



Session 16:

Strengthening Evidence Informed Decision Making at a Country Level: Challenges and Recommendations Case of Madagascar

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EVIDENCE = = GOOD DATA COLLECTED AND ANALYZED

⇒ NEEDED DATA EXIST

and

⇒ DATA QUALITY IS ASSESSED


CONTEXT AND SITUATION

- **No population census for 25 years** (1993 – 2018) => impossibility to have a good accurate planning process
- Citizens **don't get** an IDENTIFIER until the age of 18
- **Rampant corruption** almost everywhere in the administration
- But **ONE BIG STRENGTH**: the Constitution clearly states that the Parliament is in charge of evaluation public policies!

ANSWERS

- **Population census in 2018**
- **Reform of the Civil Registry** and give each newborn child a **UNIQUE IDENTIFIER**
- Develop and implement a **digital interoperability layer** to allow all government databases to talk to each other
- Start **digitizing public services**
- Elaborate the first ever **National Evaluation Policy** lead by the Parliament and strongly backed by the national VOPE

WHY THESE ANSWERS?

| ANSWERS | REASONS & BENEFITS |
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| Population Census | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better data for better planning |
| Civil registry Reform and Unique Identifier for each citizen | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Real time tracking of population movement and evolution - Better tracking of any mass action (ex: vaccination campaign, school enrolment of children ) - Automated updating of at least 2 registers: the tax payers' and the electoral listing |
| Development of a digital interoperability layer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More transparency and Better tracking of transactions with the administration - Huge savings for all administrations in being able to exchange and triangulate their data and information |

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| <p>Digitization of public services</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ease of access to any digitized public services for the citizen - Huge savings both for the public service users (at least for transportation costs and time spent to get the service) and the administrations (printing costs and ease of service delivery) - reduction of small corruption from the reduction of face-to-face service offering |
| <p>National Evaluation Policy elaboration</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Giving Parliament the needed tool for them better evaluate public policies - Setting the norms and standard in the country on how to conduct evaluations - Push for more demand of evaluations from the administrations and the Parliament |



MAIN OBJECTIVES

⇒ **MORE DATA AVAILABLE**

⇒ **BETTER DATA AVAILABLE**

⇒ **MORE TRANSPARENCY IN GOVERNMENT TRANSACTIONS**

⇒ **REDUCTION OF CORRUPTION**

⇒ **MORE AND BETTER SATISFACTION OF THE CITIZEN AND THE USER'S NEEDS**

⇒ **EVIDENCE INFORMED DECISION MAKING STRENGTHENED**



⇒ **MISAOTRA TOMPOKO!**