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Effective Institutions Platform

Past, Present & Future

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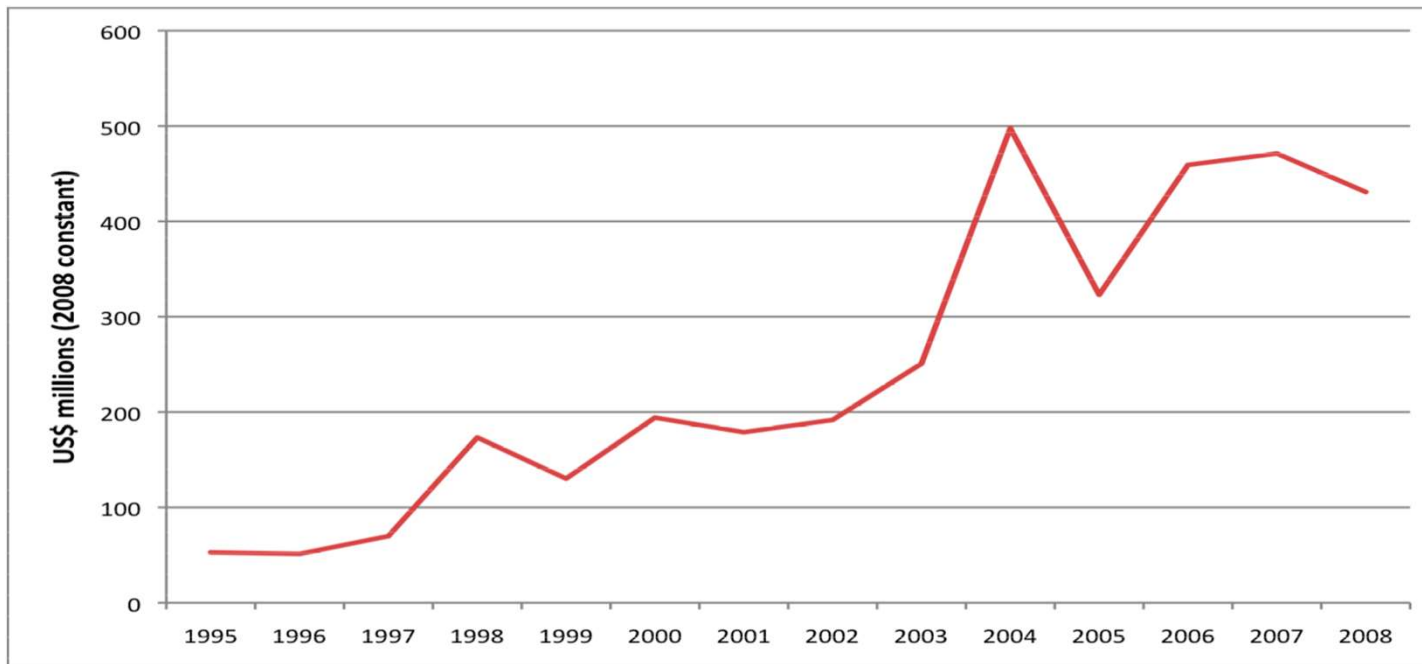
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The Continued Focus on Institutions

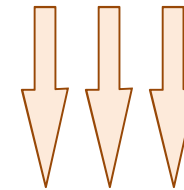
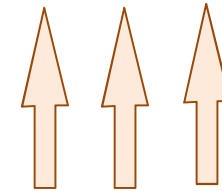
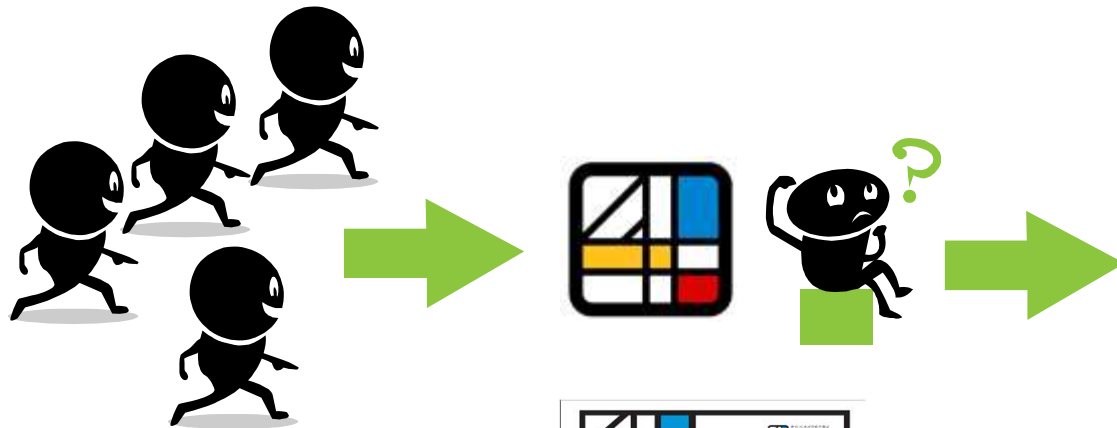
- Increased demand for advice to strengthen public sector institutions
- Funding levels increased since 1990s in strengthening public sector institutions
- E.g. Total Donor PFM support (1995-2008)



Lessons learned and Mixed Results

- Significant lessons learned...
 - Need to address the political economy of reform
 - Support to parliaments, civil society, media in a more coherent manner
 - Increased attention to demand side beyond central government administration
 - ‘Best Practice’ transferred to all countries questioned
 - Benefits of increased use of country financial governance systems for ownership and sustainability of reforms
 - Role of aid is necessary but not sufficient in developing inclusive and effective institutions
- ...But difficult to address these in practice

Genesis of the platform



Consultation in Manila, June 2011



'New Consensus on Effective Institutions'



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Five Core Work Areas

“Maximizing the added value of the platform”

- ✓ Change Management and Making Reform Happen
- ✓ Measuring the Strength of Public Sector Institutions
- ✓ Risk Management and Using Country Systems
- ✓ Fostering Accountable and Inclusive Institutions
- ✓ Enabling Results & Domestic Resource Mobilisation

Main recurring themes

- Too much attention has been paid to supply-driven 'solutions' to strengthening public sector institutions, rather than understanding the local 'problem'
- Institutional entrepreneurs are needed to drive reform efforts (within and/or outside the public sector)
- Focusing on implementation as well as de jure reforms of institutions
- Developing tools and mechanisms should be undertaken in an inclusive manner

How can the EIP support change?

- ✓ Tool for knowledge sharing and consultation on reform efforts
- ✓ Sparking innovative ideas and processes
- ✓ Finding consensus on politically sensitive issues
- ✓ Engaging with other fora (e.g: vehicle to bring to the attention of the Global Partnership Ministerial)

Concrete proposals

“Maximizing the added value of the platform”

15 proposals received in these 5 core areas contributing to:

- a) Increasing the effectiveness of institutions at the country level, and/or
- b) Nurturing the debate at the international level promoting better support to institutions

Current Proposals

| CHANGE MANAGMT AND MRH | INDICATORS | USE OF COUNTRY SYSTEMS | ACCOUNTABLE & INCLUSIVE INSTITUTIONS | OTHER AREAS |
|---------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|---|
| DFID, LenCD | World Bank, South Africa, Belgium, Vietnam | CABRI, USAID, Ghana | AWEPA, OECD, IBON | ATAF, Task Force on Tax & Development |
| CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT | LINKING ISPSM TO BUSAN | PROMOTE THE USE OF COUNTRY SYSTEMS | CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT IN SAI | ENABLING DOMESTIC RESOURCE MOBILIZATION |
| BETTER PUBLIC SERVICES DELIVERY | INDICATORS FOR THE QUALITY OF PFM | DONOR POLICIES ON COUNTRY SYSTEMS | PARLAMENTARY OVERSIGHT | OTHERS? |
| OTHERS | METHODOLOGY FOR ASSESSING PROCUREMENT | OTHERS? | OPEN CONTRACTING | |
| | STATISTICAL OFFICES TRACKING EXPENDITURE | | ROLE OF CSOs IN STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS | |
| | IMPLEMENTING BUSAN COMMITMENTS | | OTHERS? | |

Suggestions on Change Management area (February 2013)

- Including practitioners from high, middle & low income countries in the discussions on making reform happen
- Coming up with shared methodologies and approaches
- Develop structured knowledge sharing across sectors that don't usually interact
- Free access to knowledge under a committed community of practice

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Role for Champions (including LenCD)

- Champions to lead in delivering their concrete objectives:
 - Bringing a multi-stakeholder group together & call for partners to join efforts
 - Providing information and evidence (mapping)
 - Delivering on more technical work (filling gaps where needed)
 - Sharing principles and building consensus
 - Shaping goals and initiatives of political interest to other fora, eg Global Partnership

Identifying political messages

- **Global Partnership:** Current priorities:
 - Domestic Resource Mobilization 
 - Knowledge Sharing 
 - Private sector role on Development
 - Co-operation for inclusive development 
- **Other Fora:** Post 2015 process, UNDCF, G-20
 - High Level Panel report: Good Governance and Effective Institutions

Next Steps

- ✓ Share with EIP members progress on concrete proposals by September
- ✓ Share with Secretariat information for new website (www.effective-institutions.org)
- ✓ Meeting of EIP in late fall (to be decided)
- ✓ Advocacy/Communicating to ministers prior to Global Partnership ministerial (early 2014)

Proposals and More Information:

www.effective-institutions.org



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