

# Effective Institutions Platform

EIP Newsletter, August 2014

## A Message from our Co-Chairs



Dear colleagues, As the co-Chairs of the Effective Institutions Platform, we are proud to share with you the **first edition of our Newsletter!** Future editions will be circulated on a quarterly basis, keeping our membership updated and informed on EIP news, projects

and upcoming events... [read full message.](#)

## Feature: Governance Indicators for Success



[Indicators for Success: The EIP's Contribution to the Field of Measuring Public Sector Performance](#), by Natalia Nolan Flecha, EIP Secretariat. The proliferation of governance indicators and performance evaluation frameworks over the past 20 years has been truly impressive. While this trend has been symptomatic of new public management mantras... [read full article.](#)

[Can Governance Indicators be Democratized?](#), blog by Jordan Holt, World Bank. If you are interested in measuring government performance, it's hard to know where to start. Over the past decade, there has been an explosion of indicators that measure governance... [read full article.](#)

[Revising PEFA Performance Measurement Framework](#), by Phil Sinnett, former Head of the PEFA Secretariat. In 2011, the PEFA partners agreed to undertake a comprehensive review of the Performance Management Framework. The twin objectives of this review are to enhance the relevance of the Framework while preserving comparability over time as far as possible... [read full article.](#)

[TADAT – A New Tool for Better Tax Administration](#), by David Kloeden, Head of the TADAT Secretariat. Tax collection is a central function of government, and weak tax administration can compromise development, growth, and trust in government. Like all government agencies, tax administrators face strong public demands for efficient service delivery... [read full article.](#)

## EIP News



Group, Paris, France

[The EIP at Mexico – What's New on the Use of Country Systems](#), article by Emilie Gay, CABRI

**17 July** – First virtual meeting of the EIP Advisory Group

**27 October** – Second Meeting of EIP Advisory

**28 - 29 October** – EIP Annual Meeting, Paris, France

**30 - 31 October** – The iChallenge Workshop, Paris, France

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## Mark your calendars!

### Recent:

**April 2014** – High Level Meeting of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation, Mexico City, Mexico. Find out more information [here.](#)

**23-26 June** – UNDESA, WBI, IDI and INTOSAI Joint Workshop on Innovations in Public Accountability, Seoul, Korea. Find out more information [here.](#)

### Upcoming:

**16-17 September** – 7th Meeting of the INTOSAI-Donor Steering Committee Cour des Comptes, Paris, France. Find out more information [here.](#)

## Focus on Country Level Innovations



### **[AfDB launches Africa Information Highway!](#)**

Africa's first "one-stop" data centre, the Africa Information Highway (AIH), was officially **launched** in February in Pretoria, South Africa, by the African Development Bank and currently includes 54 African countries. The AIH, which was conceptualised and developed by the African Development Bank's Statistics Department, is a revolutionary data

management and dissemination platform that will impact how data is collected, stored and ultimately used by anyone who accesses it...[read full article](#).

## New to the EIP Library



### **Books**

**World Bank study (2013):** *Financial Management Information Systems and Open Budget Data - Do Governments Report on Where the Money Goes?* (<http://dx.doi.org/10.1596/978-1-4648-0083-2>).

**Stephen P. Osborne and Louise Brown (2013)**, *Handbook of Innovation in Public Services*, DOI:10.4337/9781849809757, More Information: (<http://www.elgaronline.com/view/9781849809740.xml>).

### **Papers**

**Matthew Andrews et al. (2014)**, *This is PFM*, <http://www.hks.harvard.edu/centers/cid/publications/faculty-working-papers/this-is-pfm>.

**Badru Bukenya and Pablo Yanguas (2013)**, *Building State Capacity for Inclusive Development: The Politics of Public Sector Reform*, (<http://ssrn.com/abstract=2386743>).

**David Hulme, Antonio Savoia and Kunal Sen (2014)**, *Governance as a global development goal? Setting, measuring and monitoring the Post-2015 Development Agenda*, (<http://www.effective-states.org/working-paper-32/>).

**Jens Martens, Silja Dressel, Wolfgang Obenland, Conny Petzold (2014)**, *Turning public budgets towards sustainability, A guide to environmental-social budgeting*, download [here](#).

**24-26 September** – 10th Annual CABRI Seminar: Value for Money in Public Spending, Burkina Faso. Find more information [here](#).

**29-30 September** – Expert Meeting, Advisory Group for the Post-2015 Dialogue on "Helping to Strengthen Capacities and Build Effective Institutions", Germany. Find more information [here](#).

**2 October** – Towards a Global Parliamentarians Forum for Development Evaluation, Dublin, Ireland. Find more information [here](#).

**7-8 October** – UNDP International Symposium on Excellence in Public Administration, New Delhi, India.

**10-12 October** – Annual Meetings of the World Bank Group and IMF 2014, Washington DC, USA. Find more information [here](#).

**12-13 November** – The upcoming OECD/[OPSI](#) conference "Innovating the Public Sector: from Ideas to Impact" will bring together public sector practitioners, researchers, civil society and businesses to discuss how innovation can help solving today's complex challenges, Paris, France. Find more information [here](#).

## Suggestion Box

Your comments and suggestions are welcomed. If your organisation would like to contribute content or highlight upcoming news and events, don't hesitate to contact the EIP Secretariat.

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