

ICT Budgeting Process

The National Assembly of Suriname

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ICT FINANCIAL PROCESS

- Planning:
 - Strategic ICT Plan
 - Annual ICT Plan - Annual Budget
 - National Budget: Ministry of Interior Affairs
- Operational:
 - Project Panning
 - Financial Requests
- Conclusions/Remarks



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Strategic ICT Plan

- Institutional Strengthening/TA Project:
 - United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)
 - Global Centre for ICT in Parliament
 - Caribbean Centre for Development Administration (CARICAD)
 - EU/UNDP funded
 - Brazilian Parliament
- Assessment Report
- ICT Strategic Plan:

- Vision

- Goals

- Road Map



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Strategic ICT Plan

- Vision:
 - “Using appropriate ICTs to provide effective service to the Members of the National Assembly of Suriname and engaging the public in parliamentary work by efficiently managing internal procedures, while providing access to timely and accurate information for the good governance of Suriname”
- Goals: several “priority initiatives”
- Road Map: 10 goals (SMART) – Bungeni not supported/financed



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Annual ICT Plan

- Evaluation Session
- Annual Priorities
- Annual Budget



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Annual ICT Plan

- Evaluation Session – ICT Management Team
 - Team: Speaker, Secr General, Head ICT and Head Communication
 - Progress Strategic Goals
 - Project Goals (Infrastructure Project, Capacity Building, New Website with Online Streaming – IPU Guidelines)
 - New Goals and Projects
- Annual ICT Plan: Annual Priorities/Prioritized Projects
- Annual ICT Budget (part of general DNA Budget)



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National Budget: Ministry of Internal Affairs

- general DNA Budget: Separate budget within de budget of the Ministry of Internal Affairs
- Three titles:
 - Operational/fixed Costs
 - Policy Program
 - Revenue Planning (subsidies ex. UNDP/EU Funds)
- DNA ICT Financial Budget not separately defined



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Operational Process

- Fixed costs: Salaries, Fixed Operational Costs etc.
- Project Basis:
 - Infrastructure renewal and expansion
 - Capacity Building: training program
 - Web site according to IPU guidelines
 - Documenting Admin Processes and Procedures
- Financial Requests: 1-3 months
 - > SRD4000: Approval of the Council of Ministers
 - Cash Flow problems and general priorities of the government



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Conclusions/Remarks

- ICT Planning Process has been significantly improved
- Financial Requests has become more transparent
- Transparency will improve: Financial System Reforms
- Approval of financial requests will become more efficient
- Evaluation of Final Accounts (?) of the Government in DNA
- Relation DNA – Government: conflict of interests



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