Scientifique of the Revue Française de Finances Publiques.

Prior to joining the OECD in 1995, Mr. Blöndal was Head of Division, Icelandic Ministry of Finance. Concurrently, he served in the Office of the Prime Minister as Executive Director of the Icelandic Government's Privatisation Commission.

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Dr. Yu-Hsieh SungChief Secretary, Research,
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Dr. Yu-hsieh Sung is the Chief Secretary of the RDEC under the Cabinet. He also teaches as Adjunct Associate Professor at Chung-Yuan University.

Dr. Sung has been working for the RDEC since 1985. His areas of experience mainly include e-government, government performance evaluation, and government reform, amongst others. He was the key person to lead a group on developing, coordinating, and expediting the "Electronic Government" project, begun in 1996. In the past four years, he has made efforts in promoting the re-engineering of government organizations, which requires the strategic use of ICTs within government administration. He also has vast experience in many government information systems projects, including local government office automation, privacy protection in cyber-age and official document exchange.

Dr. Sung holds a B.Sc. degree from Chung-Hsing University, an M.P.P. degree from the University of Michigan, U.S.A. and a Ph.D. degree in Business Administration from Chengchi University. He also frequently lectures at numerous government training programs for civil servants.



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At the OMB, Mr. Wong has served in program examiner positions covering national security, homeland security, energy regulation, and energy resource development issues. He has also served as Chief of the National Security Programs Branch staff within the Office of the Chief Financial Officer at the Department of Energy, and as Acting Deputy Assistant Director for Management at OMB. Prior to joining the Federal Government, he served in senior operations, research, industrial and methods engineering positions in the automotive industry.

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Tomoko Hayashi Vice-Chair of the EC; Director for International Economic Affairs, Cabinet Office, Japan

Ms. Tomoko Hayashi joined the Economic Planning Agency (EPA) in 1987. Following positions on international economic affairs in the EPA, the Permanent Delegation of Japan to the OECD, the Japan Bank for International Corporation, and the Economic and Social Research Institute, she was appointed the Director of the International Economic Affairs Division in 2005. She is in charge of developing economic and fiscal policies consistent with international trends through exchanging views in APEC, OECD and bilateral consultations.

Ms. Hayashi has authored several books and papers. Her recent publications include Monetary Policy and Inflation Target (2006), co-authored with Takatoshi Ito, Inflation Targeting in Asia (2004), co-authored with Takatoshi Ito, and Technique of Macroeconomic Policy (2003). She holds a Master of Science in Economics from the London School of Economics.



Dr. John Halligan

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John Halligan is the Research Professor of Government and Public Administration, School of Business and Government, University of Canberra, Australia.

His research interests are comparative public management and governance, specifically performance management, corporate governance, public sector reform, government institutions (e.g. parliaments), and political-bureaucratic relationships.

Professor Halligan has held academic appointments at the University of Melbourne and the Australian National University, and visiting positions at various institutions including Georgetown University (Washington DC), the Australian National University, the Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium) and the Victoria University of Wellington (New Zealand).

Professional activities include Deputy President, Institute of Public Administration Australia (ACT Division) of which he is a National Fellow. His consultancies include projects with international organisations: OECD, Commonwealth Secretariat, United Nations Development Program and World Bank; and with Australian government departments and state and local governments.

Books that Professor Halligan has recently cowritten include Managing Performance: International Comparisons, Routledge, London, 2007; Parliament in the 21st Century, Melbourne University Press, 2007; Civil Service Systems in Anglo-American Countries, Edward Elgar, 2003; and

Reforming Public and Corporate Governance: Management and the Market in Australia, Britain and Korea, Edward Elgar, 2002. Overall, he has published 16 books and 130 chapters and articles.

Professor Halligan is currently completing a book on the Australian Centrelink Experiment with Reinventing Service Delivery (for the Australian National University Press), drafting studies on Corporate Governance in the Public Sector and Performance Management, and working on a comparative analysis of the long-term results of public sector reform in four Anglophone countries (Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom).



Dr. Ivan BlakeExecutive Director of Management
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Dr. Ivan Blake is the Executive Director of Management Accountability with the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat. The Treasury Board is a committee of the Cabinet and the management board of Government. Ivan Blake's responsibilities are to oversee the annual assessment of management risks, capabilities and performance in all federal departments and agencies against a comprehensive framework of management standards, and to continuously refine both the framework and its application.

He joined the Public Service of Canada in 1992 on Executive Interchange and spent ten years with Environment Canada (five as its Director General of Corporate Management and Review) before joining the Treasury Board Secretariat as head of Comptrollership Modernization.

Before joining the Public Service Ivan Blake spent fifteen years as a history professor with universities in Nova Scotia, Alberta and British Columbia. He completed his undergraduate studies at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, and his Master's and Doctoral studies in the history of ideas at the University of Chicago. He is married, has two sons, and in his spare time writes for television and radio and is a certified sommelier.



Elley MAO
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Miss Elley Mao is currently the Principal Economist under the Financial Secretary's Office of the Hong Kong China (HKC) Government. Her latest focus is on strategic policy impact analyses and implications for Hong Kong (including the Mainland's industrial, financial, tax and other structural reform policies, cross-boundary transport infrastructure and environmental issues etc.). Over the years Miss Mao has advised the HKC government on various economic issues in the Asia-Pacific region, including specifically monitoring the economic relations of the mainland of China with its major trade partners and its impact on Hong Kong and on the region as a whole; taking part in discussions and producing economic impact assessments on the Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA) between Hong Kong and the mainland of China; evaluating world oil price movements; and tracking global commodity prices, interest rates and currency exchange rates for their impacts on the Hong Kong and China economies.





Dr. Michael KirbyFirst Assistant Commissioner,
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For six years prior to that he was Director of the Economic, Social and Environmental Group of the Victorian Department of Treasury and Finance where he had responsibility for macroeconomic and tax forecasting, fiscal strategy and analysis of a range of policy issues.

Previous career highlights include stockbroking research (resource equities and commodity markets), ABARE (commodity market analysis, international agricultural trade, macroeconomics and resource economics), the Australian National University (teaching and studying) and Commonwealth Treasury (monetary policy).

Dr Kirby has a B.Ec (Hons) from Sydney University and M.Ec and Ph.D. from the Australian National University.



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William was trained in Electrical & Electronic Engineering and graduated from Imperial College, London in 1997. He recently obtained his Master's Degree in Public Policy & Administration from the London School of Economics and Political Science, and was awarded the Peter Self Prize.

William's first posting was at the Ministry of Trade & Industry as Assistant Director (International Business Development). He then served in the Public Service Division, Prime Minister's Office, in which he oversaw the development of personnel policy for the Singapore Civil Service. He was subsequently transferred to the Ministry of Community, Youth and Sports (MCYS) as the Deputy Director overseeing the development of community relations and the voluntary sector, before taking on directorship in Community Relations and Engagement Division in 2005. He was posted to the Ministry of Finance in September 2007, following his post-graduate studies. In his current position in the Ministry of Finance, he is primarily responsible for the formulation of policies on public sector procurement as well as public sector governance.



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Heungsuk Choi is a professor in the Department of Public Administration, the Director of the Institute of Governmental Studies and the Vice Dean of the Graduate School of Public Policy at Korea University. He received his M.A. from Purdue University, and earned a Public Administration Ph.D. from the Maxwell School of Syracuse University. His major teaching and research interest areas are e-Government, public management, local government and regional innovation system. Professor Choi has published numerous articles in professional journals like the Asian Journal of Political Science, the Korean Public Administration Review, the International Review of Public Administration and others.



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Scholar from Taiwan Public Governance Research Center



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Dr. Peng's major academic interests are public personnel administration, administrative reform, e-governance, and constitutional reform. He has previously served as: Secretary General, Director, and Controller, Chinese Political Science Association (Taipei); National Assembly Deputy; Executive Editor, Political Science Review (in Chinese); Editor-in-Chief and Deputy Director, Theory and Policy (Quarterly); Chairman of the Board, Faculty Association of National Taiwan University.



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Scholar from Taiwan Public Governance Research Center



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Dr. Fisher Chang currently serves as Chief Secretary to the President of National Taipei University, and the Chief Editor of Public Administration and Policy, which is listed on TSSCI Journals.

Dr. Chang received his Ph.D. degree in public policy from the University of Maryland. His research interests focus on the budget reforms in the U.S. and Chinese Taipei, performance measurement and public budgeting, intergovernmental relations and policy implementation.

Professor Chang teaches both graduate and undergraduate courses in public policy, fiscal administration, and performance management. He has contributed articles to a number of outstanding journals. In addition, he is the author of a book entitled "Performance Measurement and Government Budgeting".



Dr. Yu-Ying KuoAssociate Professor and Chair,
Department of Public Policy and
Management, Shih Hsin University

Dr. Yu-Ying Kuo joined the faculty of the Department of Public Policy and Management at Shih Hsin University in 1999, and has been the Chair of the Department since January, 2008.

Dr. Kuo's research and teaching interests focus on public policy, policy implementation and evaluation, government budgeting, budgeting of non-profit organizations and costbenefit analysis. Among her publications are Public Policy: Decision Support Modes and Cases Analysis, Macro and Micro Research on Government Budgeting, and, most recently, Cost-Benefit Analysis.

Dr. Kuo received her Ph.D. in Public Administration and Policy from the State University of New York at Albany.

Scholar from Taiwan Public Governance Research Center



Dr. Chaomeng James HuangProfessor, Department of Public
Administration and Policy; Director,
Public Opinion and Election Research
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Dr. Chaomeng Huang has been on the faculty of the Department of Public Administration at National Taipei University (NTPU) since 2003, and he currently serves as the director of the Public Opinion and Election Research Center at NTPU

Dr. Huang has published in Government Information Quarterly and many public administration journals on the topics of e-government, strategic management, performance management, and human resource management. He has also acted as consultant for many government agencies.



Dr. Yuan-Che Luke HsiaoAssociate Professor, Department of Public Policy & Management, I-Shou University

Dr. Yuan-Che Luke Hsiao has been on the faculty of I-Shou University since 1999, and was the first Director of the DPPM. He is currently the Secretary General of the Chinese Association of Political Science and the Chief Treasurer of the Taiwanese Political Science Association. He has accumulated many consulting experiences for public agencies as well as non-governmental agencies.

Dr. Hsiao received his DPA from the University of Southern California and has taught at several universities. He teaches courses on policy analysis and evaluation, strategic management, organization theory, NGOs, human resources and international political economy.

Dr. Hsiao specializes in public management and the study of politics and business interaction, including investment, regulation, organizational theory, non-market strategy, and strategic human resources. His current research is a large cross-national study of Chinese Taipei business non-market strategies in Viet Nam and China.



Attendance List

Economy	Name	Position Title	Identification
AUSTRALIA	Dr. Michael Kirby	First Assistant Commissioner, Productivity Commission	Moderator / Speake Delegate
	Prof. John Halligan	Professor of Government and Public Administration, University of Canberra	Moderator / Speake Delegate
BRUNEI DARUSSA- LAM			Moderator / Speake Delegate
CANADA	Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon	Ambassador of Canada to the OECD; President Emeritus of the Canada School of Public Service	Moderator / Speake Delegate
	Dr. Ivan Blake	Executive Director, Management Accountability with the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat	Moderator / Speake Delegate
	David Rodgers	Deputy Director, International Economic Relations and Summits Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade	☐Moderator / Speaker ■ Delegate
CHILE			Moderator / Speaker Delegate
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA			☐ Moderator / Speake ☐ Delegate
HONG KONG, CHINA	Elley MAO	Vice-Chair of the Economic Committee; Principal Economist, Financial Secretary's Office	Moderator / Speake Delegate
INDONESIA	Agus Sudrajat	Deputy director, Directorate of State Apparatus, National Development Planning Agency	Moderator / Speake
JAPAN	Tomoko Hayashi	Vice-Chair of the Economic Committee; Director for International Economic Affairs, Cabinet Office	Moderator / Speake Delegate
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	Prof. Heungsuk Choi	Director, Institute of Government Studies; Professor, Department of Public Administration, Korea University	Moderator / Speake
MALAYSIA	Zamzuri Bin Abdul Aziz	Senior Assistant Director, Budget Division, Ministry of Finance	Moderator / Speake
	Imri Dolhadi Ab Wahab	Principal Assistant Secretary, Economic and International Division, Ministry of Finance	Moderator / Speake Delegate
MEXICO			Moderator / Speake
NEW ZEALAND	Prof. Robert Buckle	Chair of Economic Committee	Moderator / Speake Delegate
	Dr. Brian McCulloch	Coordinator of Friends of the Chair Group on Public Sector Governance, Economic Committee	Moderator / Speake Delegate
PAPUA NEW GUINEA			Moderator / Speake

Economy	Name	Position Title	Identification
PERU	Juan Pablo Silva	Technical Coordinator, Budget Office, Ministry of Economy and Finance	Moderator / Speak
PHILIPPIN- ES			Moderator / Speak
RUSSIA			Moderator / Speak
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	Gary Ong	Coordinator, Fiscal Policy Directorate, Ministry of Finance	Moderator / Speak Delegate
	Nicodemus Tan	Associate, Fiscal Policy Directorate, Ministry of Finance	Moderator / Speak Delegate
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	Chun-Lin Chen	Deputy Minister, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission	Moderator / Speak
	Hsiang-Jung Wu	Deputy Minister, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission	Moderator / Speak
	Prof. Tsai-Tsu Su	Professor and Chairperson, Department of Political Science, National Taiwan University	Moderator / Speak
	Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung	Chief Secretary, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission	Moderator / Speak
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Introduction

The focus on performance in government is not new. It can be traced back to the early 1900s in the United States of America and Canada. At the time, the focus was primarily on the efficiency of local and municipal governments.

After World War II, the scope of performance management in the public sector expanded and the interest shifted to the cost of government. It was the time of Planning, Programming and Budgeting (PPB); of Management by Objectives (MBO) and of Zero-Based Budgeting (ZBB).

In the 1980s and 1990s the field expanded once more. Performance measurement became more extensive and more intensive, to the point where some authors consider that one of the most striking features of the public service reform agenda over the past twenty years has been the focus on performance in the public sector.

Where is it all leading? Some now talk of its "international apogee" (Bouckaert, Halligan, 2006), while others see no signs that the trend is about to slow down. Others worry about the proliferation of performance indicators.

The real question is: Will performance management be an impediment or a contributor to good governance, good government and the renewal of public administration over the coming years?

Despite the progress to date, performance management is not currently well-positioned to improve decision-making in government or to improve results by creating higher net public value. In a word, *performance management and performance measurement systems in the public sector are underperforming*.

For those in a position to influence the future directions in this field, it is important to explore how performance measurement and performance management can be repositioned to best serve government and citizens in the XXI century?

Answering this question requires a prior understanding of how public administration as a discipline is evolving and what are the most important trends.

Not Entirely of the Past, Not Yet of the Future

The past thirty years have been a rich period of experimentation in public administration aimed at making government more efficient, effective, productive, transparent and responsive.

It was also a period where much was learned about governance – the shared responsibilities of the private sector, the public sector, civil society and citizens to create



public goods; serve the collective interest and achieve a high standard of living and quality of life.

Good governance is a necessary condition for economic prosperity and social justice. Government provides the structure and sets the agenda. Governance is how the work gets done.

The Classic Model of Public Administration

The Classic model of public administration emerged from the nineteenth century, a period characterized by the industrial revolution, where government was the primary institution responsible for serving the public good.

It was founded on a number of conventions and *multiple separations*, between:

- Market and Democracy;
- Politics and Administration;
- Public Policy-Making and Implementation;
- Staff and Line agencies.

Public services were tangible, consumable and for the most part were provided *directly* by government agencies, without intermediaries.

The model was well-suited for repetitive tasks performed under precisely prescribed rules. Under the influence of scientific management, it was believed that, with few exceptions, it was possible to define the "best way" to achieve complex results by breaking them down into simple tasks. Controls, and in particular central controls, were the way to ensure performance and accountability.

The New Public Management

The New Public Management is an *extension of the Classic model* of public administration. If anything, it has exacerbated the separation between politics and administration; public policy-making and implementation. It has increased the desegregation of government through the creation of arm's length agencies, thus making interagency coordination and cooperation more difficult. (Gregory, 2007)

Despite all that was said about the need for flexibility, the reliance of New Public Management on scientific management has meant a continued reliance on *ex ante* controls, as well as an increased impetus for *ex post* quantification and the use of performance measurements. As a result, public administration in many countries is more bureaucratic today than ever before.



Towards a New Model of Public Administration

Today, few government activities come close to the Classic service delivery model, which was organized hierarchically and controlled by delegated authority (OECD, 1997). A recurring theme of the global government reform movement is the growth of non-traditional, non-hierarchical and often non-governmental approaches to service delivery (Kettle, 2005).

- Governments achieve results in a world of *shared governance*, characterized by a dispersion of power and authority involving the public sector, the private sector, civil society and citizens.
- No government, and no country, control all the tools or have access to all the levers needed to address the complex problems people really care about. Coordinating complex operations, that span beyond the control of government, is the trademark of public administration in the 21st century.
- Most government activities and services are not the final results but simply an *intermediate* step in a chain of activities involving many organizations working toward achieving a desired public outcome.
- An increasing number of public policies require the active *participation of citizens*, as agent, to achieve the desired outcome, in particular when issues require a change of societal behavior that is beyond the legislative authority of the State or the government's ability to act. Furthermore, modern communication and information technologies allow citizens to reclaim their public institutions by contributing to service design and in some cases taking charge of service delivery. This is turning public administration on its head. (OECD, 2007)
- An increasing portion of government services are intangible and knowledge based. The quality and the nature of the services provided depend on the accumulated knowledge of the organization and on the know-how of the public servant providing the service. The tasks cannot be precisely defined, even less prescribed. In this context controls do not lead to improved performance, instead they transfer resources from serving citizens to internal purposes; they may even stifle innovation.
- Indirect tools account for the bulk of government services. The use of these instruments (such as grants, loans, insurance, transfers to other levels of government, tax credits) breaks the link in the traditional accountability model between funding decisions and service delivery. New forms of accountability for results are needed to take account of this situation. (Salamon, 2002)

As a result, the current practice of public administration is no longer entirely consistent with the Classic model and practitioners are left without the benefit of a modern integrated theory adapted to today's circumstances (Bourgon, 2007).



Societies everywhere have struggled to cope with the radical shift from the Industrial Age to the Information Age.

Government is no exception. All administrative systems in government including financial management, performance management, human resource management and control systems of all kinds come from the industrial age and a mechanistic and monopolistic concept of government operations. The world has changed. (Osborne, 2006)

Part of the reform efforts in government over the past thirty years has been to start the process of *reclaiming public administration* to ensure that it is better connected in theory and in practice with its time and the problems it must solve. (Kettl, 2002)

Politics and Administration are two parts of a single dynamic and open system: where ends and means, values and facts, policy and service delivery must meet; where what is judged to be desirable must converge with what is feasible.

A good public policy is one that achieves intended results at the lowest possible cost to society while minimizing unintended consequences. While policy decisions get the most public attention, policy implementation is where success is defined. The role of public administration is to transform ideas into solid results to serve the public interest (Levin, Sanger, 1994). Performance management for results forms part of the common language connecting Politics and Administration.

Future trends in public administration involve moving from an intellectual framework of *multiple separations* to one of *multiple democratic interactions* to meet the imperatives of serving in the XXIst Century.



Figure 1: Administration and Politics

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Performance Management for Results

The ultimate worth of a performance management system is the use that is made of it. By that standard, and despite the progress that was made during the 1980s and 1990s, performance management in government is not performing very well.

There are reasons for this. First, in the vast majority of cases, the focus has been on performance measurement, not on performance management. Second, performance measurement systems have been asked to serve multiple users and multiple purposes – some political, others administrative. They are used as control mechanisms and at the same time they are expected to encourage learning, innovation and continued improvement.

No system can credibly be all things to all people. (Thomas, 2004) The results have not been very satisfying for anyone. All the indicators point to the fact that the use of performance evidence by program managers at all levels is limited. Performance evidence is rarely used as the basis for new public policy decisions by elected officials (in fact, in most countries there has been limited demand for performance information by elected officials). While performance evidence can inform budget decisions, there is room to debate the advisability of performance-based budgeting – rewarding the best performers with incremental resources or linking performance results and performance pay at the expense of rewarding collective efforts.

After years of efforts, led by central agencies, to integrate performance measurement into planning, programming and budgeting there is little evidence that it has contributed to framing Parliamentary discussions. When eventually some performance measures enter the public domain, it is generally focused on "horror stories", which immediately creates a chill for both political officials and administrators.

Separated from the political process, public debate and management decision-making, performance measurement and management is simply an instrument of control and an expensive one at that. (Halligan, 2007) Increasing costs, unreasonable expectations and, above all limited use of performance information by decision-makers will eventually lead to course correction, thus running the risk of losing the positive aspects in the process.

Performance management and performance measurement systems might not just be at their "apogee". If changes are not made, after 20 years of expansion, they are at risk of disappointing everyone and going into decline.

There is no need to wait for that to happen. Performance management in government needs to be repositioned to improve its performance. The ultimate worth of the system is the use made of it *by managers*, by *elected officials and* ultimately by *citizens*.

Repositioning Performance Management

Repositioning performance management must start with clarity of purpose:



The goal of performance management should be to improve decision-making in government at all levels in order to achieve better public results and enhance the net public value of those results.

The test of good performance management is to:

- Contribute to better decisions by managers; better public policy decisions by elected officials and a better understanding of public policy choices open to citizens; and
- It should also help identify and remove the obstacles to better results; shed light on the reasons for failures and the need for adjustments.

Better knowledge about results, outcomes and impact should form part of the learning and feedback process to improve results. It should inform the political process by bringing relevant information on the outcome and impact of policy choices to the attention of ministers, elected officials and citizens.

To play this role, a number of changes should be considered.

Performance management for results should be kept distinct from central control mechanisms

Performance management should be an instrument of innovation and performance improvement not an instrument of control and compliance. While it can help inform the need for controls, a reasonable distance should be maintained between control mechanisms to ensure *compliance* and performance management systems to achieve better *results*. The two roles are needed but they are different and at times even in conflict. (Aucoin, 2001) Performance management for results should help make the case for the orderly reduction of controls and their impact on results.

To some this is heresy, but there is reason to believe that the limited use of performance information by managers and public sector decision-makers flows directly from the lack of clarity on this point and the inherent conflict between the two roles.

Performance management systems should integrate the needs of elected officials and citizens

Government programs, direct or indirect, and government funding were born out of a *political process*. If a performance management system is to assist Ministers, then their views on the desired outcomes, as well as the indicators most susceptible to encourage public debate, must be factored into the design of the performance management system. Securing an understanding of what constitutes success must be part of the process, in particular when the outcome requires the contribution of several agencies and multiple partners.



Likewise, *citizen involvement* increases the likelihood of integrating performance information and public policy decisions. It helps to identify the areas of greatest interest to citizens and to get user feedback on the need for improvements. Citizens, as users, are an important part of the government innovation cycle. (Ho, 2007)

Performance management systems should recognize that different users have different information needs

There is no evidence that the information needed by managers for decision-making satisfy the information needs of Ministers, elected officials and of the legislature or the information needs of citizens. (Thomas, 2004)

A more realistic approach is to recognize that different users have *different* but *interrelated* information needs. A public sector performance management system should be designed as one integrated but differentiated system responding to different needs and purposes:

- The agency keeping in mind the particular needs of managers and the users of the services
- System-wide keeping in mind the particular needs of Ministers, elected officials and the legislature
- Societal keeping in mind the need for accountability to the general public for good government and good governance in the country.



Figure 2: Achieving Results

Others have also suggested the importance of looking beyond the agency level (in particular Bouckaert, Halligan, 2008).

Over the last 20 years, performance measurement and management have been used primarily for control, efficiency and accountability purposes at the agency level. The greatest benefits would come from a focus on effectiveness at the agency level, on



system-wide results and societal impact. It would reintegrate performance measurement and management with the political process, where choices are made to accommodate different values, competing demands and interests.

Agency Results

The agency is primarily concerned about converting inputs (resources, people, and organizational capacity), in the most efficient way, into *activities* that result in *outputs*. These outputs enter society in different ways: sometimes as a product (e.g. a permit), or as a service (e.g. information on how to find employment), or in most cases as an intermediate step to an *outcome* of value to society today (e.g. product labeling to enhance consumer confidence) or for the benefit of future generations (e.g. monitoring fish stocks).

At the agency level, the role of performance management should be to support sustained, incremental improvements. The best performance management system would be the one that provides to the right people, at the right time and at the lowest possible cost, with the information needed to make decisions, or to action change, in order to improve results. As the collection of performance information is costly and diverts resources from service delivery, managers must think carefully about what to collect and why – there is a need to monitor the performance of performance management systems. The role of a performance management for results, at the agency level, is to help create a *culture* of sustained improvements and *accelerate the process of decisions* to bring about better results.

Performance management for results at the agency level should be linked to the *decision-making authority* able to influence results within the legislative authority of the agency. Otherwise, performance management is unlikely to remain credible for very long and to be taken seriously by decision-makers. Performance management for results helps government to rely on learning and invention rather than instruction and command.

Performance Management versus Compliance

As noted above, while performance management can help inform the need for controls, control mechanisms to ensure *compliance* and performance management systems to achieve better *results* are not the same thing:

- In Government how you do things is sometimes as important as what you do. Some controls are fundamental in a public sector setting (e.g. respect for the law, democratic values, etc.) These requirements are not negotiable, they apply to all public organizations, and compliance is ensured through *process controls*.
- Agencies are also constrained through input controls related to the level of resources
 provided to the organization as well as ex ante approval to access, deploy or use the
 resources to fulfill its mission.



Output controls have more recently been added to the mix, leading in too many cases to an excessive proliferation of performance indicators. (Gregory, 2007)
 In some countries controls are associated to various "incentives" or "punitive" measures including resource allocation or performance pay.

Government-wide controls are imposed by central authorities, but additional controls and constraints are added by departments and agencies at every level along the chain of delegated authority. The end result can be a disproportionate cost of compliance compared to the expected benefits, and at the expense of delivering the mission of the agency. (Barzelay, Babak, 1997)

In other words, controls divert a fraction of the public funds voted to achieve results for citizens to a legitimate but unchallenged and in most cases undeclared purpose. The costs of compliance as well as the nature of the controls and constraints impact directly on the capacity of the agency to convert input into activities, outputs and, therefore to achieve results.

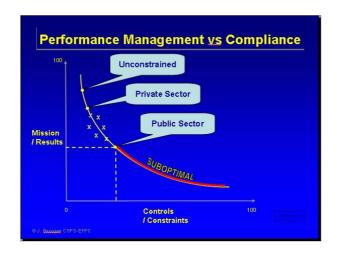


Figure 3: Results VS Cost of Controls/Constraints

Controls and constraints play a useful role when they set the limits within which discretion can be exercised by agency employees to achieve results or when they set the parameters of acceptable behavior for public organizations. ((Kelman, unpublished)

The challenge is to find the optimal balance between *minimizing the cost of controls/ constraints* and *maximizing the net public value* of government services. No agency is successful if it is able to comply with very conceivable constraints but unable to achieve results or if a significant part of its resources and energy is used to ensure that constraints are met.

A performance management system focused on results should help to reduce controls when there is no compelling evidence of benefits. It should lead to progressively removing *ex ante* controls as performance management systems focused on results are put in place and the quality of the information collected reaches satisfactory levels.



Achieving Results

In government the path between outputs and outcomes is generally indirect and takes form through a range of actors – public, private, not for profit and citizens themselves.

Public policies do not emerge fully formed in the legislation. While the initial policy "intent" may be reasonably clear, public policies take shape and evolve through actions.

By doing, organizations learn about themselves and about the capabilities they need to achieve better results. In government, small steps and incremental innovations are the preferred way towards achieving better results because they facilitate learning and experimentation, while reducing the risks of failure. (Behn, 1988)

Sometimes, actions and ongoing improvements will reveal the need to make adjustments to the initial policy intent. Performance management focused on results contributes to the political process by reporting on the impact and effects of what was previously preferred but also by providing insights "on what we have since learned to prefer". (Browne, Wildavsky, 1984) It enriches the *political process* because it reveals how course corrections and improvements can help achieve better results. In the process, this leads to changes in the initial policy ideas as well as the desired policy outcomes.

Public policies and implementation are one; "the idea is embodied in the action". (Majone, Wildavsky, 1984)

System-Wide Results

A successful and well-performing agency does not make a successful public policy system: a well-performing hospital does not amount to a well-performing health system; a well-performing school does not mean that a well-performing education system is in place. For that, a vast network of organizations must work in synergy with each other to achieve the desired public policy outcomes and create net public value. (Bouckaert, Halligan, 2008)

Most of the results relevant to citizen and politicians are beyond the direct control of a single government agency. (Christensen, Laegreid, 2007) A system-wide approach is necessary to address the challenge of shared outcomes, where the goal cannot be achieved by organizations working in isolation and where government agencies must coordinate their activities to achieve the goals set by politicians. (Cook, 2004)

It is necessary when the outcome is the result of the action of several levels of governments, or of several actors in society over which governments do not have direct control. A system-wide approach helps to recognize the reality of multiple organization relationships within and beyond government working through networks, partnerships and other coordination mechanisms. This is a defining characteristic of government and public administration in the 21st century.



System-wide performance management follows the chain of activities among actors leading to the ultimate public policy outcomes.

It is undoubtedly difficult to do and it gives rise to all kinds of methodological problems, including establishing the incremental impact of government actions. This, however, is no reason not to follow this avenue since it is at this level that performance measurement and performance management is most relevant to politicians, and most likely to contribute to improving government decision-making.

A system-wide approach can be used selectively in the areas of greatest interest to politicians and citizens. It can also be used effectively in response to government priorities.

International Comparison

One promising avenue for system-wide performance measurement and management is to focus on areas that allow for international comparative analysis. Countries face different circumstances; they have different institutions, histories and cultures. They make different policy choices. Yet they all have large networks and systems aimed at achieving similar policy outcomes. This is the case, for instance, in health and education.

Over the past 50 years, the OECD Secretariat has conducted comparative impact assessment of various public policy mixes in many sectors for the benefit of member countries. Its contribution has been invaluable. The OECD methodology can be replicated in government as well as at the sub-national, national and regional levels.

Supporting Government Priorities_

An ongoing complaint of elected officials is the lack of responsiveness of the Administration to government priorities. A second avenue is to use a system-wide approach in support of government-wide priorities. Depending on the government priority, system-wide performance management entails coordination among diverse types of organizations including:

- Multiple agencies under the general authority of one lead department;
- Interdepartmental cooperation requiring the involvement and active contribution of several departments with independent legislative authority and accountability; or
- Intergovernmental cooperation when multiple jurisdictions are involved, including local authorities, sub-national public organizations, other levels of government with distinct governance structures and accountabilities to citizens.

A system-wide approach offers the best opportunity to modernize the role of the *Centre of government* from the command and control role of the Classic model to ensuring



coherence and synergy in the interdepartmental and intergovernmental space of modern governance.

It also creates the opportunity to transform the role of line *departments* from performing in vertical isolation to being the centre of large networks of organizations, public and private, associated to achieving a common public outcome. Its role becomes to capture and disseminate knowledge; to accelerate decision-making and innovation in support of a common outcome; to anticipate problems requiring policy involvement and policy decisions. In a word, the role of department is to lead and support the collective effort in support of a common desired outcome. Some of these responsibilities are currently exercised at the center of government which generally means that issues receive attention when it is too late and in a traditional crisis mode.

A Possible Approach

In all cases, a system-wide approach requires *new coordination mechanisms*, the involvement of all interested parties to achieve a shared understanding of the common desired outcomes, and a common approach to data collection and information sharing. Most failed attempts at system-wide performance management have been due to insufficient attention to one or all of these conditions of success.

Shared responsibility for results requires different management approaches and different common monitoring systems. Leadership, moral suasion, relationships of trust and traditional authorities are needed to bring about results. In this regard, the model used by the OECD experience is worth noting:

- It works through consensus to set priorities and to identify the common area of work;
- It requires all members to share the responsibility for rigorous data collection and data sharing;
- Members share the obligation to fund a common but independent Secretariat to support the data analysis and policy research on behalf of the collective;
- The work of the Secretariat is held to the highest scientific standard. Its work is evidence-based and leads to creating shared statistical data bases covering long periods of time, which is essential to assess the impact of public policies.
- It relies on peer review and peer learning as a way of spreading best practices and of encouraging innovations. Finally, all analysis and reports are publicly available.

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System-wide results are the most meaningful for *political officials* since they reveal real policy choices and trade-offs. They facilitate *citizens' engagement* by providing information about the results most significant to them: the performance of the education



system to ensure the literacy of their children and the acquisition of the necessary skills to compete and make a living in the global economy; the performance of the health system in terms of access, costs, child mortality or life expectancy; the performance of the security system and citizens' safety on the street or in their communities; the intergenerational fairness and impact of social security programs. (Bourgon, unpublished)

System-wide performance reporting, political decision-making and citizen engagement are mutually reinforcing. When an effective integration is achieved, the capacity to improve *outcomes* is enhanced for the system as a whole. (Callahan, 2007)

Societal Results

Societal level performance results are a country's "scorecard". It is the sum of the contributions of the public sector, private sector, civil society and citizens themselves. It is about reporting to citizens on the overall performance of the country as a result of actions by government and all other actors.

In essence, societal results are about the governance of a country. While it might not be possible to isolate the contribution of a single actor, good governance and good government can be defined and the results can be measured. They can be made available for all to see.

At the level of societal results, there is a direct connection between *performance and democracy*. It requires political involvement in defining the measures against which societal performance will be assessed. It needs to make use of statistical methodologies and take place over a multi-year time horizon. To be credible, it requires independence in the data collection and assessment. The involvement of the nation's statistical collection agency is necessary to meet these requirements and provide this credibility.

Societal performance reporting is a new form of public accountability to citizens. If done well, it can elevate public debate and discussion about the impact of policy choices and the trade-offs among policy options. Societal results can provide better information to those seeking public office concerning the choices they wish to advocate in the court of public opinion.

It is worth noting that some efforts are being made to develop and report societal performance, such as the United Nations quality of life indicators and the World Bank's country performance indicators. Some countries, including Canada, have begun to make deliberate efforts to report societal indicators.

Conclusion

The focus of performance management in government should be about improved decision-making to achieve results – because *it's the results that count*.



Performance management should support better decisions by managers, better public policy decisions by elected officials and a better understanding of public policy choices by citizens. On all these counts, *performance management is under performing* and it is, therefore, at risk.

Performance management needs to be re-positioned. More measures and more indicators will not guarantee better results and is, therefore, not the answer.

At the agency level, performance management needs to become an instrument of innovation and performance improvement, not an instrument of control and compliance. It should help to free the agency of unnecessary and costly controls in order to speed up the innovation process.

As government programs were born out of a political process, the focus of performance management needs to move up to system-wide results and reintegrate elected officials and citizens. This is where the greatest benefit could be achieved.

System-wide and societal results, political decision-making and citizen engagement are mutually reinforcing. When an effective integration is achieved, the capacity of the country to provide good government and good governance is enhanced. Citizen's trust is the ultimate measure of good government and good governance. This is the result that counts the most.



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Agenda Item:002

Performance and Results in OECD Member Countries

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Performance and Results in **OECD Member countries**

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Agenda

- A few words about the OECD
- General discussion of performance and results
- Key issues for successfully implementing performance and results
- · A few final words about planning



The OECD

- International Organization
- Based in Paris
- 2,400 Staff
- 30 Member countries
- Extensive co-operation with other countries
- Forum of Officials
- Senior Budget Officials Group
- Policy Research
- Best practices, country peer reviews, databases

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To begin...

"Performance is a deceptively simple idea: simple because it is easy to express key concepts and objectives; deceptive because it is hard to apply these ideas in government."

> - Allen Schick OECD, *The Performing State*



The shift to performance and results may be the most important trend in budgeting

- Away from "Budgeting for Inputs"
 - "How much money can I get?"
- Towards "Budgeting for Measurable Results"
 - "What can I achieve with this money?"
- But no standard definition exists of what constitutes performance and results budgeting

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The Objective: Improved Quality of Decision-Making

- ✓ It generates a **sharper focus on performance and results** within the government
- ✓ It provides **more and better information** on government **goals and priorities**, and on how different programmes contribute to achieving these goals
- ✓ It encourages a **greater emphasis on planning** and acts as a signalling device that provides key actors with details on what is working and what is not
- ✓ It **improves transparency** by providing more and better information to legislatures and to the public
- ✓ It has the potential to **improve the management** of programmes and efficiency 6

However, Few Countries Have Successfully Integrated Performance and Results into their Budget Processes

- ✓ Performance and results too often is a purely technical exercise...
 - Abundant performance information is generated
 - Budgets are re-classified by programmes
- ✓ ...But nothing changes
 - No impact on budget allocations
 - No impact on programme effectiveness and efficiency
 - Performance and results information is simply ignored

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Key Issues for Successfully Implementing Performance and Results



Manage Expectations

- Performance and results is not a "magic bullet"
- Perceptions on performance and results vary widely
 - Be clear what it is, and what it is not
- Implementing performance and results is a longterm process
 - Create step-by-step milestones

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Link to Budget Allocation

- Allocating funds strictly on the basis of performance and results is hard to apply in practice
- It may be suitable for some specific areas
- For example, education / health care/old-age care homes
- But it ignores other salient considerations
- Need to finance ongoing activities
- If performance and results information is "negative", does that mean resources should be increased or decreased?
- Political promises and interest group demands



Complementary Reforms

- Successful performance and results is a part of wider public management reforms
 - It cannot be implemented in a vacuum
- Specifically, performance and results needs to replace traditional input controls
 - It's the quid pro quo of the model
 - Otherwise, it's seen by managers as simply yet another layer of controls
- "Being held accountable for what you don't control"

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Institutional Roles

- Prime Minister's Office / Presidency
- Ministry of Finance
- Line ministries and agencies
- Leadership and strategic capacity
- Investment in human resources capacity
- Top-down vs. bottom-up approaches
- Asymmetric information
- Need to change budget calendar in some cases



Measuring Activities

- Outcomes and outputs
 - Need to focus on both
- Some areas are more easily measured than others
 - Policy areas vs. service delivery areas
 - "Hard" service delivery areas vs. "soft" service delivery areas
- Role of targets
 - Risk of distorting behaviour
 - Focus on activities where change is desired
- · Credibility and reliability
 - Auditing performance and results information
- · Other performance and results instruments
 - Evaluations, peer reviews, benchmarking, Inspectorates



Avoid Information Overload

- A main reason for the "failure" of performance and results in the past
 - Submissions "the size of phonebooks"
- Level of information detail needs to be commensurate with the requirements of the user
 - Cascading levels of detail needed
- "Bad information drives out good information"



Greatest Challenge: Politicians

- By nature, they focus on inputs and activities
 - Individual ministers, cabinet, and Members of the Legislature
- Strong political leadership and commitment required
 - Consensus among political parties?
- Special interest groups synthesise performance and results information in order to publicly embarrass governments
 - Serves to create "demand" by politicians

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"Planning"

- Strategic planning is important
 - It's long-term (budgeting: short-term)
 - It's change-oriented (budgeting: continuity)
 - It's opportunity-based (budgeting: incremental- and cost-based)
- But often unrealistic
 - Not subject to an explicit budget constraint
 - Only identifies new (and many) priorities
 - No identification of low priorities or cuts
- Budgets and plans are notoriously difficult to integrate



Conclusion

• Similar Reforms Across OECD countries

- But from different starting points...
- ...And at different speeds
- ...And with different emphasis

"Health Warning"

• Don't Leapfrog!

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Economy Experience Sharing 1-Chinese Taipei

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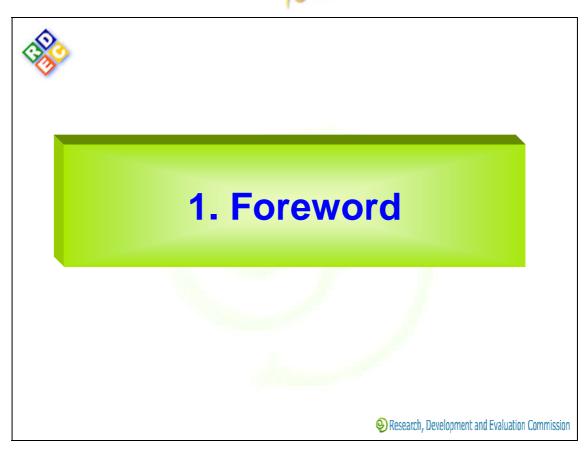
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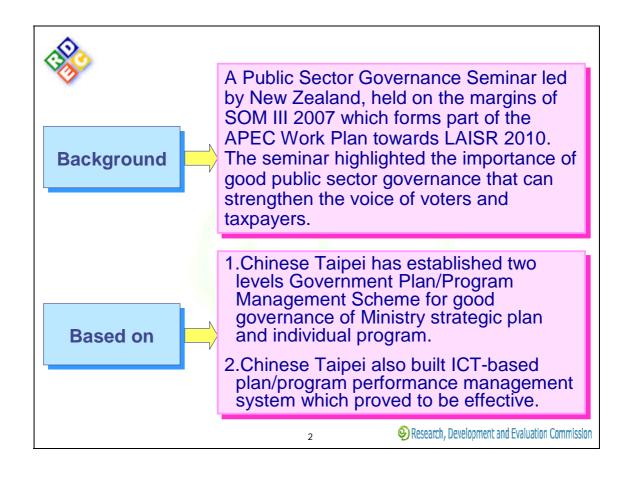
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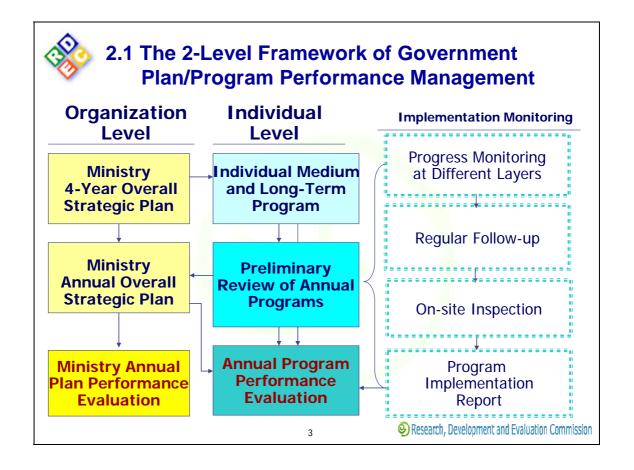
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- 2. Government Plan/Program Performance Management Scheme
- 3. Ministry 4-Year Overall Strategic Plan Review and Evaluation
- 4. Individual Medium and Long-Term Program Review and Evaluation
- 5. Web-based Government Plan/Program Performance Management (GPMnet)
- 6. Suggestions and Prospects

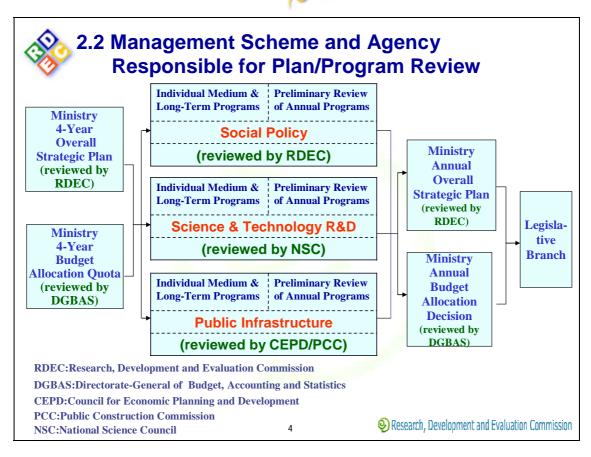






2. Government Plan/Program Performance Management Scheme





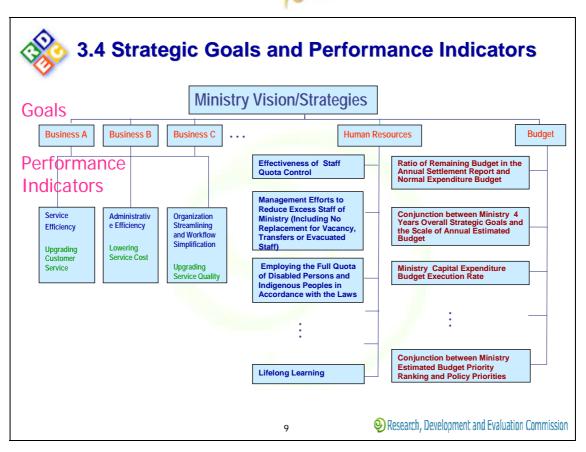




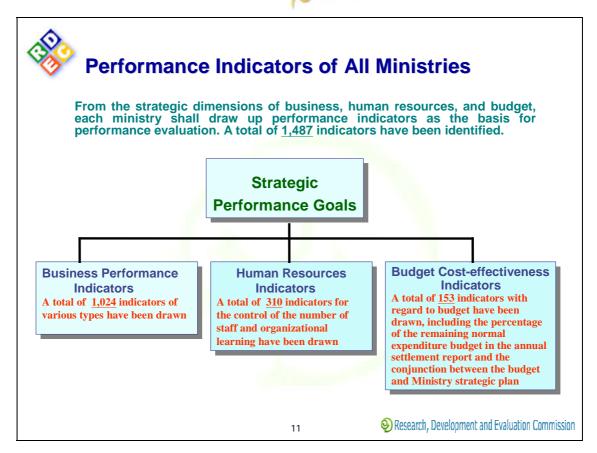














Selection of Performance Indicators and Target Setting

- Performance indicators should be representative, comprehensive, continuous, and viable.
- Performance indicators should be outcomeoriented instead of output/processs/inputoriented.
- ♠ Each ministry should refer to the actual targets achieved in the past 3 years for target setting. The targets for the next four years should be established concerning the changing pattern for each indicator and should be basically set at 10% higher than the previous targets.





3.5 Revision of Ministry 4-Year Overall Strategic Plan

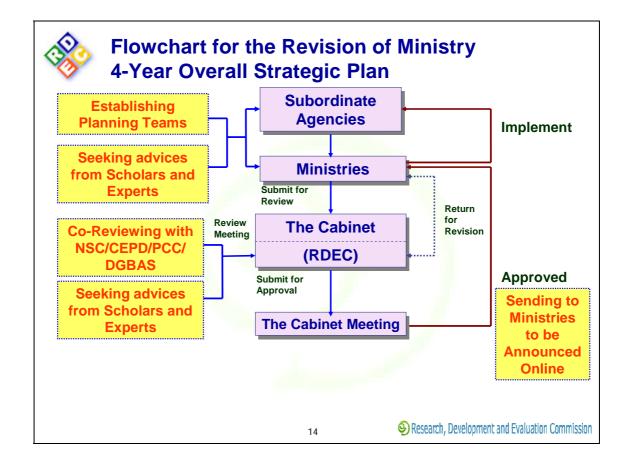
 Conduct Performance Review and Revise/Rollover Every 4 Years

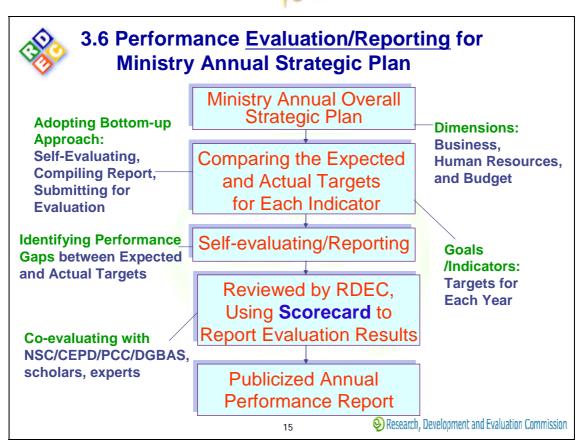
In line with the term of leader, ministries shall review and revise overall strategic plan for the next 4 years (YearX+1~YearX+4) during the inauguration year (Year X) of the leader.

Conduct the Revision Process in Q1 of Every Year

Agencies shall revise strategic plan given that there are no changes on strategic goals, performance indicators and 4 years final target.

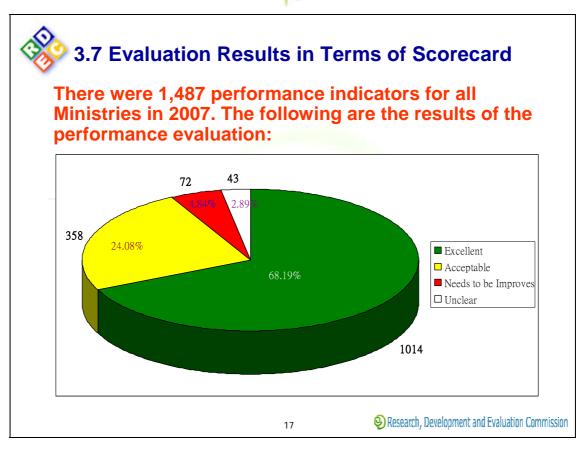
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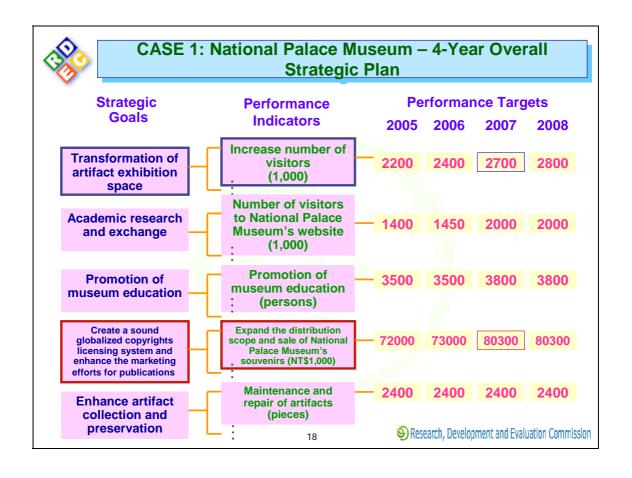


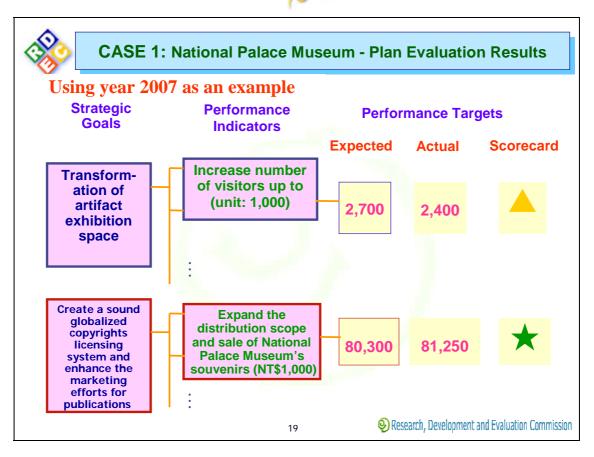


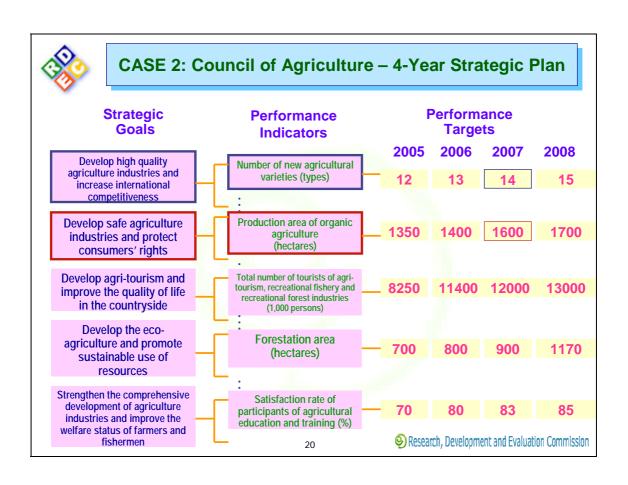
	S	Scorecard Management		
Status	Performance Rating	Evaluation Descriptions		
★ Green	Excellent	1. Challenging goals 2. Goal obtainment rate is above 90%		
Yellow	Acceptable	1.Challenging goals 2.Goal obtainment rate is under 90% but still above 80%		
Red	Needs to be improved	 Proven lapses in implementation efforts Goal obtainment rate is less than 80% 		
□ White	Unclear (Requiring more objective verification)	 only output, no clear outcome yet Significant results cannot be verified at the beginning year of program implementation 		
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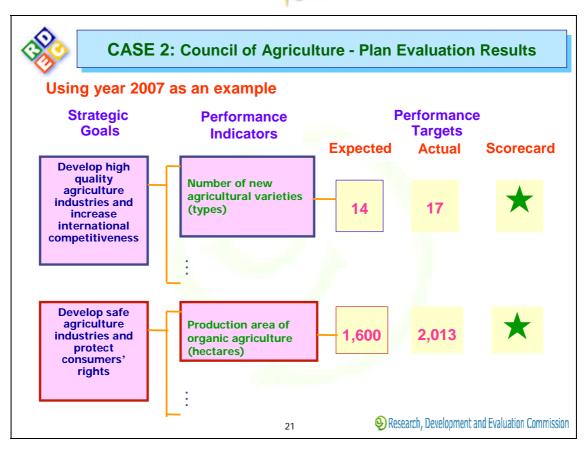




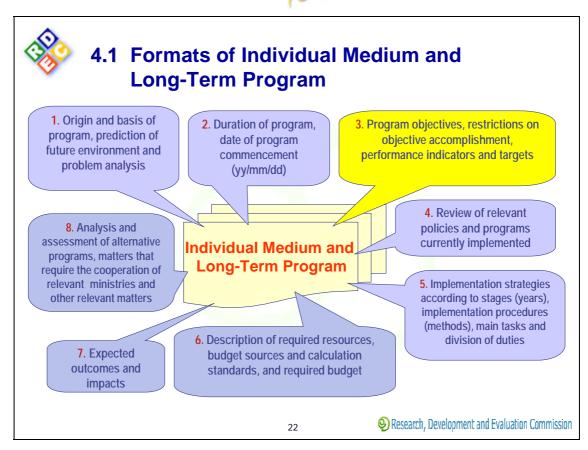


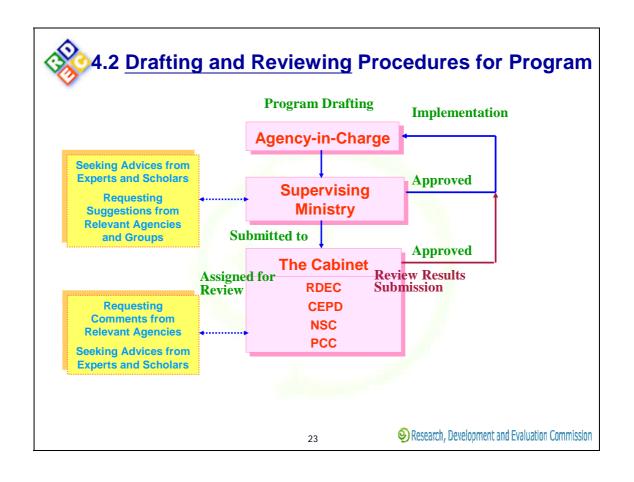


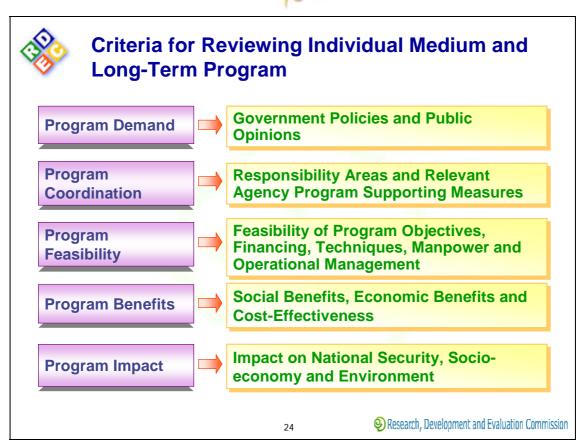












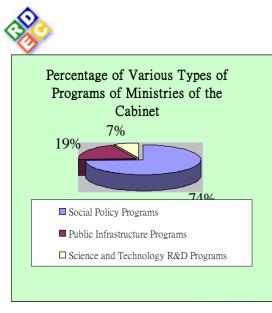


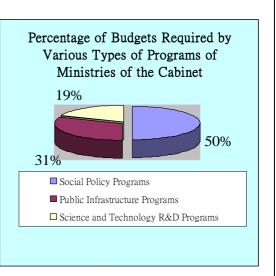


4.4 Number of Individual Medium and Long-Term Programs under the 4-Year Strategic Plan



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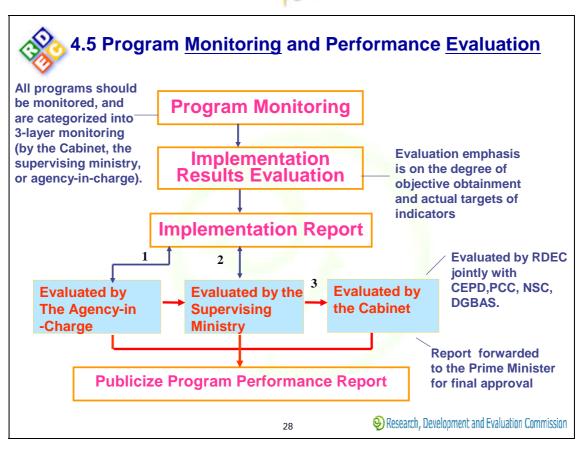
Social Policy Programs: A total of 838 programs (74%).

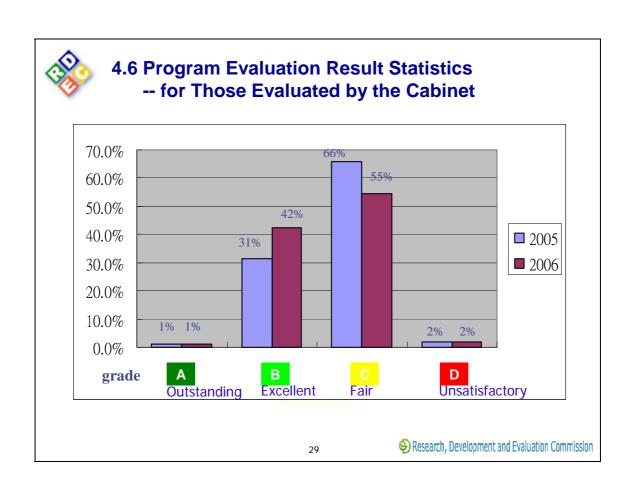
Public Infrastructure Programs: A total of 210 programs (19%).

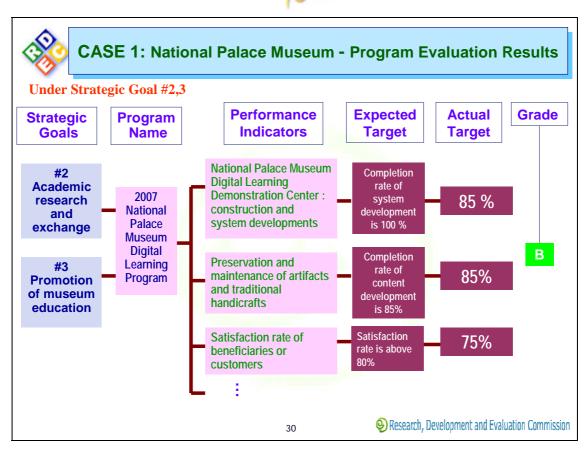
Science and Technology R&D Programs: A total of 78 programs (7%).

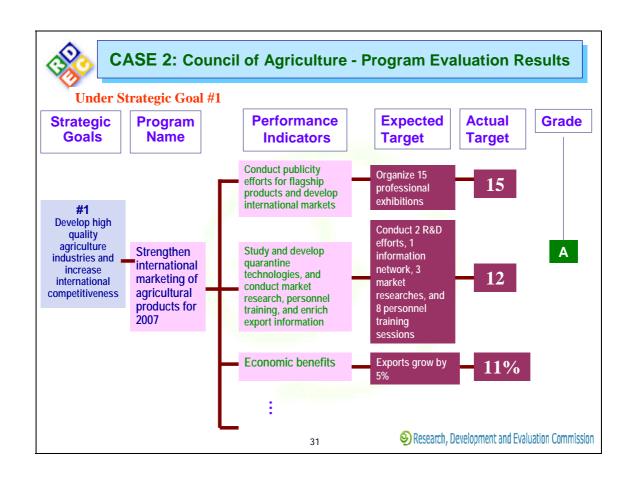
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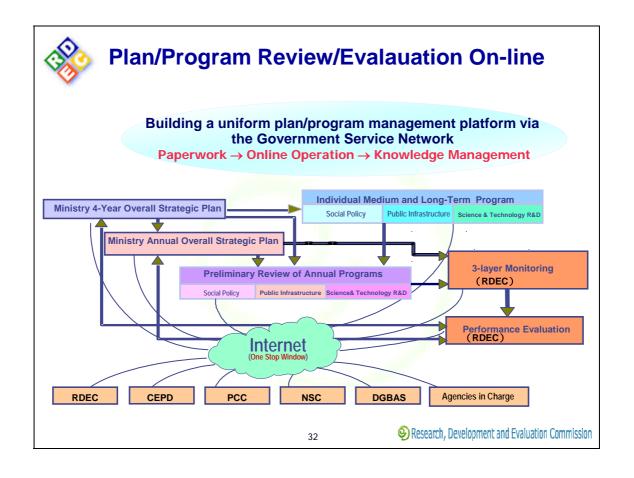






5. Web-based Government Plan/Program Performance Management (GPMnet)

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6. Suggestions and Prospects

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6.1 Suggestions

- Developing online auditing mechanism to improve ministry internal control.
- Integrating other administrative management information systems (such as budget) to support top-level decision-making.
- ☐ Introducing the GPMnet to local governments to promote nationwide performance management.
- Exchanging ideas on good governance among international community.

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6.2 Prospects

- □ Accountability: Everybody knows which ministry accounts for what kind of plan/program implemented in specific time and place.
- Transparency: Everybody can get performance evaluation information about ministry plan and program on-line.
- Participation: Everybody may participate during the review and evaluation process of ministry plan and program.

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Appendix—Abbreviation and Full Name

MOI	Ministry of the Interior		
MOFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs		
MND	Ministry of National Defense		
MOF	Ministry of Finance		
MOE	Ministry of Education		
MOJ	Ministry of Justice		
MOEA	Ministry of Economic Affairs		
мотс	Ministry of Transportation and Communications		
MTAC	Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission		
OCAC	Oversea Compatriot Affairs Commission		
DGBAS Directorate-General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics			
СРА	Central Personnel Administration		
GIO	Government Information Office		
DOH	Department of Health		
EPA	Environmental Protection Administration		
CGA	Coast Guard Administration		
NPM	National Palace Museum		
MAC	Mainland Affairs Council		
CEPD	Council for Economic Planning and Development		

VAC	Veterans Affairs Commission			
NYC	National Youth Commission			
AEC	Atomic Energy Commission			
NSC	National Science Council,			
RDEC	Research, Development, and Evaluation Commission			
COA	Council of Agriculture			
CCA	Council for Cultural Affairs			
CLA	Council of Labor Affairs			
FTC	Fair Trade Commission			
CPC	Consumer Protection Commission			
PCC	Public Construction Commission			
CIP	Council of Indigenous Peoples			
SAC	Sports Affairs Council			
НАККА	Council for Hakka Affairs			
CEC	Central Election Commission			
TPG	Taiwan Province Government			
TPCC	Taiwan Provincial Consultative Council			
FPG	Fukien Provincial Government			

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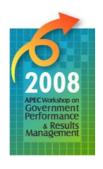


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Economy Experience Sharing 2-U.S.A Results Management and Performance Improvement: U.S. Government-wide Efforts

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Results Management and Performance Improvement: U.S. Government-wide Efforts

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Government-wide Efforts in to Improvement Performance and Results Management

- Overview
- Government Performance Results Act Framework
 - Strategic Plans, Annual Performance Plans
 - Annual Performance Reports, Program Evaluation
- Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART) / Performance Improvement Initiative
 - Program Assessment
 - Improvement Plans
 - Integration with the Annual Budget Process
 - President's Management Agenda Scorecard
- Institutionalizing Performance and Results Management
 - Program Improvement Officers
 - Senior Executive Performance Appraisal Certification

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Overview -- Dates in Performance Management

- **1966:** Johnson Administration launched "Planning, Programming, and Budgeting System"
- c.1972: Nixon Administration followed with "Management by Objective"
- 1977: Carter Administration introduced "Zero-Based Budgeting"
- 1993: Government Performance Results Act Enacted
 - Clinton Administration implementation
- 2002: Program Assessment Rating Tool and President's Management Agenda introduced and implemented
- 2007: Executive Order 13450 Improving Government Program Performance

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Government Performance Results Act of 1993 Agency Requirements

Strategic Plan

- Covering a period of at least five years
- Updated and revised at least every three years

Annual Performance Plan

- Covers each program activity set forth in the agency budget
- Establishes performance goals to define the level of performance to be achieved by each program activity

Annual Performance Report

- Programs report results in relation to their performance goals
- Results reported for the current year and three preceding years
- Includes explanations for why goals were not met



Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART)

- Assesses Programs in Four Key Dimensions
 - 1. Purpose and Design
 - 2. Planning
 - 3. Management
 - 4. Results and Accountability
- Encourages Continuous Improvement
 - Establishment and updating of Improvement Plans
- Applies Consistent Framework to all Programs
- Generates Objective Program Ratings
 - Effective, Moderately Effective, Adequate, Ineffective
 - Results Not Demonstrated
- Completion in Time for Agency Budget Decisionmaking

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Performance Improvement Initiative President's Management Agenda Scorecard

- Management Practices and Capabilities
 - Senior agency managers meet at least quarterly to examine integrated financial and performance information.
 - Agency works to improve program performance and efficiency each year.
 - Strategic plans contain a limited number of outcome-oriented goals and objectives.
 - Annual budget and performance measures identified in the PART and focus on information used by senior management.
 - Reports the full cost of achieving performance goals accurately in budget and performance documents.
 - Can accurately estimate the marginal cost of changing performance goals.
 - Has at least one efficiency measure for each PARTed program.

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Performance Improvement Initiative President's Management Agenda Scorecard

Management Practices and Capabilities (cont.)

- Uses PART assessments to direct program improvements and hold managers accountable for those improvements.
- Uses PART findings and performance information consistently to justify funding requests, management actions, and legislative proposals.
- Uses marginal cost analysis to inform resource allocations, as appropriate.

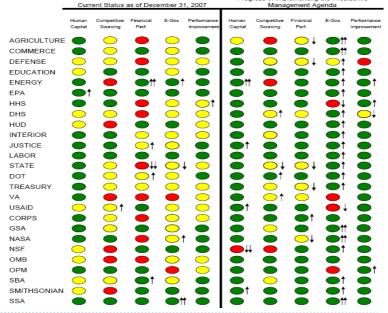
Results

- Less than 10% of agency programs receive a Results Not Demonstrated rating for two years in a row.
- Improves program performance and efficiency each year.

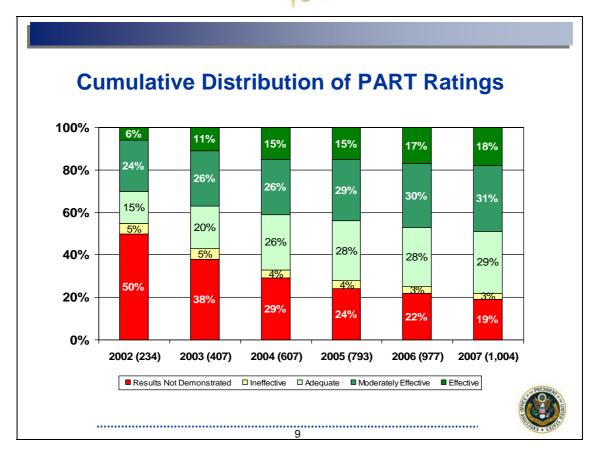


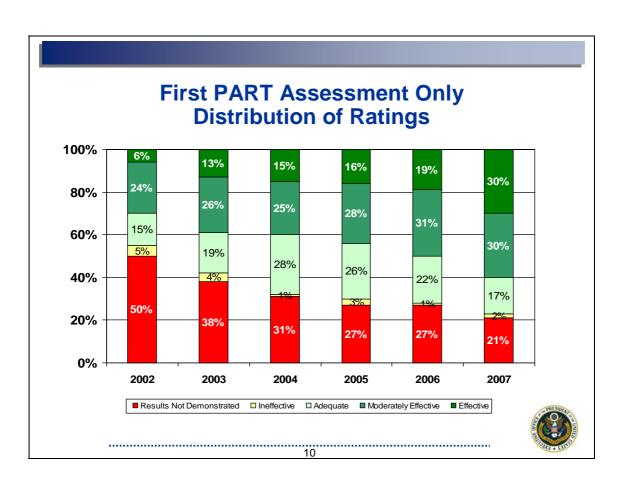
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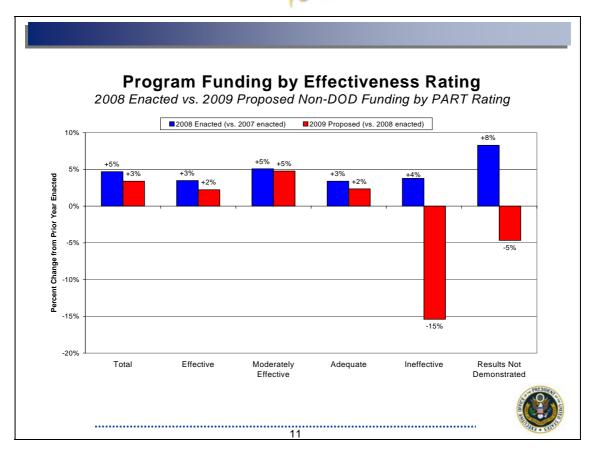
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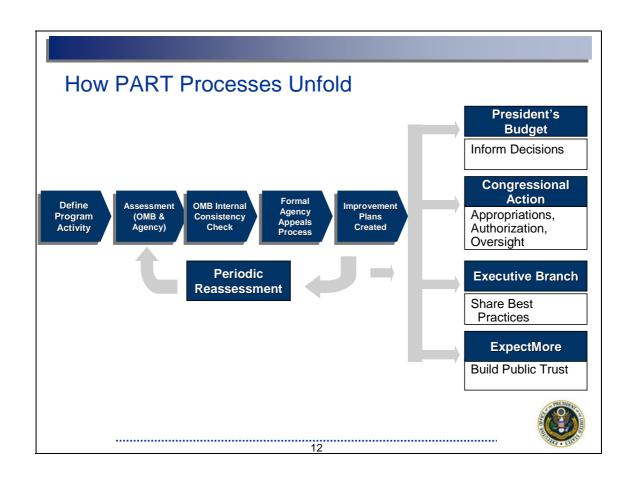












Executive Order 13450 – Improving Government Program Performance (November 2007)

"It is the policy of the Federal Government to spend taxpayer dollars effectively, and more effectively each year. Agencies shall apply taxpayer resources efficiently in a manner that maximizes the effectiveness of Government programs serving the American people."



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Executive Order 13450 – Improving Government Program Performance (November 2007)

- Duties of Heads of Agencies: each program administered has
 - Clear, annual and long-term goals defined by objectively measurable outcomes.
 - Specific plans for achieving its goals.
 - Means to measure progress toward achievement of goals and efficiency in the use of resources in making that progress.
 - Mechanisms for ensuring continuous accountability of agency personnel to the head of the agency for achievement of the goals and efficiency in use of resources in achievement of the goals.



Executive Order 13450 – Improving Government Program Performance (November 2007)

- Establishes Agency Performance Improvement Officers subject to the direction of the head of the agency
 - Supervises the performance management activities of the agency development of the performance goals, specific plans, strategic plans, performance plans, and annual performance reports as required by law.
 - Advises the head of the agency
 - Whether goals for approval by the head of the agency are sufficiently aggressive toward full achievement of the program purposes, and realistic in light of the authority and resources assigned to the specified agency personnel.
 - Means for measurement of progress toward achievement of the goals are sufficiently rigorous and accurate.

Executive Order 13450 – Improving Government Program Performance (November 2007)

- Establishes the Performance Improvement Council consisting of the agency PIOs with the OMB Deputy **Director for Management as Chair**
 - Makes recommendations concerning
 - Performance management policies and requirements
 - Criteria for evaluation of program performance
 - Facilitates information exchange among agencies
 - Coordinates and monitors a continuous review of all Federal programs that assess the clarity of purpose, quality of strategic and performance planning and goals, management excellence, and results achieved for each agency's programs
 - Facilitates keeping the public informed using an Internet website to provide the public with information on agency performance





Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal System Certification

- 2003 Congressional Reform in the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2004 authorizing a new performance-base pay system for Senior Executive Service employees
 - Senior executives no longer receive annual across-the-board or locality pay adjustments.
 - Base pay adjustments for senior executives are now based on individual performance and contributions to agency performance through their unique skills, qualifications, competencies, and responsibilities.
 - Senior executive pay caps are higher for employees of agencies whose senior executive performance appraisal system is certified by the Office of Personnel Management with OMB concurrence.



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Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal System Certification Criteria

- Criteria related to the setting of individual senior executive performance expectations.
- The appraisal system promotes alignment between individual performance expectations and furtherance of the agency mission.



Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal System Certification Criteria

- Sets individual senior executive performance expectations
 - Driven by agency goals: Reflect expected agency, organizational outcomes and outputs, performance targets, program objectives, milestones.
 - Partners commit to achieve goals: Identify specific programmatic crosscutting, external, and partnership-oriented goals or objectives, as applicable.
 - Be stated in terms of observable, measurable, and/or demonstrable performance.



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Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal System Certification Criteria

- Each agency appraisal system
 - Provides for appropriate assessment of the agency's performance and communicates it to senior executives.
 - Overall agency performance is taken into account, as appropriate, in assessing individual performance.
 - Rating and pay differentiation: Makes meaningful distinctions in performance ratings, pay adjustment, rates of pays, and awards.
 - Completes Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal Assessment Tool.



Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal System Certification – 2007 Results

44% of agency systems "fully certified"

- An agency that is fully certified can pay their Senior Executive Service employees a higher base and aggregate salary.
- Agencies that are fully certified are able to demonstrate two consecutive years of data meeting all of the certification requirements and are certified for two years.

■ 56% of agency systems "provisionally certified"

- An agency that is provisionally certified can also pay their Senior Executive Service employees a higher base and aggregate salary.
- However, provisionally-certified agencies will need to submit an application to be certified this year.



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Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal Systems with Provisional Certification

Chemical Safety Board
Department of Agriculture
Department of Energy
Department of Health & Human Services
Department of Homeland Security
Department of Housing & Urban
Development OIG
Department of the Interior
Department of Justice
Department of State
Department of Veterans Affairs
Equal Opportunity Commission
Federal Trade Commission

General Services Administration

Merit System Protection Board

National Endowment for the Arts
National Labor Relations Board
National Science Foundation
National Transportation Safety Board
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Management and Budget
Office of National Drug Control Policy
Office of Personnel Management
Department of Veterans Affairs
Pension Benefit Guarantee Corp.
Small Business Administration
Surface Transportation Board
U.S. Trade Representatives
U.S. Agency for International
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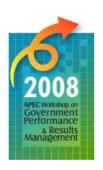
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Agenda Item:003

Planning & Setting Objectives in Managing for Performance

Purpose: Information

Submitted by: Dr. John Halligan



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Author's Biography

Dr. John Halligan is the Research Professor of Government and Public Administration, School of Business and Government, University of Canberra, Australia.

His research interests are comparative public management and governance, specifically performance management, corporate governance, public sector reform, government institutions (e.g. parliaments), and political-bureaucratic relationships.

Professor Halligan has held academic appointments at the University of Melbourne and the Australian National University, and visiting positions at various institutions including Georgetown University (Washington DC), the Australian National University, the Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium) and the Victoria University of Wellington (New Zealand).

Professional activities include Deputy President, Institute of Public Administration Australia (ACT Division) of which he is a National Fellow. His consultancies include projects with international organizations: OECD, Commonwealth Secretariat, United Nations Development Program and World Bank; and with Australian government departments and state and local governments.

Recent books with colleagues are Managing Performance: International Comparisons, Routledge, London, 2007; Parliament in the 21st Century, Melbourne University Press, 2007; Civil Service Systems in Anglo-American Countries, Edward Elgar, 2003; and Reforming Public and Corporate Governance: Management and the Market in Australia, Britain and Korea, Edward Elgar, 2002. Overall, he has published 16 books and 130 chapters and articles.

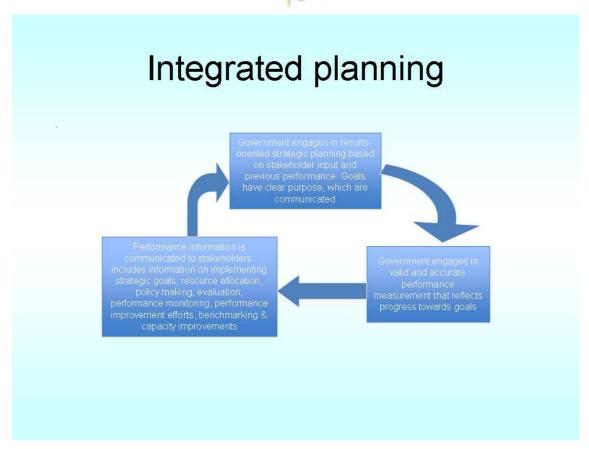
Professor Halligan is currently completing a book on the Australian Centrelink Experiment with Reinventing Service Delivery (for the Australian National University Press), drafting studies on Corporate Governance in the Public Sector and Performance Management, and working on a comparative analysis of the long-term results of public sector reform in four Anglophone countries (Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom).

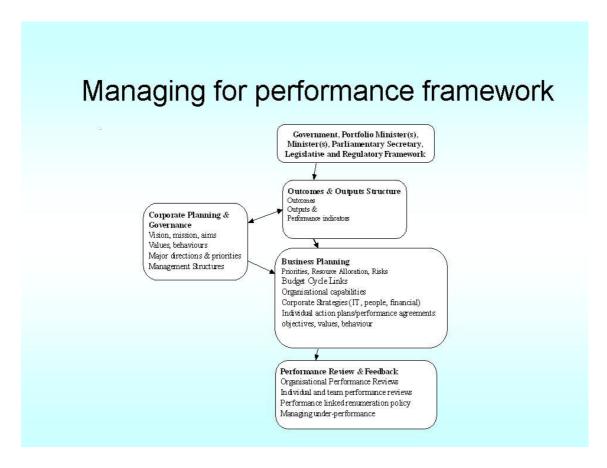


Planning & Setting Objectives in Managing for Performance

Purpose

- Good practice in planning & objective setting of government agencies
- Understanding managing for performance through comparing official models & practice

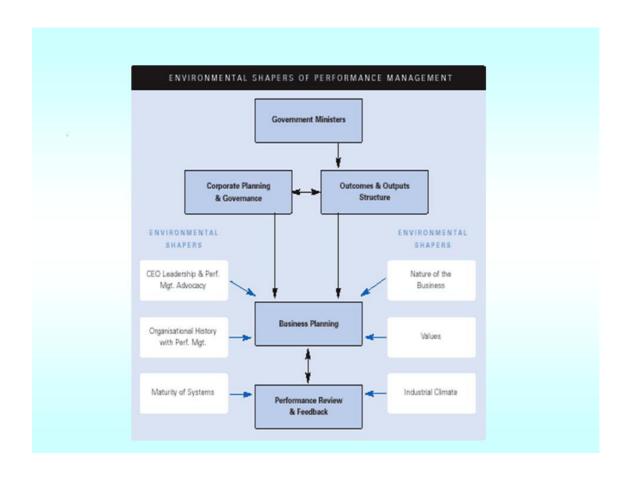


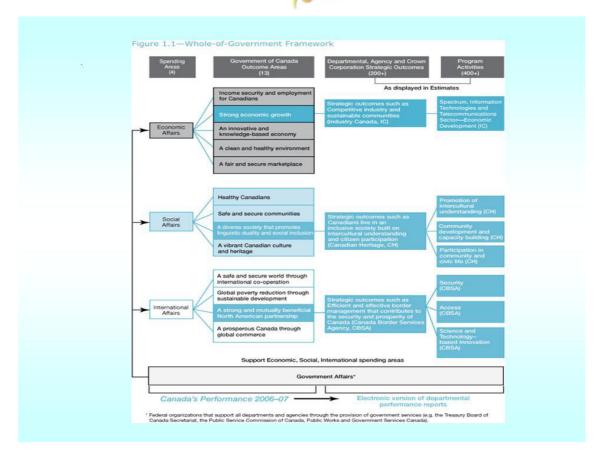




Agency planning

- Strategic framework & corporate planning
- · Vision, mission, major directions & priorities
- · Goals & strategies for implementation
- Management structures & capabilities





Focus on specific results or outcomes

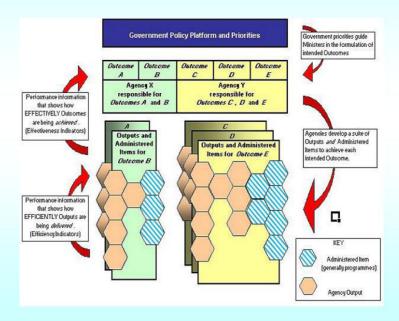
- Planned outcomes are the results or community & environmental effects & impacts intended by government
- · Functions of outcomes
 - Define expected impacts from agency activity (outputs)
 - Delineate parameters for agency outputs
 - Specify the purpose of budget appropriations
 - Provide the legislature & other external stakeholders with a statement of goals



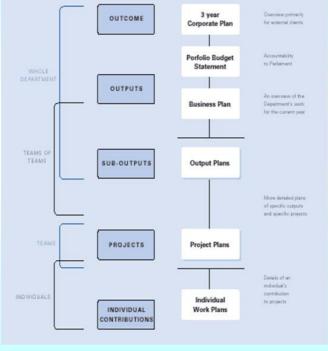
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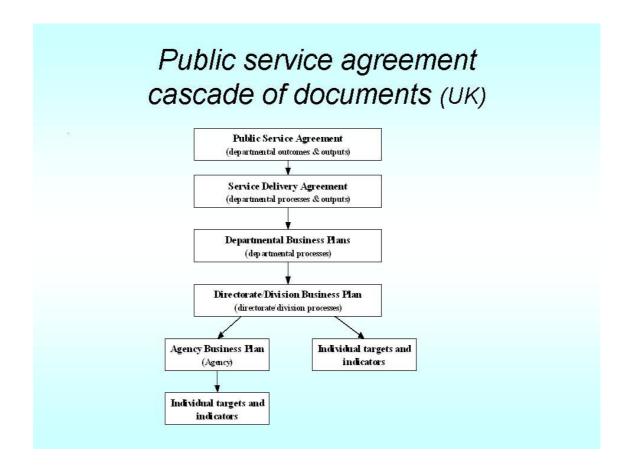
- · Goods and service produced by an agency
- Chosen because of intended contribution to specified outcomes
- Controlled and delivered through an agency or by contracts with third parties

Outcomes & outputs framework in an agency context (Aust)



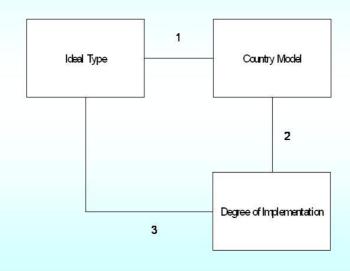
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Comparing official models & practice Framework for *Managing Performance*



Management performance: ideal types & countries

2.■2	Performance Administration	Managements of Performances	Performance Management	Performance Governance
Measurement	Administrative data registration, objective, mostly input & process	Specialised performance measurement systems	Hierarchical performance measurement systems	Consolidated performance measurement system
Incorporation	Some	Within different systems for specific management functions	Systemically internal integration	Systemically internal and external integration
Using	Limited: reporting, internal, single loop	Disconnected	Coherent, comprehensive, consistent	Societal use
Country model	France, Germany	Netherlands, Sweden	Australia, UK, Canada, USA (New Zealand)	NA



Country variations & questions

- How well framework is working
- Level & quality of implementation
- Top-down & collaborative complexities in multi level governance
- Challenges of operating under divided government structure

Challenges

- Quality of performance information
- Specification of outcomes & outputs
- Disconnects
 - Outcomes & outputs
 - Internal management & performance information
- Extent of alignment and integration
- · Agency variation



What makes for high performing systems

- Comprehensiveness
- Vertical integration
- Balancing top-down & bottom-up approaches
- Guidance for agency efforts
- Information processed through a central agency
- Political oversight and commitment

Management for performance - a turning point

- New interpretations and analysis
- · Making it work better in practice
 - Modifying unrealistic expectations
 - Narrowing gap between official framework & practice
 - Responses implementation and reviews in Australia,
 Canada, New Zealand & United Kingdom





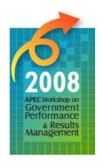


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Economy Experience Sharing 3- Canada Program and Management Performance: an Integrated Canadian Approach

Purpose: Information Submitted by: Dr. Ivan Blake



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He joined the Public Service of Canada in 1992 on Executive Interchange and spent ten years with Environment Canada (five as its Director General of Corporate Management and Review) before joining the Treasury Board Secretariat as head of Comptrollership Modernization.

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Program and Management Performance: an Integrated **Canadian Approach**

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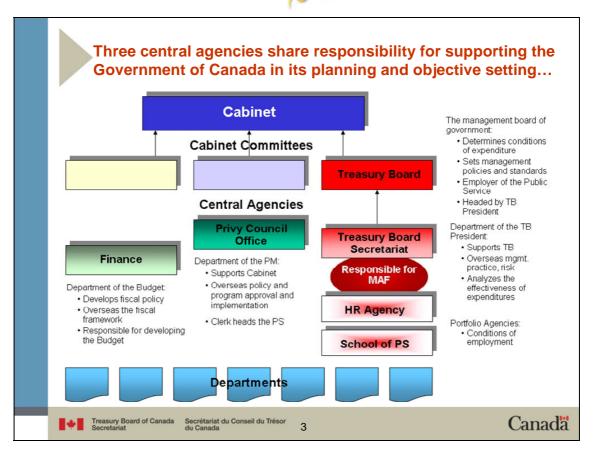
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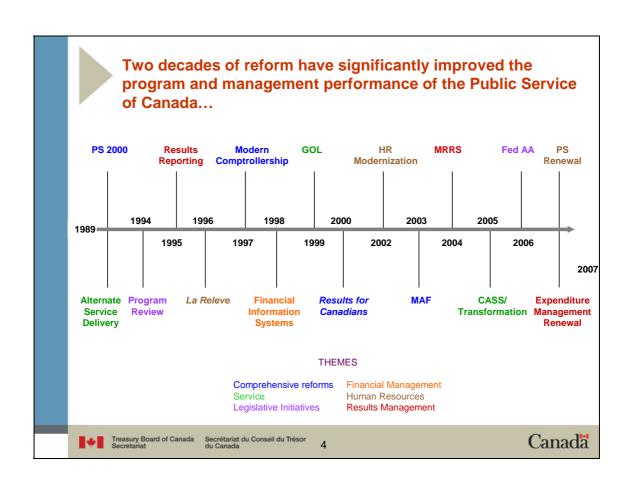
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Will suggest that government performance requires balanced attention to both program results and management capacity

- The agenda of the Government of Canada is increasingly characterized by a focus on accountability and results within a coherent and integrated framework of management expectations.
- This presentation will focus on two initiatives to strengthen planning and objective setting and the efficient and effective delivery of results across the Public Service of Canada.
 - Renewal of the Expenditure Management System is aimed at ensuring government programs generate better results and greater value for money.
 - The Management Accountability Framework sets out clear management expectations for senior executives and is used to assess capacity and management performance government-wide.

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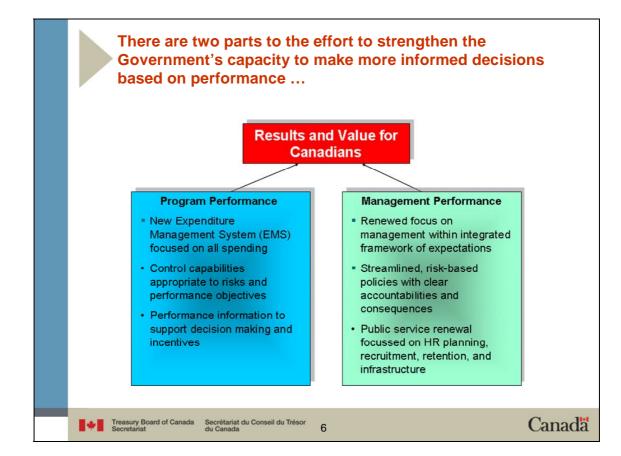




However weaknesses persisted in the planning and performance of government ...

- Expenditure management system focused on new spending
- Inadequate performance measures and performance incentives
- General dissatisfaction with Parliamentary reporting
- Insufficient attention to management across the public service
- Inconsistent control capabilities across government
- "Web of rules" and risk-averse culture
- Stove-piped planning functions
- Inadequate enterprise risk management
- Ad hoc and short-term Human Resource activities in spite of looming demographic challenges

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FIRST - make government-wide expenditure planning and decision-making more disciplined and performance-based ...

- Expenditure Management System is joint responsibility of Finance, Privy Council Office and Treasury Board Secretariat.
- Massive spending reductions in mid-90s have yielded a decade of surpluses.
- However, direct program spending has been rising steadily, and assessing effectiveness of ongoing program spending has been a challenge.
- In 2006, the Government announced renewal of Expenditure Management System based on 3 principles:
 - Programs should focus on results and value for money,
 - Programs must be consistent with federal responsibilities,
 - Programs that no longer serve purposes for which they were created should be eliminated.



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Renewed Expenditure Management System has the following key features ...

- Cabinet to examine all <u>new</u> spending proposals taking into account the funding and performance of existing programs.
- Departments expected to manage programs against planned results and formally evaluate programs.
- Treasury Board to lead a review of departments' program spending over a 4 year cycle to assess whether they are achieving intended results, are managed efficiently and are aligned with the government's priorities.
- Reviews to identify 5% of spending that can be freed for reallocation to higher priorities either internally or across the Public Service.

Reform has been made possible in part by one key policy, the Management, Resources and Results Structure Policy or MRRS



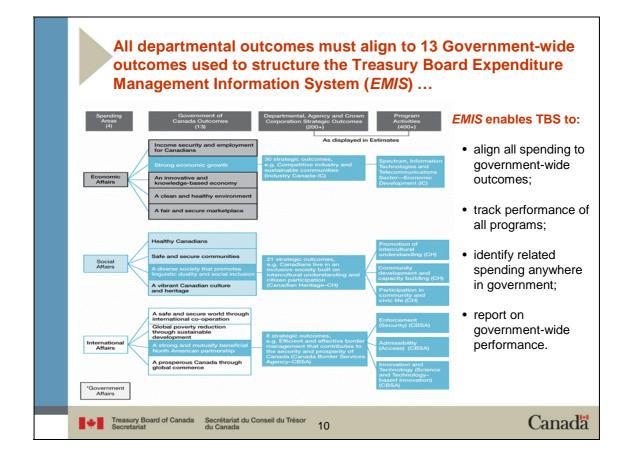
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Management, Resources and Results Structure Policy requires that all departments and agencies ...

- Have a stable, Treasury Boardapproved framework of strategic outcomes (Program Activity Architecture) encompassing all activities, sub-activities,
- To which all their spending is aligned,
- To which their governance structures are also aligned,
- Fisheries and Department Oceans Canada Safe and Sustainable Healthy and Accessible Fisheries and Productive Aquatic Waterways Aguaculture Ecosystems Canadian Coast Guard Oceans Management \$607 M \$397M \$33M Activities Aquaculture Small Craft Harbours Habitat Management \$84M Science (Safe and Science (Sustainable Science (Healthy and Productive Aquatic Ecosystems) \$65M Waterways) \$44M Aquaculture) \$199M
- And for which they have a robust performance measuring and monitoring system.
- All Parliamentary reporting and all submissions to Cabinet must be based on a department's approved Program Activity Architecture

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Budget 2008 reflects the first results of the new system ...

"New EMS will ensure resources are aligned to priorities and will help control the overall growth of spending."

Budget 2008

- Strategic reviews of program effectiveness and opportunities for savings or reallocation in 17 departments and agencies began this Fall.
- Reviews identified \$199.3 million in savings in 2008-09 based on inadequate performance or diminished priority, ramping up to \$386.2 million in 2010-11.
- This represents about 3% of the amount reviewed in 2007.
- Departmental program evaluation units also being strengthened to improve the quality of program performance information.
- "This is simply good management and is now the norm for how Government does business."

Budget 2008



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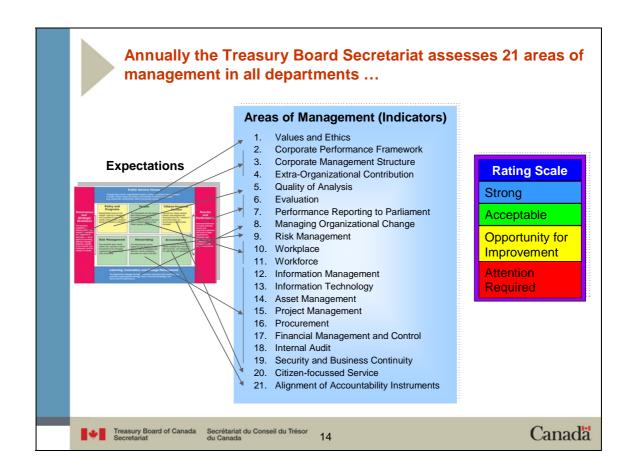
SECOND - strengthen government-wide management capacity and performance ...

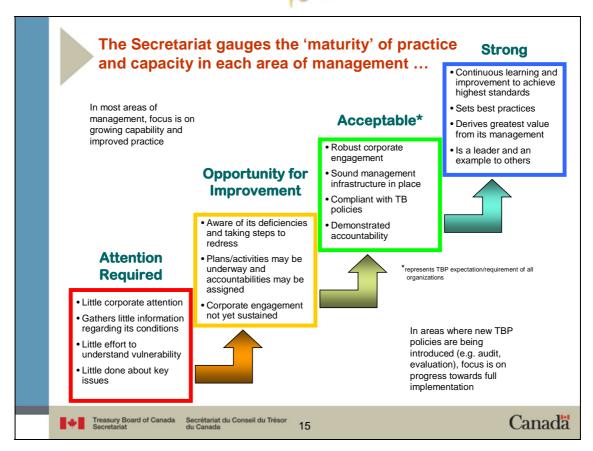
- Passage of Federal Accountability Act in December 2006 put even greater emphasis on accountability and transparency in government operations.
- In its management office role, Treasury Board Secretariat is promoting management excellence in several ways, by for example:
 - · streamlining its policies and clarifying their consequences,
 - · looking for ways to reduce the reporting burden it imposes and to riskmanage its transactions with departments.
- In turn the Treasury Board Secretariat expects the Deputy Minister (organization's most senior public servant) in each department to lead in creating conditions conducive to sustained management excellence.
- To clarify its expectations and summarize the conditions required for management excellence, Treasury Board Secretariat developed the Management Accountability Framework or MAF.



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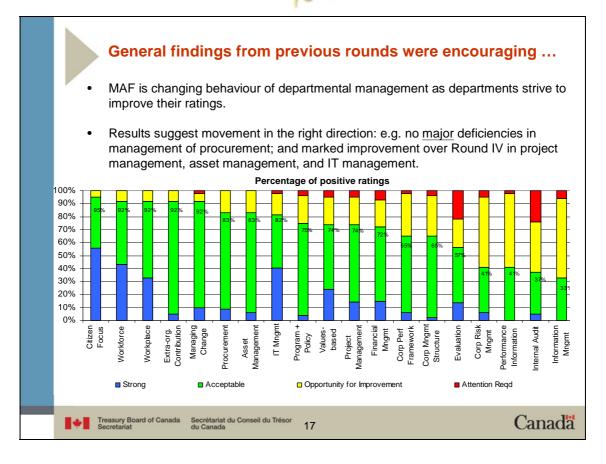




MAF has evolved into the Treasury Board Secretariat's key instrument for management oversight ...

- Began as "framework for a conversation" between the Treasury Board Secretary and his Deputy Minister colleagues.
- MAF assessments are now an established part of the annual departmental and government-wide planning and accountability cycle.
- The assessment process is iterative and automated, and information is managed in a comprehensive Treasury Board database.
- Assessments prepared by the Treasury Board Secretariat represent its 'opinion,' and findings are made public along with departmental responses.
- Assessments have a direct impact on Deputy Minister performance commitments and performance pay.
- Assessments are being used as input to resource allocation decisions and to riskmanage departmental business with Treasury Board.
- And MAF is becoming the template for Deputy Minister appearances before Parliamentary committees.

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Findings also highlight continuing management challenges ...

Challenges vary by type of department, for example:

- Security departments have inadequate performance systems, and face workforce, financial and project management issues.
- Policy departments have ratings below Public Service norms in horizontal management and quality of analysis.

And certain enterprise-wide weaknesses are also apparent:

- Need for more integrated approaches to internal control linked to enterprise risk management.
- Continuing need to improve performance information systems and their linkages with financial systems.
- Need to strengthen the 'corporate core' in most departments, i.e. capacity to support
 the corporate executive with timely performance information, scanning, risk
 identification, financial analysis, assurance of control, etc.

Just as MRRS disciplines results planning, so MAF structures departmental and government-wide planning for management excellence.

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In conclusion ...

- Almost as important as what governments achieve is how they do so.
- Strengthening government performance means planning and setting objectives for both programs and management.
- The Government of Canada employs its Expenditure Management System and MRRS policy to define and monitor the results that it seeks to achieve.
- And it uses its Management Accountability Framework to strengthen and sustain the capacity of its Public Service to actually deliver those results.

Public service gets guidance on the broad social & economic agenda.

Public service uses resources to generate outputs linked with results identified in the government's agenda.

Outputs contribute to results that improve the lives of Canadians.

Management Performance

Program Performance

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Economy Experience Sharing 4- Australia Public Sector Performance Monitoring, Governance and Australia's Productivity Commission

Purpose: Information

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For six years prior to that he was Director of the Economic, Social and Environmental Group of the Victorian Department of Treasury and Finance where he had responsibility for macroeconomic and tax forecasting, fiscal strategy and analysis of a range of policy issues.

Previous career highlights include stockbroking research (resource equities and commodity markets), ABARE (commodity market analysis, international agricultural trade, macroeconomics and resource economics), the Australian National University (teaching and studying) and Commonwealth Treasury (monetary policy).

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Public Sector Performance Monitoring, Governance and Australia's Productivity Commission

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Overview

- Australia's reform program
- The Productivity Commission
- Performance monitoring
 - □ government service delivery
 - □ government trading enterprises (GTEs)
 - □ some governance issues

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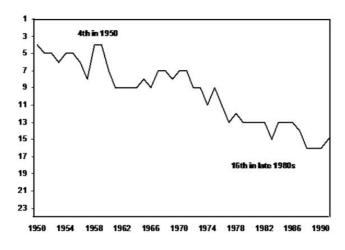
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Fall of Australia's economic ranking

GDP per capita, world ranking



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Scope of reform

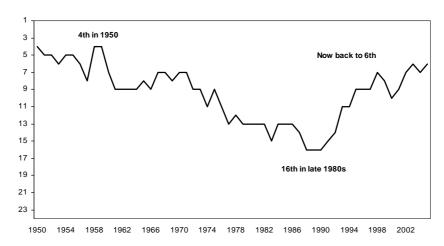
- Trade liberalisation
- Macroeconomic policy
- Taxation reform
- Capital markets
- Infrastructure
- Government services
- National Competition Policy reforms
- Labour markets

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Rise of Australia's economic ranking

GDP per capita, world ranking



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2. The Productivity Commission

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Some 'systemic' obstacles to reform

- Costs are concentrated, benefits widely spread
- Potential winners are poorly informed
- Bureaucratic structures are aligned with sectional interests
- Costs of reform are immediate, benefits take time
- Multiple jurisdictions complicate progress

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About us

Productivity Commission

- □ Australian Government's principal advisory body on microeconomic policy and regulation
- □ *located within the Treasury portfolio*

Role

to inform the policy debate and provide a basis for better policy decisions

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Three key 'design features'

Independent

- own legislation
- □ Commissioners are statutory appointees
- □ 'arm's length' from Government

Transparent

- open and public processes
- analysis and advice exposed to public scrutiny
- published outputs

Community-wide perspective

□ proposals are intended to achieve higher living standards for the community as a whole

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How the Commission has assisted reform in Australia

- Impartial advice in the 'national interest'
 - □ 'honest broker' on reform issues
 - □ *ammunition for government in selling reform*
- Findings publicly scrutinized
 - robust
 - opportunity to test stakeholder reactions
- Greater community awareness of the costs of existing policies and benefits from reform

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Our activities Outcomes Better informed policy decisions > Enhanced public awareness **Outputs Activities** Performance Regulation Competitive Government Supporting review neutrality research Commissioned reporting complaints PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION



3. Performance monitoring

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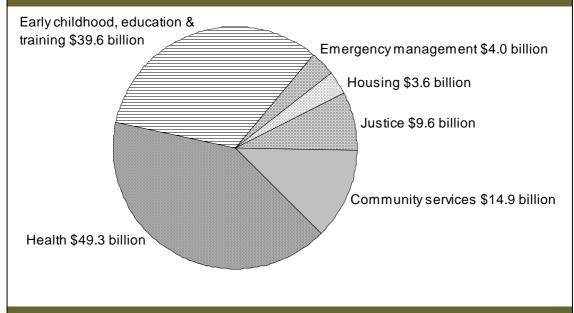
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Performance reporting

- Report on Government Services
- Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage
- Financial Performance of GTEs

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Government services expenditure 2006-07



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Measuring performance has social and economic benefits

- Many services lack well developed markets
 - □ Measuring performance can drive improvement
- Social services are vital to community wellbeing
 - □ Particularly for 'special needs' groups

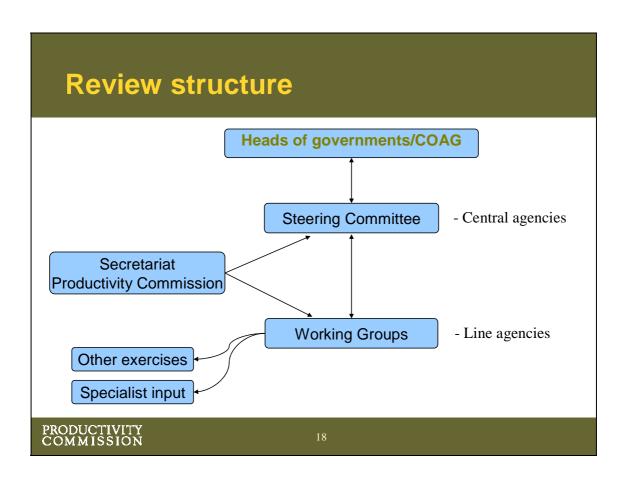
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What performance measurement can do

- Clarify service objectives & government responsibilities
- Provide indicators of performance
 - Over time and across services and jurisdictions
- Make performance more transparent
- Inform service users and the community
- Encourage ongoing performance improvement

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Report scope

Early childhood, education & training

- Children's services
- School education
- Vocational education and training

Justice

- Police
- Court administration
- Corrective services

Emergency management

Health

- Public hospitals
- Primary & community health
- Health management

Community Services

- Aged care
- Disability services
- Protection and support services

Housing

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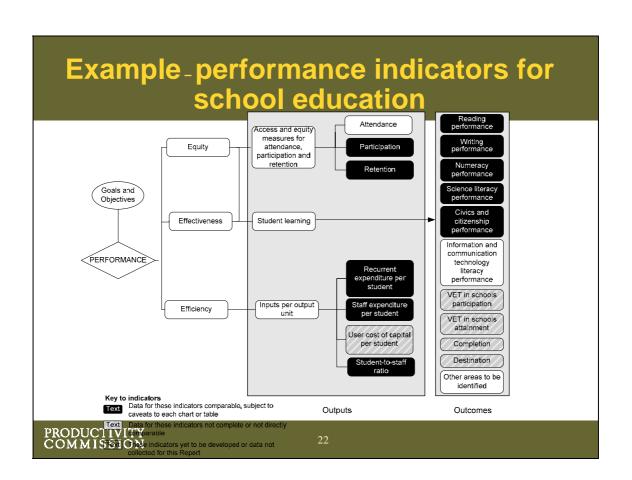
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Performance measurement : guiding principles

- A focus on outcomes
- Comprehensiveness
- Comparability
- Progressive data availability
- Timeliness
- Iterative improvement

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GTE performance reporting: origins

- 1991 inter-governmental initiative
- Concern with the slow rate of government business reform
- Subsequent reforms included
 - commercialisation, then corporatisation or privatisation
 - □ full cost recovery and other capital market disciplines
 - □ competitive neutrality and exposure to competition where possible

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GTE performance reporting: objectives

- Establish a nationally consistent system of performance monitoring
 - □ *To promote benchmark competition*
 - □ To set national or international best practice benchmarks
- Increase transparency and accountability for performance

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GTE performance reporting: coverage

- Performance reported by business, by industry and for all GTEs
- Industries covered are electricity, forestry, port authorities, railways, water, urban transport
- 85 businesses reported (for 2005-06)
 - □ assets valued at \$197 billion (3.3 per cent of non-household assets)

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GTE performance reporting: indicators

- Report indicators of financial performance
 - profitability
 - □ financial management
 - payments to and from government
- Five years generally reported each year
 - □ 2 years reported for 2005-06 after change to international reporting standards
- Financial statement data used

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2005-06 financial results

- Profitability generally low
 - □ more than 50 per cent of GTEs not earning commercial rate of return
- Profits improved at the sector level, but vary by GTE
 - □ 37 per cent of GTEs reported declining profits
 - □ 11 GTEs (6 in the water sector) reported a loss
- Debt to equity ratios increased in all sectors except urban transport
- Payments to government increased
 - □ dividend payments \$5.6 billion
 - □ tax-equivalent payments \$3.3 billion

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Research

- Economic rates of return, asset valuation and community service obligations
- External governance
 - □ relationship and interactions between minister and independent boards
- Capital structures and equity withdrawals

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What is external governance?

- External governance
 - □ the authority and systems utilised by ministers and government agencies for the control and supervision of public organisations (OECD 2002)
- Internal governance
 - □ the systems of direction and control within an organisation
 - covers matters that are the responsibility of the governing body, usually a board, and senior management of an organisation

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The way forward: What is required?

- Priorities are:
 - □ clearly delineating responsibilities for external and internal governance
 - □ exposing external governance to greater scrutiny
 - providing for the appointment of independent directors
 - □ rigorous reporting of outcomes

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The way forward: Integrity of the GTE model is important

- Maintaining commercial focus is critical to efficiency
 - □ hence, fully funding CSOs by government
- Strictly maintaining capital market disciplines
 - □ fully recovering costs including the opportunity cost of capital
 - making dividend, debt guarantee payments and taxequivalent payments

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The way forward: Government commitment is required

- If governments are not prepared to reform, the efficacy of the GTE model is compromised
- Other models, such as privatisation, could be more effective and efficient
 - public interest and core non-financial objectives
 must be clarified to make a sound assessment

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Economy Experience Sharing 5- Singapore Performance Management in Singapore's Public Sector

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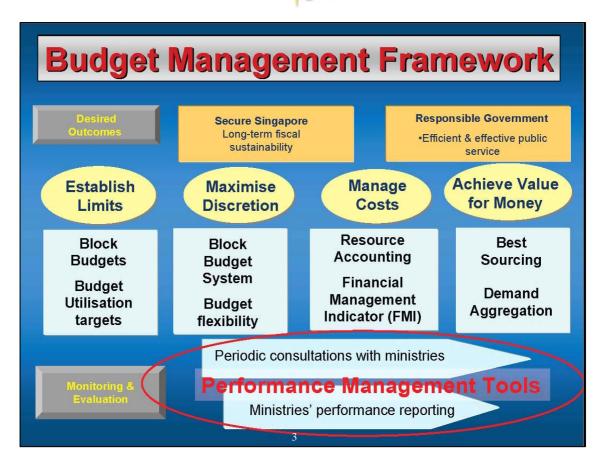
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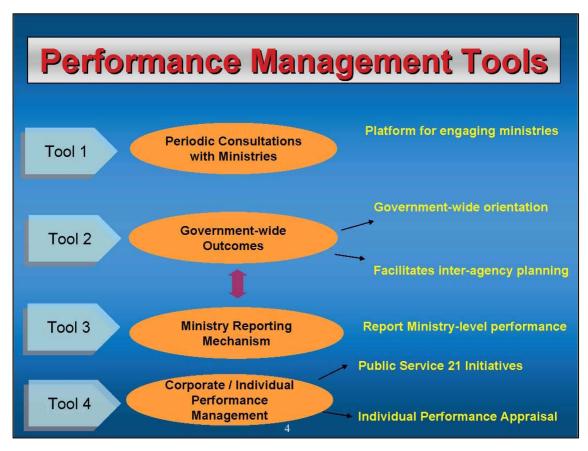
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Ministry Reporting

What is it?

- Performance Reporting by Ministries
- Quantitative and qualitative management tool

Quantitative

Budget Utilisation Trends

Revenue & Expenditure Trends

Trend in Key
Performance Indicators

Qualitative

Engage Ministries in strategic conversations on how well they are achieving their desired outcomes

Adjustments to key performance indicators to better capture performance

Guiding Principles for KPI-setting

Principle 1

Review Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) annually to ensure relevance

Example

Singapore already has one of the world's lowest infant and maternal mortality rates. Although we monitor these indicators internally to ensure that our standing does not deteriorate, these are not useful indicators to drive further improvements in our healthcare system.

Principle 2

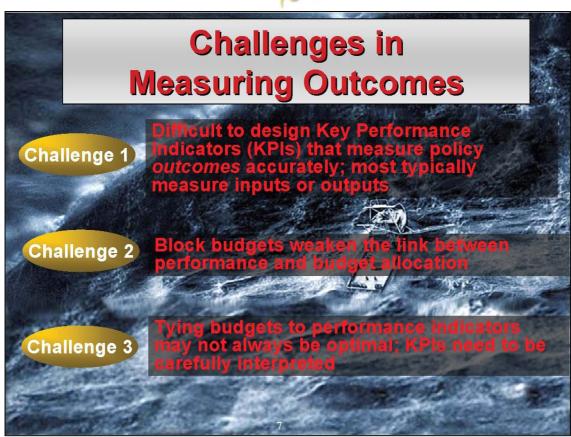
Keep KPIs to a critical few to preserve clarity and focus

Principle 3

Set longer-term targets so as to prompt ministries to think ahead and be in time for the future

Principle 4

Analyse KPI performances over a period of 3 to 5 yrs to determine broader trends e.g. trends in unemployment











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Demonstration on the Use of ICT in Public Sector Governance (Chinese Taipei GPMnet Report)

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Session 4: Demonstration on the Use of ICT in Public Sector Governance

Innovative Approach for Performance Management: Government Plan/Program Management Network (GPMnet) in Chinese Taipei

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Outline

- 1. The Establishment of GPMnet
- 2. GPMnet for Ministry Overall Strategic Plan Management
- 3. GPMnet for Ministry Program Management
- 4. GPMnet for Decision Support
- 5. Experience Sharing



1.1 Performance Management Scheme

□Organization Level

□Program Level

➤ Ministry 4-Year Overall

Strategic Plan

➤ Ministry Annual Overall Strategic Plan

➤Ministry Annual

Report

► Individual Medium and **Long- Term Program**

▶Preliminary Review of **Annual Program**

>Annual Program **Implementation**

Performance Evaluation & > Implementation Monitoring

>Annual Program

Performance Evaluation

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1.2 Problems Encountered Before Year 2005

- Many Cabinet overseeing organizations
- **Scattered Information**
- **Highly time-consuming process**
- Limited involvement of organization leaders
- Less performance information disclosure



1.3 Solutions

□ Using ICT (via Government Service Network) to build up a single portal for plan/program management network
□ Integrating scattered information systems into a new knowledge management system for decision-making and plan/program monitoring
□ All overseeing organizations and ministries use the same network and share information online

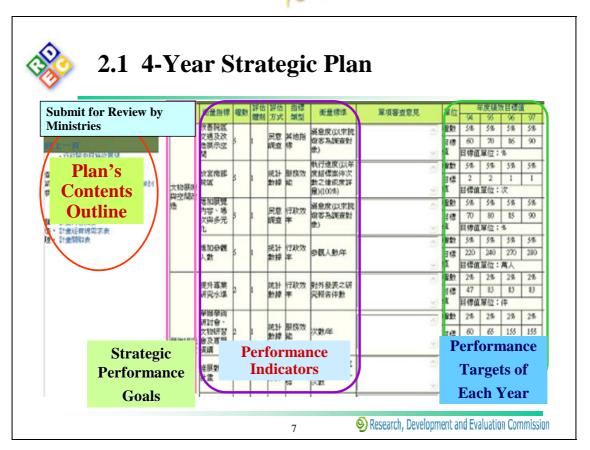
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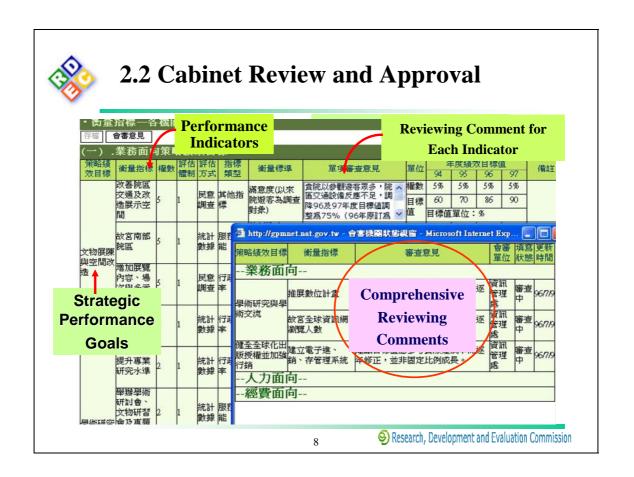


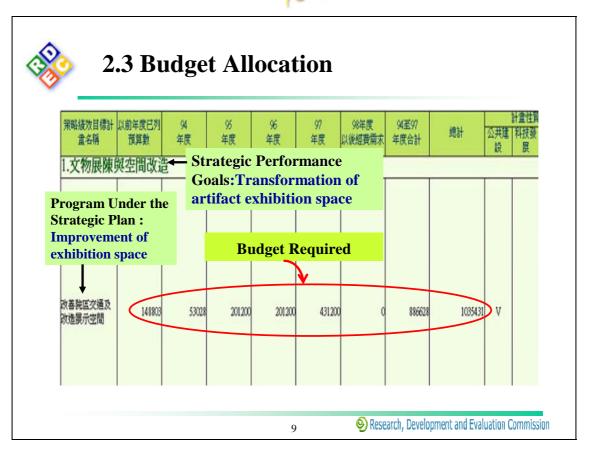
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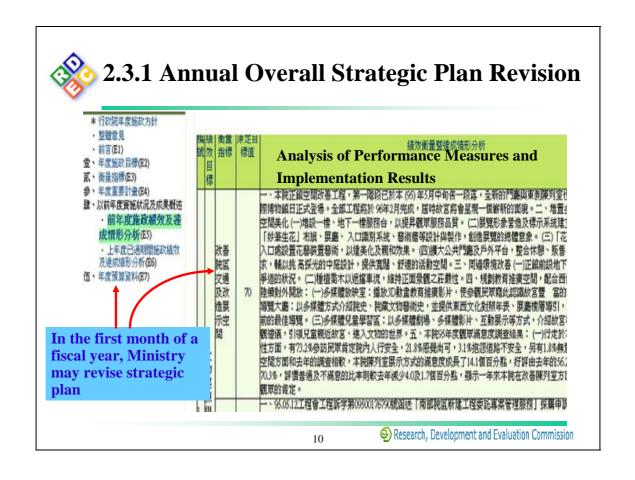
- ☐ Setting/reviewing strategic plan (strategic goals, performance indictors, evaluation measures, performance targets)
 - **□**Allocating total budget required
 - □ Conducting the preliminary and final evaluations

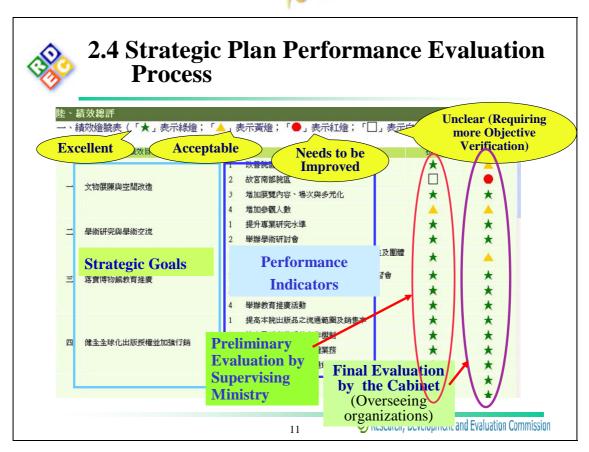
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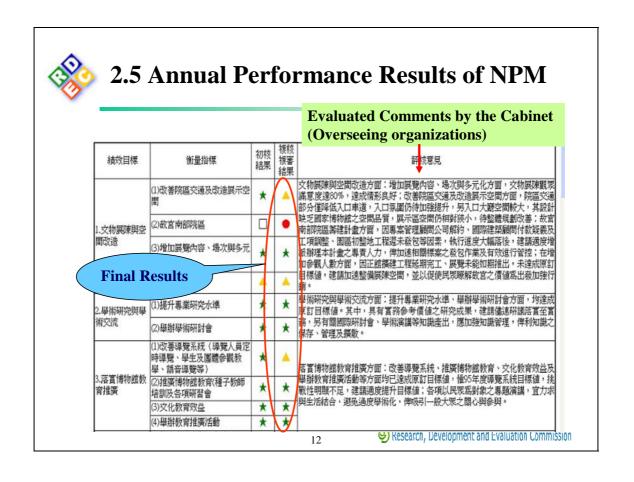




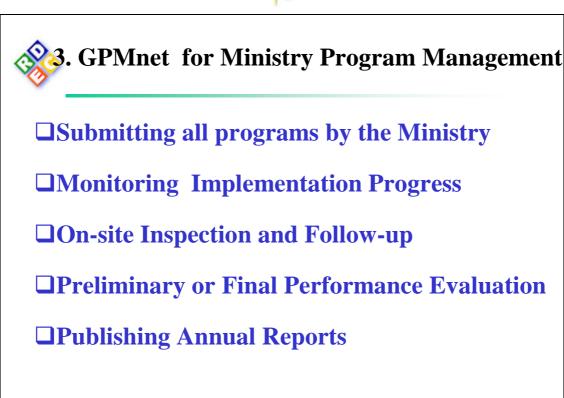


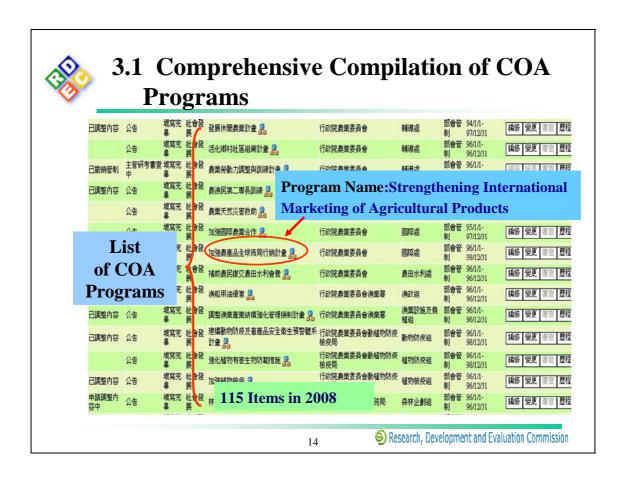


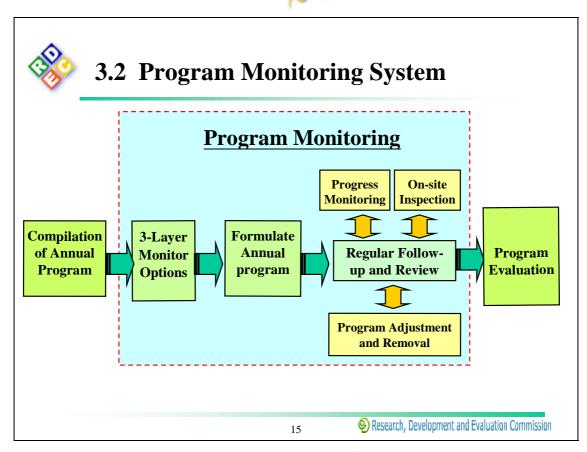


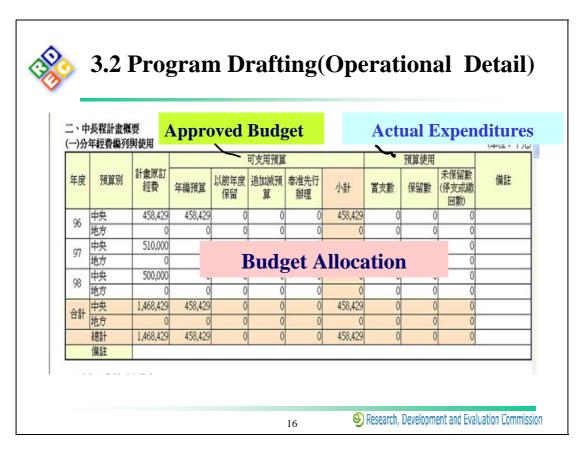


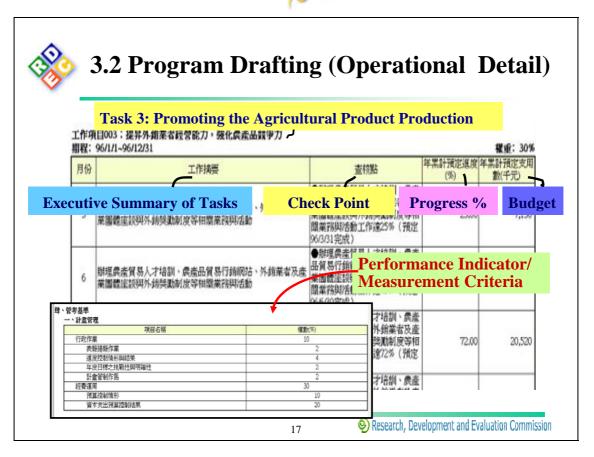


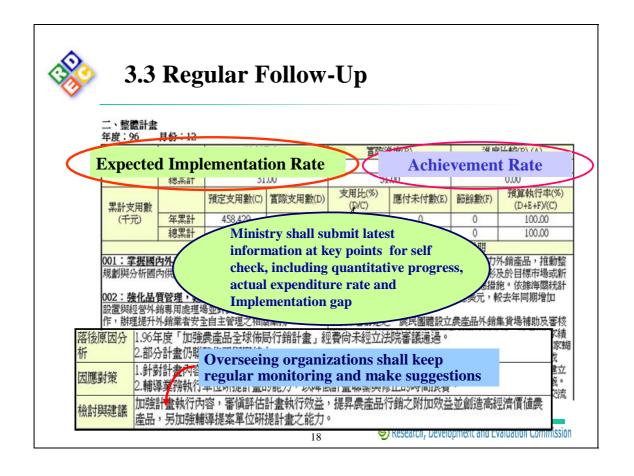








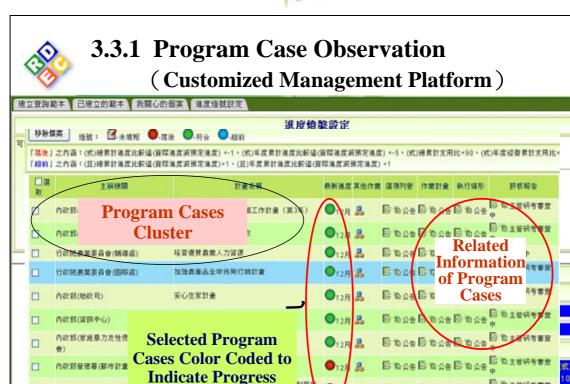






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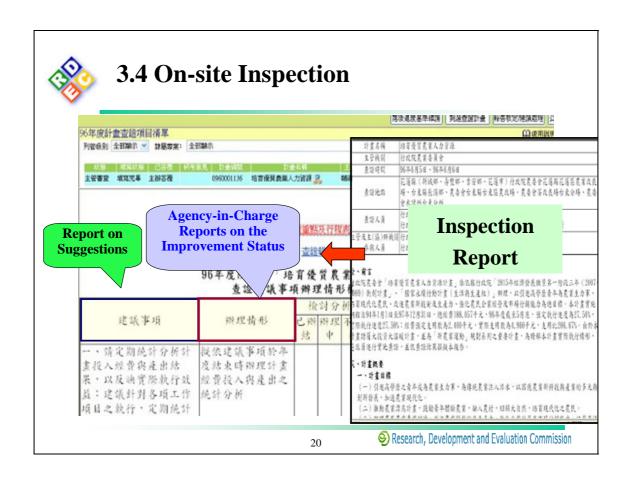
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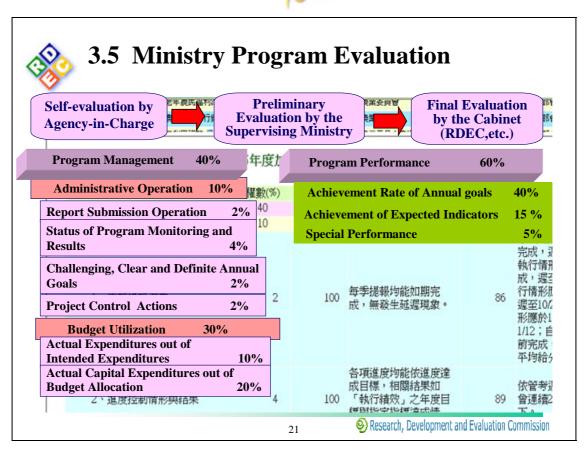


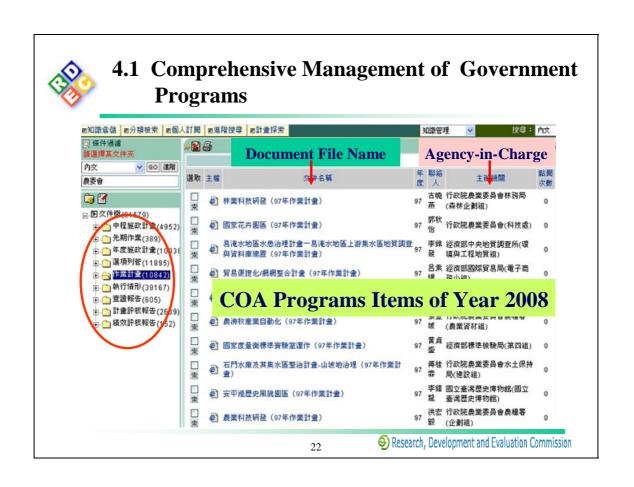
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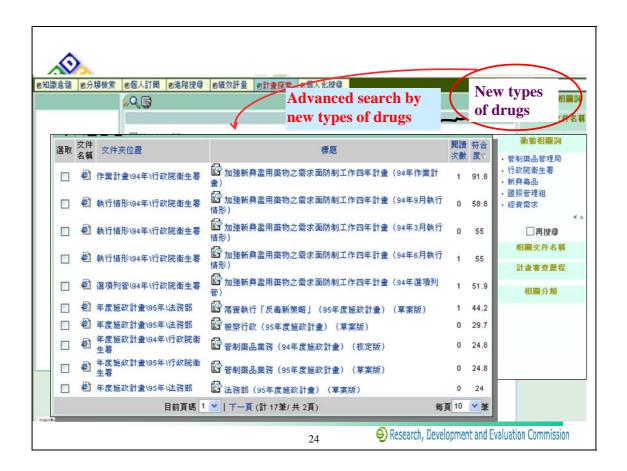
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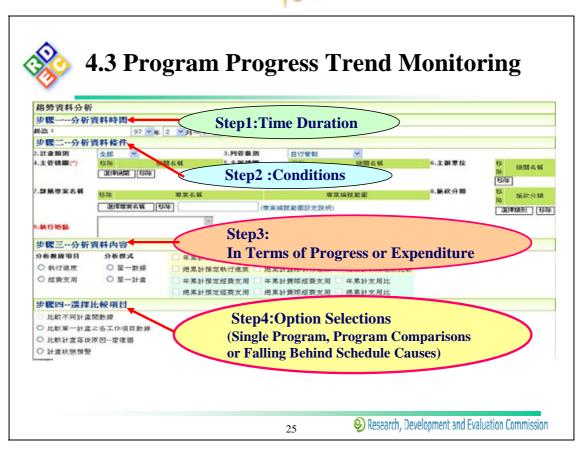


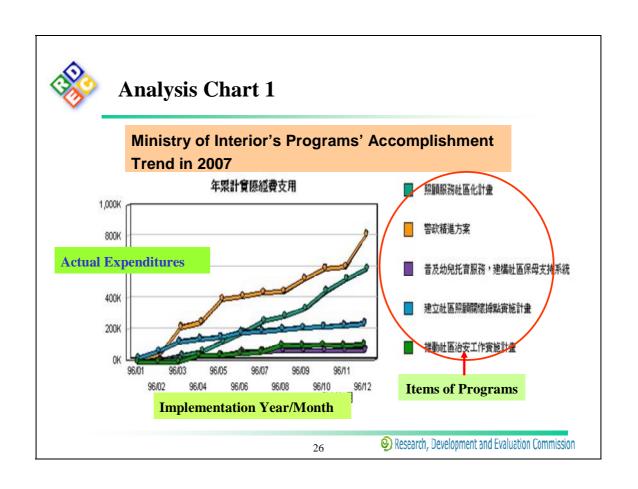




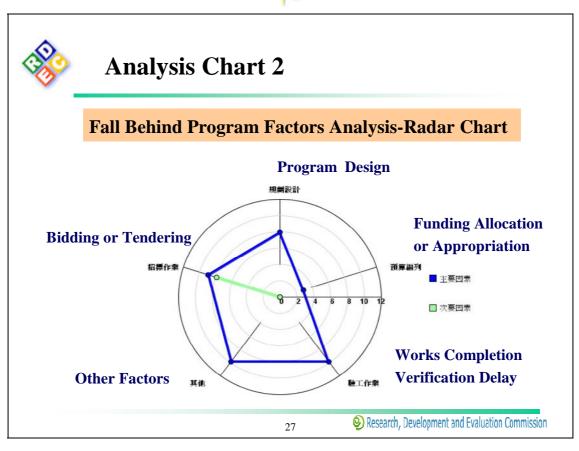


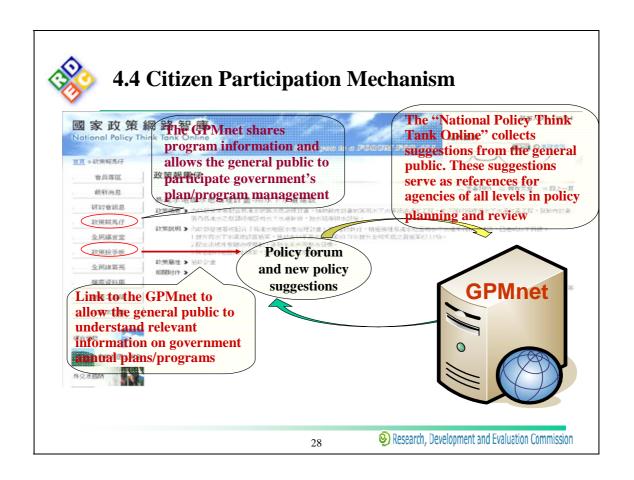


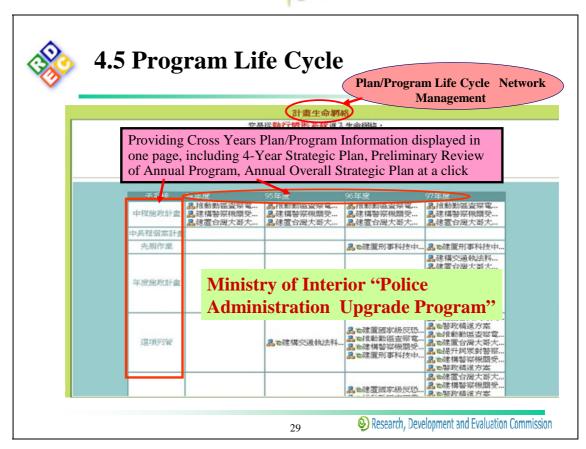














5.1 Benefits of GPMnet

- ➤ Providing service to 37 Ministries/4,000 Subordinate Agencies; 70,000 users for about 2,000 plans/programs a year
- ➤ Saving NT\$370 million in system development fees and NT\$ 32 million in maintenance manpower fees per year
- > Cabinet Awards







- ➤ Efficient and timely support for plan/program management
- ➤ Fully utilizing integrated information to improve the quality of decision-making
- ➤ The general public can be better informed to participate in governance process
- > Automatic information disclosure

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5.2 Prospects

- ➤ Better performance management is the key to strengthen accountability
- ➤ By harnessing ICT, we will continue to integrate other information systems into the GPMnet, such as knowledge discovery systems for planning, review, and decision making
- ➤ With the advent of Web 2.0 era, we will introduce GIS, video and audio clip technology into GPMnet for instant, active, and full-dimensional management of government plans/programs

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Part III: Summary Report



APEC Workshop on Government Performance and Results Management 26-28 March 2008 Chinese Taipei

SUMMARY REPORT

Chinese Taipei, in conjunction with its co-sponsor New Zealand, held a workshop on Government Performance and Results Management on 27-28 March 2008 in Taipei. The meeting was attended by Australia; Canada; Hong Kong, China; Indonesia; Japan; the Republic of Korea; Malaysia; New Zealand; Peru; Singapore; Chinese Taipei; Thailand; the United States of America; and Viet Nam.

I. Opening Remarks

Dr. Jay N. Shih, Minister of the Research, Development and Evaluation Commission under the Cabinet, Chinese Taipei, warmly welcomed all representatives, speakers and moderators from member economies to this workshop.

Prof. Bob Buckle, Chair of the Economic Committee, hoped that the workshop would contribute to a culture of "producing concrete results with public money," that would benefit all APEC stakeholders, from business to civil society and the ordinary citizen in the APEC region. He also stated three objectives of this workshop: understanding good practice in planning and setting objectives for government agencies in the public sectors, exchanging ideas on monitoring and measuring agency progress, and evaluating performance in order to promote better public sector governance. Prof. Buckle suggested this workshop might help promote the benefits of structural reform in the various APEC economies, as well as raise awareness and stimulate new ideas through the exchange of experiences about managing the overall performance of public agencies and individual project results of government agencies.

Dr. Brain McCulloch, Coordinator of the Friends of the Chair Group on Public Sector Governance, Economic Committee, expressed his appreciation to all parties involved in organizing this workshop and shared some recent achievements in the public sector governance theme of the Economic Committee's work program in pursuit of the APEC Leaders' Agenda to Implement Structural Reform (LAISR).

II. Keynote Address:

Performance Management: It's the Results that Count

The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon, President Emeritus of the Canada School of Public Service and Distinguised Fellow, Centre for International Governance Innovation, delivered the keynote address summarized as follows:



- Future trends in public administration involve moving from an intellectual framework of multiple separations (policy/operations, market/democracy, politics/administration, etc.) to one of multiple democratic interactions, with reliance on coordination between agencies, intermediate outcomes, intangible results, indirect tools, and citizen engagement, to meet the imperatives of serving in the 21st Century.
- Separated from the political process, public debate and management decision-making, performance measurement and management is simply an instrument of control and an expensive one at that. Performance management in government needs to be repositioned to improve its performance. The ultimate worth of the system is the use made of it by managers, by elected officials and ultimately by citizens.
- Repositioning performance management must start with clarity of purpose: The goal
 of performance management should be to improve decision-making in government at
 all levels in order to achieve better public results and enhance the net public value of
 those results.
- The test of good performance management is to: 1) contribute to better decisions by managers, 2) contribute to better public policy decisions by elected officials and improve understanding of public policy choices open to citizens, 3) help identify and remove the obstacles to better results, and 4) shed light on the reasons for failures and the need for adjustments.
- A public sector performance management system should be designed as one integrated but differentiated system responding to different needs and purposes: 1) the agency keeping in mind the particular needs of managers and the users of the services, 2) system-wide keeping in mind the particular needs of ministers, elected officials and the legislature; and 3) societal keeping in mind the need for accountability to the general public for good government and good governance. The focus of performance management in government should be about improved decision-making to achieve results because it is the results that count.
- Performance management should support better decisions by managers, better public
 policy decisions by elected officials and a better understanding of public policy
 choices by citizens. On all these counts, performance management is underperforming and is at risk. Performance management needs to be re-positioned. More
 measures and more indicators will not guarantee better results and are, therefore, not
 the answer.
- At the agency level, performance management needs to become an instrument of innovation and performance improvement, not an instrument of control and compliance. It should help to free the agency of unnecessary and costly controls in order to speed up the process of innovation.
- As government programs were born out of a political process, the focus of performance management needs to shift to system-wide results and reintegrate elected officials and citizens. This is where the greatest benefits could be achieved.
- System-wide and societal results, political decision-making and citizen engagement



are mutually reinforcing. When effective integration is achieved, the capacity of the country to provide good government and good governance is enhanced. Public trust is the ultimate measure of good government and good governance. This is the result that counts the most.

Discussion

- **Mr. Rudolph Lohmeyer** from the United States questioned what capacities government must have to deal with the challenges of public policies in the future. The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon responded that building capacities and using existing capacities are both important for results.
- **Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung** from Chinese Taipei questioned how to balance administration and politics. The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon responded that building capacities and using existing capacities are both important for results. Administration and politics should be viewed as one system and should take each other into account.
- **Dr. Hanh Tran Thi** from Viet Nam asked how performance management might be applied in her country. The Honourable Jocelyne Bourgon noted that performance management in government should improve decision-making to achieve results. This is the result that counts the most.

III. Session 1: Whole-of-Government Strategic Planning

Speech

Mr. Jón R. Blöndal, Deputy Head of Budgeting and Public Expenditures Division, Public Government Directorate, OECD, delivered a speech summarized as follows:

- There are two major areas of action in the OECD. One is the Forum of Officials, in which officials from member countries discuss various issues. Another is policy research, which conducts policy evaluation on member countries in some fields such as economics, etc.
- The description of government performance and management: The most important question for dealing with a budget is: what can I achieve with the money I have? Each country has its own way of budgeting, so there is no standard solution to the challenges of performance and management. The goals include improving decision-making, paying more attention to performance and management, providing more information for priorities, enhancing planning and transparency, and improving management. However, few countries have successfully integrated performance and results into their budget processes. It is not a magic bullet, and perceptions and definitions vary; however, it is a long-term process. It is better for the budget to be allocated in different fields, but this might ignore some other considerations, such as political commitments. Successful performance and results management is the key aspect of public policy management reform, which should replace traditional input



control. The roles of agencies are also crucial. Budget management agencies should be given a cabinet-level post, such as under the supervision of the President/Prime Minister's office or the Ministry of Finance. It involves leadership, strategic planning, investment in human resources and coordination among agencies.

- Outcome and production are equally important. It is easier to measure results in some fields. It is not appropriate to set goals for everything; credibility and reliability are also important. There are other methods of evaluation, such as peer review. Information overload should be avoided, with only the amount required by users to be provided. The biggest challenge comes from politicians, since they often pay attention exclusively to budgeting and ignore the subsequent process. Strong leadership is required to reverse this phenomenon, and they must also face lobbying from interest groups.
- Planning is also important. Consistency and long-term processes should be considered while budgeting. Unrealistic projections often appear in the budgeting of countries, which means planning and budgeting can be difficult to integrate.
- In conclusion, similar reforms have been undertaken, or are under way, across OECD countries but from different starting points and with different speeds and different emphasis.

Economy Experience Sharing 1 – Chinese Taipei

Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung, Chief Secretary of the Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, Chinese Taipei, shared the experience of Chinese Taipei as follows:

- Chinese Taipei has established a two-level Government Plan/Program Management Scheme for good governance of ministerial strategic plans and individual programs. Chinese Taipei has also built an ICT-based plan/program performance management system, which has proved to be effective.
- Review and evaluation of the 4-year overall ministerial strategic plan review and evaluation is to measure the overall performance of each ministry by applying strategic management and outcome-oriented methods. Individual medium- and long-term program review and evaluations focus on performance management and evaluation of significant programs implemented by government agencies.
- The RDEC has built the "Web-Based Government Plan/Program Performance Management" (GPMnet) to enhance the performance of agencies in plan/program management. This system is also integrated with the plan/program knowledge management operations to provide support and reference for policy-making efforts of the various government agencies and achieve the goal of online management of all government plan/programs.
- Chinese Taipei's experience provides some suggestions: 1) develop online auditing mechanisms to improve ministry internal control, 2) integrate other administrative management information systems (such as budget) to support top-level decision-making, 3) introduce the GPMnet to local governments to promote nationwide performance management, and 4) exchange ideas on good governance



among the international community.

- Objectives for government plan/program performance management:
 - · Accountability: Everybody knows which ministry accounts for what kind of plan/program implemented in a specific time and place;
 - · Transparency: Everybody can get performance evaluation information about ministry plans and programs online;
 - · Participation: Everybody may participate during the review and evaluation process of ministry plans and programs.

Economy Experience Sharing 2 – U. S. A

Mr. Daren Wong, Program Examiner of Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, U. S. A., shared the experience of the United States as follows:

- The United States Government has a series of laws and regulations concerning budget performance and management. These have been gradually established since the 1960s, and some successes have been seen. The Office of Management and Budget, under the supervision of the President, provides advice and recommendation regarding budgeting.
- The Government Performance Results Act of 1993 lays out a series of requirements for agencies on such topics as strategic planning, and annual performance planning and reporting. The Program Assessment Rating Tool evaluates performance and management from four dimensions. The Performance Improvement Initiative requires regular meetings of budgeting officials from different agencies for communication and coordination in order to improve performance results. Most agencies have improved.
- The President signed Executive Order 13450 in November 2007, which sets some directives for improving government performance and management. The order states that government must use the taxpayers' money in an efficient way. Specific goals and plans must be provided by heads of agencies. The position of Performance Improvement Officer is established to supervise performance results and provide advice to the heads of each agency. Performance Improvement Officers (PIOs) from each agency form the Performance Improvement Council, which discusses the performance results, exchanges information, coordinates the continuous process of government performance evaluation, and keeps the public informed.
- Congress amended the law in 2003 to link the salary of the head and officials of each agency with the performance results. Assessment processes must be conducted in each agency in order to launch the government's improvement plan on performance and management.



IV. Session 2: Good Practice in Planning and Objective Setting of Government Agencies

Speech

Prof. John Halligan, Research Professor of Government and Public Administration, School of Business and Government, University of Canberra, Australia, delivered the following speech:

- This speech has two topics: 1) good practice in planning and objective setting of government agencies, and 2) understanding management for performance through a comparison of official models and practice.
- Firstly, an integrated planning and management for performance framework was presented. Government engages not only in results-oriented strategic planning based on stakeholder input and previous performance, but also in valid and accurate performance measurement that reflects progress towards goals with a clear and well communicated purpose. As for the management for performance framework, government, legislative and regulatory roles are on the top in Australia. The next, in the framework, are the outcomes and outputs structure, business planning and budget cycle links, which are also connected to corporate planning and governance. The bottom of the framework includes organizational, individual and team performance reviews and feedback.
- Professor Halligan noted that the focus is on the specific results of outcomes. Planned outcomes are the results, or community and environmental effects and impacts, intended by government. Four functions of outcomes are mentioned: to define expected impacts from agency activity, to delineate parameters for agency outputs, to specify the purpose of budget appropriations, and to provide the legislature and other external stakeholders with a statement of goals. Secondly, Professor Halligan compared official models and practice by analyzing the ideal type, country model and degree of implementation. Generally speaking, performance management is the most appropriate model because of its hierarchical performance measurement systems, systemically internal integration, and its coherence, consistency and comprehensive coverage. The performance management model applies in Australia, UK, Canada, USA and New Zealand.

Economy Experience Sharing 3 - Canada

Dr. Ivan Blake, Executive Director of Management Accountability, Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat, shared experiences in Canada as follows:

- The Canadian experience is characterized by a focus on accountability and results within a coherent and integrated framework of management expectations. Dr. Blake emphasized two initiatives to strengthen planning and objective setting and the efficient and effective delivery of results: the renewal of the Expenditure Management System (EMS) and the Management Accountability Framework



(MAF).

- The EMS is the joint responsibility of Finance, the Privy Council Office and the Treasury Board Secretariat. As a result of the EMS, massive spending reductions in the mid-90s have yielded a decade of surpluses. To ensure government programs generate better results and greater value for money, the Government of Canada announced the renewal of the Expenditure Management System in 2006. The renewed EMS has the following key features: 1) the Cabinet examines all new spending proposals taking into account the funding and performance of existing programs, 2) departments are expected to manage programs against planned results and formally evaluate programs, 3) the Treasury Board leads a review of departments' program spending over a four-year cycle to assess whether they are achieving the intended results, are managed efficiently and are aligned with the government's priorities, 4) reviews are to identify 5% of spending that can be freed for reallocation to higher priorities either internally or across the Public Service.
- The Federal Accountability Act was passed in December 2006 to set out clear management expectations for senior executives and to assess capacity and management performance government-wide. The Act put even greater emphasis on accountability and transparency in government operations. In its management office role, the Treasury Board Secretariat is promoting management excellence in several ways, such as streamlining its policies and clarifying their consequences, and looking for ways to reduce the reporting burden it imposes and to risk-manage its transactions with departments. To clarify its expectations and summarize the conditions required for management excellence, the Treasury Board Secretariat developed the Management Accountability Framework (MAF). Using the MAF, the Treasury Board Secretariat assesses 21 areas of management in all departments by rating them as 'strong', 'acceptable', 'opportunity for improvement' or 'attention required'. MAF assessments are now an established part of the annual departmental and government-wide planning and accountability cycle. Assessments represent the Treasury Board Secretariat's "opinion," and findings are made public along with departmental responses. Moreover, assessments are being used as input in resource allocation decisions and to risk-manage departmental business with the Treasury Board. The MAF is also becoming the template for deputy minister appearances before parliamentary committees.

Discussion

- **Mr. Yap** from Singapore raised questions about how different public sectors have done in capturing specific outcomes among several agencies, and how to make outcomes more measurable. Dr. Halligan replied that a framework can help operate outcome measurement, and the shared outcome may focus on the inter-government agenda and the context. Dr. Blake responded it is important for horizontal management to frame the work and build an information system, and the MAF can help to examine the capacity of departments and to monitor policy compliance.



V. Session 3: Monitoring and Measuring Agency Progress, and Evaluating Performance/Reporting

Economy Experience Sharing 4 - Australia

Dr. Michael Kirby, First Assistant Commissioner of the Productivity Commission, Australia, shared experiences in Australia as follows:

- Australia's GDP per capita was ranked fourth in the world shortly after the end of World War II. But in the following decades the Australian community experienced a long-term decline in its relative economic performance. Basically, the economy lacked flexibility and had high cost and inefficient manufacturing and government services, so there was scope for widespread reform including trade liberalization, macroeconomic policy, taxation, capital markets, infrastructure, government services, national competition policy and labor markets. In recent decades, Australia has experienced substantial structural reform and the economy has been substantially transformed. The economy is becoming more open. In late 1980s, the decline in Australia's economic ranking spectacularly turned around.
- Such improvements did not come effortlessly. There are substantial and systemic obstacles to reform: costs are concentrated, benefits widely spread, potential winners are poorly informed, costs of reform are immediate and benefits take time, and bureaucratic structures are often aligned with sectional interests. In the case of Australia, it has also been observed that multiple jurisdictions can be a complicating factor. The Australian Federation, has central and state governments, and the constitutional allocation of different responsibilities complicates the reform process.
- As for the reform, building community-wide support has been an important factor. This is an important area where the Productivity Commission fits in. The Productivity Commission is the Australian Government's principal advisory body on microeconomic policy and regulation. It is located within the Treasury's portfolio. The Productivity Commission's role is to inform policy debate and provide a basis for better policy decisions to improve the economy.
- Three key design features of the Productivity Commission have contributed to its success in the Australian context. First of all, it is an independent body. It has its own legislation. Commissioners are statutory appointees, and it works at an arm's length from government. Secondly, its processes are transparent and involve extensive public input into its analysis. All its work is published, and its advice exposed to public scrutiny. This transparency is an important quality control mechanism on its work and analysis. Finally, it takes a very broad view, examining the impact of issues on the entire community, not just on a particular group. It is intended to achieve higher living standards for the community as a whole.
- Why do we want to monitor the performance of government services provision? Many services lack well developed markets, so measuring performance can help drive improvement. Government services are also vital to community wellbeing, particularly for special needs group. For what can we use performance measurement



information? This information can clarify service objectives and government responsibilities, provide indicators of performance over time and across services and jurisdictions, make performance more transparent, inform service users and the community, and encourage ongoing performance improvement.

- The implementation structure of this system of performance monitoring is very important. It is a genuine whole-of-government process. The heads of the national and state governments have all agreed to do this. The exercise is run by a steering committee that was composed of senior officials from central agencies. Below the steering committee, there are working groups that are composed of line agencies and other specialists. The Productivity Commission acts as a secretariat for the steering committee and the working groups. As such, is it able to apply its three key design features of independence, transparency and community-wide perspective to the task. This is obviously a quite cleverly designed institutional structure.
- The Productivity Commission uses equity, effectiveness and efficiency as general performance indicators and further develops indicators into an outputs and outcomes framework. There are some guiding principles which underpin the indicators: a focus on outcomes; a sense of comprehensiveness; comparability across jurisdictions and over time; progressive data availability; timeliness; and iterative improvement.
- Originally the Report on Financial Performance of Government Trading Enterprises (GTE) was very similar to the Report on Government Services. It had a similar structure and objectives. It originally arose from concerns with the slow rate of government business reform. The subsequent reforms included commercialization, and privatization, full cost recovery and other capital market disciplines, competitive neutrality and exposure to competition where possible. As a consequence of these reforms, the GTEs monitoring report is now undertaken solely by the Productivity Commission (without the multi-jurisdictional committee oversight that it originally had), and is focused on financial performance only.

Economy Experience Sharing 5 - Singapore

Mr. William Yap, Director of Performance and Organization, Ministry of Finance, Singapore, shared experiences in Singapore as follows:

- In the mid 1990s, the Singapore Public Service implemented Public Service for the 21st Century (PS21) to encourage public officers to become more creative in performing their work. This was important in enabling the decentralization of personnel and financial authority to ministries. The need to focus on performance management also became clearer during this period.
- With greater flexibility introduced through block budgeting, it was evident that performance management would be important in allowing ministries to undertake self-evaluation on how effectively they were using their financial resources. Ministries would set targets and measure their achievement of them which would be submitted to the Ministry of Finance.
- Performance management tools should, however, be seen as a spectrum starting from



individual performance appraisal, which would focus on corporate and human resource (HR) issues, in contrast to performance management at the organization level and performance management at the public service level. The challenge at the higher level would be to ensure that outcomes at the organization level would not lead to suboptimization at the public service level.

- Key performance indicators (KPI) in ministry's performance management would entail quantitative and qualitative indicators. The Ministry of Finance has begun to work with other ministries to systematically analyze the trends of KPIs. It was generally felt that the trends of KPIs were at least as important as the KPIs themselves in enabling agencies to understand reasons for under- or over-performance.
- In the course of studying performance management, Singapore came across some challenges in applying it in the public sector context, such as the inherent difficulty in designing KPIs accurately, and that it was not always optimal to tie budgeting to performance indicators due to the nature of public services.
- There is some scope for improvement in performance management. For example, deeper engagement with ministries on performance issues, wider exposure of senior public officers to government-wide perspectives and simpler reports to make them more user-friendly.

Discussion

- Dr Halligan from Australia asked for more details on the ministries' performance management and if the performance management reporting was submitted only to the Ministry of Finance. Mr. Yap responded that ministries would indicate their strategic outcomes and KPIs, and how they performed relative to the targets set. The current positioning of performance management was aimed at providing ministries with a useful self-evaluation tool and reports were currently consolidated and reported within the government. The Ministry of Finance oversees and analyzes not only individual ministries' performances, but also the trends and issues of concern that may be pertinent across agencies. The Ministry of Finance also engages the ministries to consider follow-up measures to address any areas of concern. Most of the ministries' key performance indicators are currently available to the public through the annual budget estimates.
- **Dr Halligan** further asked if there were other mechanisms to ensure accountability in spending and reporting. Mr. Yap replied that there were several mechanisms. Parliamentary committees are appointed for different areas of public sector work and they are in a position to query ministries on their budgeting and spending. The Auditor-General's Office also audits various agencies and reports to Parliament on its findings. Singapore has also instituted some value-for-money reviews internally to regularly review the program spending of ministries, identify areas for improvement which would be conveyed to agencies, and recommend how agencies could enhance the value of money in their programs.



VI. Session 4: Demonstration on the Use of ICT in Public Sector Governance (Chinese Taipei GPMnet Report)

Mr. Chung-Ing Shih, Director of the Department of Supervision and Evaluation, Research, Development and Evaluation Commission, Chinese Taipei, shared experiences in Chinese Taipei as follows:

- There were several problems relevant to performance management before 2005, for instance, many cabinet oversight organizations, scattered information, highly time-consuming processes, limited involvement of organization leaders, and little performance information disclosure.
- The government of Chinese Taipei has used ICT to build up a single portal for government plan/program management network ("GPMnet"). GPMnet has integrated scattered information systems into a new knowledge management system for decision-making and plan/program monitoring. All overseeing organizations and ministries use the same network and share information online.
- At the organizational level, GPMnet provides several functions, e.g. setting/ reviewing strategic plans, allocating the total budget required, and conducting preliminary and final evaluations.
- At the program level, GPMnet also provides several functions, e.g. submitting all programs by the ministry, monitoring implementation progress, directing on-site inspection and follow-up, conducting preliminary or final performance evaluation, and publishing annual reports.
- GPMnet reflects good public governance by establishing platforms for comprehensive management of government programs, program knowledge management, program progress trend monitoring, citizen participation mechanisms and program lifecycles.
- GPMnet provides services to 37 Ministries, 4,000 subordinate agencies and 70,000 users for about 2,000 plans/programs a year, and saves NT\$370 million in system development fees and NT\$ 32 million in maintenance manpower fees per year.
- By harnessing ICT, Chinese Taipei will continue to integrate other information systems into the GPMnet, such as knowledge discovery systems for planning, review, and decision making. With the advent of the Web 2.0 era, Chinese Taipei will introduce GIS, and video and audio clip technology into GPMnet for instant, active, and full-dimensional management of government plans and programs.

Discussion

- **The Honorable Jocelyne Bourgon** from Canada asked about the role of the Cabinet during the process. Dr. Jay N. Shih replied that the Prime Minister of Chinese Taipei is very busy and must delegate to overseeing agencies the monitoring of government performance. The RDEC is the vital overseeing agency and has the responsibility to



publicize the final report. By harnessing GPMnet, the RDEC can allow ministries pay more attention to performance management.

- **Dr. Blake** from Canada asked how to connect with finance management system. Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung replied that the Directorate-General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics (DGBAS) has its own system. A solution must therefore be found to efficiently connect with the finance management system, which is the way forward for future improvement.
- **Dr. Halligan** from Australia asked how useful targets for the National Palace Museum are established. Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung replied that following normal socioeconomic trends, a 10% higher volume of visitors to the National Palace Museum is predicted. This is a negotiation process and meetings have been arranged to solve the disputes of target setting.
- **Mr. Rudolph Lohmeyer** from the U.S.A asked about how to meet the users' requirements and make the system more attractive. Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung replied that this was the most important issue to be resolved. The views of all those involved in the process are considered and GPMnet has subsequently been revised twice to meet the users' requirements. Video and audio clip technology will be introduced to GPMnet for active management.
- **Miss Mao** from Hong Kong, China, asked how to balance a diversity of stakeholders' interest during citizen participation. Dr. Yu-Hsieh Sung replied that the National Policy Think Tank Online was launched years ago, through which the public may address comments to the government. Citizens are encouraged with rewards to express their opinions. Output from the National Policy Think Tank Online sends feedback to the GPMnet system. This is just the beginning and there is still a lot of room ahead for us to improve.

VII. Session 5: Group Discussion

Outcomes of Group Discussion 1: Whole-of-government Strategic Planning

- The strategic target setting on government performance that relates to the consideration of multiple objectives on policy, society, economy and environmental protection, as well as the requests from multi-interest group, may lead to conflicts on target setting. How does administrative agency make a balance between those different needs and conflicts? Is there any principle or priority?
 - · Reduce the gap in access to information and initiate dialogue between the government and the private sectors.
 - · Use opinion polls on certain issues and international indicators as a reference for assessment.
 - · An institutional framework must exist for conducting government performance, with someone coordinating this task.
 - · The idea of "twinning" is needed.
 - Develop guidelines and principles for governance, including agenda items for senior officials meetings, and ensure greater access to electronic resources for participating economies.



- How does government set appropriate whole-of-government strategic targets on performance? Top-down or Bottom-up? What are necessary conditions or considerable factors?
 - · Narrow down the differences within the communities and build understanding. Government can get feedback from communities through opinion polls after launching certain policies.
 - · Member economies could provide technological assistance and support to each other, such as transfer and education.
- How does APEC or individual economy take a further step to practice what we learn about government performance management from this workshop?
 - Twinning is a new idea in APEC. Economies with a similar scope and concept could be provided with technological assistance and expertise from other experienced economies.

Outcomes of Group Discussion 2: Good Practice in Planning and Objective Setting of Government Agencies

- To comply with core values, it always leads to target simplification during the process of governmental objective setting. What factors should be considered to make targets fully reflect to agencies' strategies?
 - Four factors should be considered to make targets fully reflective of agencies' strategies: 1) balance the top-down and bottom-up approach (Dr. Halligan), 2) set out targets based on agenda setting, 3) balance the concerns of central government and line agencies, and 4) balance agencies' targets and societal outputs.
- There is always a gap between government performance and the public satisfaction. How to make a measurement that meets public expectation and government policy?
 - · Two viewpoints may eliminate or reduce the gaps between government performance and the public satisfaction: 1) government should make information available to the public (Dr. Halligan) and 2) public servants have a responsibility to tell the President or the Prime Minister information about the future of nation (Dr. Blake).
- How does APEC or individual economy take a further step to practice what we learn about government performance management from this workshop?
 - APEC or individual economics may take steps to: 1) make documentation of whole process of performance management and accumulate into knowledge management (Dr. Halligan), and 2) collect citizens' input during initial stage of performance management, rather than during terminal stages, to incorporate public feedback.

Outcomes of Group Discussion 3: Monitoring and Measuring Agency Progress, and Evaluating Performance/Reporting



- The implementation of some programs needs cooperation among more than one government agency. How to clarify accountabilities of different implementing agencies?
 - · Cooperation among government agencies is very important.
 - It is difficult in practice for agencies to break out of their silos to undertake shared responsibility for outcomes. Horizontal platforms are required for Ministries to clarify their shared responsibilities and apportion financial expenditures.
 - It is useful to establish lead agencies for inter-agency programs which develop the strategies to deal with problems. However, the challenge is to get the secondary or partner agencies to come to agreement on those strategies proposed by the lead agencies.
- There is always a gap between government performance and the public satisfaction. Is it proper to introduce non-government institutes to make evaluation on government's performance? How to introduce?
 - Introducing non-governmental bodies to evaluate the government's performance is feasible. However, it must be noted that internal efforts by governments, e.g. performance evaluation by central agencies over line agencies, have the advantage of access to information and administrative influence that NGOs would not quite have.
 - · Chinese Taipei pointed out that a necessary condition was greater citizen awareness. It likes to hear criticisms and to convert these into constructive action.
 - Singapore felt that the objectives of third-party performance evaluation by NGOs had to be made clear and transparent. An informative and fact-based approach should be used.
- How to bring the evaluation into full play on government performance management?
 - · Chinese Taipei added that it was important to link performance to civil service reward or punishment scheme, and to link performance to budgeting. Peru agreed that budgeting should be performance-informed, but not necessary performance-based, as it was sometimes not clear whether poor performance should be addressed with more or less budget.
- How does APEC or individual economies take a further step to practice what we learn about government performance management from this workshop?
 - Indonesia (Mr. Sudrajat) mentioned that we need to establish a platform for officials to pursue and share their initiatives in terms of performance management. We should feel free to call upon any other economy that participated in this workshop to share further experiences with similar initiatives.
 - · Chinese Taipei also suggested that APEC institute an e-learning program to facilitate this sharing.

Part IV: Questionnaire Survey Results

1. Overall Assessment

	Strongly		Somewhat		Strongly	
	disagree	Disagree	agree	Agree	agree	N/A
I believe this workshop achieved its						
stated objectives				21% (3)	79% (11)	
The concepts shared are directly						
relevant to the demands of my						
economy				21% (3)	79% (11)	
The speakers' presentation methods						
helped me to understand				50% (7)	50% (7)	
The material enhanced the content						
of the workshop and met my needs				57% (8)	43% (6)	
The general discussion enhanced						
my learning				50% (7)	50% (7)	
What I have learned will enhance my						
job/role performance				57% (8)	43% (6)	
I am motivated to apply these new						
concepts in my economy				57% (8)	36% (5)	7% (1)
The overall quality of this workshop						
was excellent				21% (3)	79% (11)	

Keynote Speech: Performance						
Management: It's the Results that		Somewhat			Completely	
Count	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	satisfied	N/A
Session content			7% (1)	29% (4)	64% (9)	
Keynote speaker				29% (4)	71% (10)	
Material logistics				43% (6)	57% (8)	

Session 1: Whole of government		Somewhat			Completely	
strategic planning	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	satisfied	N/A
Session content			14% (2)	43% (6)	43% (6)	
Speaker			7% (1)	29% (4)	64% (9)	
Material logistics				57% (8)	43% (6)	



Session 2: Good practice in						
planning and objective setting of		Somewhat			Completely	
government agencies	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	satisfied	N/A
Session content				57% (8)	43% (6)	
Speaker				50% (7)	50% (7)	
Material logistics				71% (10)	29% (4)	

Session 3: Monitoring and						
measuring agency progress, and		Somewhat			Completely	
evaluating performance /reporting	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	satisfied	N/A
Session content			14% (2)	43% (6)	43% (6)	
Speaker			7% (1)	36% (5)	57% (8)	
Material logistics			14% (2)	43% (6)	43% (6)	

Session 4: Demonstration on the						
use of ICT in public sector						
governance (Chinese Taipei		Somewhat			Completely	
GPMnet Report)	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	satisfied	N/A
Session content			14% (2)	36% (5)	43% (6)	7% (1)
Speaker			29% (4)	29% (4)	36% (5)	7% (1)
Material logistics			21% (3)	29% (4)	43% (6)	7% (1)

Session 5: Group Discussion /						
Group Report / General		Somewhat			Completely	
Discussion	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very satisfied	satisfied	N/A
Overall						
Session content			9% (1)	27% (3)	64% (7)	
Moderator			9% (1)	18% (2)	73% (8)	
Reporter			9% (1)	18% (2)	73% (8)	
Group 1 (Answer one you joined)						
Session content					100% (2)	

Moderator				100% (2)	
Reporter				100% (2)	
Group 2 (Answer one you joined)					
Session content			100% (1)		
Moderator				100% (1)	
Reporter				100% (1)	
Group 3 (Answer one you joined)					
Session content		14% (1)	29% (2)	57% (4)	
Moderator		14% (1)	43% (3)	43% (3)	
Reporter		14% (1)	43% (3)	43% (3)	

2. Summarize Workshop's Result

(a) What new knowledge or value have you gained from the workshop?

Most participants (APEC, U.S., Singapore, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia) thought what they gained from the workshop are other economies' experiences in performance and results management and the importance of ICT.

Individual opinions:

- Knowledge about how various economies is undertaking performance and results management.
- Challenges in performance and results management.
- The information on ICT, the Australian Productivity Commission and the Canadian MAF was very useful.
- Insight the latest knowledge and methodologies by specialists from dedicated agencies.
- The importance is to manage performance instead of just measure performance.
- An international perspective on the challenges and solutions by other counties in the field of performance and results management.
- Experience of other counties.
- Use of ICT in performance management.
- Shifting the focus of performance management on agency-wide to system-wide or society-wide.
- How to increase the performance or utilization of performance management..
- The Chinese Taipei Performance Management System and techniques, especially the GPMnet.



- More detail information regarding performance management that I get from this workshop.
- The role of ICT in evaluating/publishing the government performance.
- The important of having comprehensive coverage of evaluation.
- ICT is the important / key tool make performance management successful.
- Performance management for results should be kept distinct from central control mechanism.

(b) Do you consider that the outcome of the workshop could/should lead to collective EC actions, or action by individual economies? If so, what?

Some participants (APEC, Chinese Taipei, Indonesia) thought it should lead to collective EC actions and suggest a "twinning" approach for exchanging information; some participants (Singapore, Malaysia) suggested that actions should be taken individually, since individual governments are ultimately responsible to their own political leaders and their citizens.

Individual opinions:

- Both. It struck me that the early developing economics participant that spoke during the general session, Vietnam, expressed a sense of bring at a very early stage of considering performance budgeting management. Probably the lack of active participant by the economies means they are far behind. Suggest a "twinning" approach (through EC), where "strong" PM economies (AU, US, SIN) to pair with a weak/newcomer to PM (Vietnam) for exchanging information and develop a start.
- As individual governments are ultimately responsible to their own political leaders and their citizens, actions would be most successfully undertaken by individual economies.
- Action should be taken individually. The issue is really that there is no clear one way to go
 about addressing performance management issues. And given this premise, what would
 be better is for different economies to learn from one another's experiences and pick and
 choose what could be applied in their situation and context.
- It should lead to collective EC actions. Sharing experience platform is a good start.
- I can confirm the Thai Public Sector Performance System and applied some ideas to improve my jobs.
- To conduct regular meeting.
- We need the political will to convince ministers to start looking seriously into this issue.
- Some further steps (actions) proposed by the participants seem feasible.

(c) What needs to be done next? How should the workshop be built upon?

Participants (APEC, Peru, Singapore, Thailand, Malaysia) suggested to record and report key insights, build a network for sharing experience to continue dialogue between EC economies, and pool of ICT experts from each country to make best application.



Individual opinions:

- Record and report key insights and learning.
- Followings with initiations focusing on priorities identified from the workshop.
- Build a network for sharing experiences.
- For participant to continue their dialogue and their improvement and success in their field.
- I would like more of the same. I think it could be tailored in the future to group economies in different stages of development (e.g. more advanced performance management implementation?) and tailor the presentations to different groups.
- Conclude the questions and answers, ideas and suggestion to all delegations. The workshop should provide for other countries to provide their experiences.
- More participants to be included are better.
- Include the matter in Finance ministry.
- Develop a common software / ICT infrastructure for individual economy to apply in their countries.
- Pool of ICT experts from each country to make best application.
- Develop a common indicator for government progress.
- Share the development and practices between EC.

(d) Please provide any additional comments. How could the workshop be improved? Generally, participants (APEC, Peru, Singapore, Indonesia) thought that it needs more time for discussion and deep analyzing of experiences.

Individual opinions:

- Allow none time for general discussion after formal presentation.
- The event was extremely well organized and planned!
- I think that the time that we have to learn from experiences was too short. I would like to have more time in deep analysis of the experiences.)
- The workshop logistics were very well handled by RDEC and Chinese Taipei. It would be nice to allow a bit more time for Q&A and for group mingling among the participants.
- Way too little time for final group discussion.
- More time for Q&A
- More sharing from individual economy may be better.

Annex: Group Photo

