

A Message from our Co-Chairs



Dear readers, As we come to the end of 2014, we reflect on progress achieved and the road still to be travelled in order to achieve our objectives as set out in the New Consensus on Effective Institutions. The Annual Meeting of the EIP agreed to pursue the development of [learning alliances](#) as an overall framework for the EIP going forward...[read full message](#).

Feature: Multi-stakeholder approaches to reforms



Entrepreneurial approaches to development, by David Booth, ODI. The need for institutional and policy reforms in developing countries is increasing all the time. Many more countries are experiencing sustained economic growth than 20 years ago, but too much current growth is 'jobless', with weak impacts on poverty... [read full article](#).

Enabling public sector reforms in the future: results from the joint EIP-UNDP (GCPSE) workshop, by Max Everest-Phillips. Excellent public services should be right at the heart of international development. Despite our significant investment in strengthening our public sectors, still many questions remain. In particular: Are we getting our public sector reforms right? What makes a public sector or service reform effective? Is public service excellence possible?...[read full article](#).

EIP News



Pilot Learning Alliance: Supreme Audit Institutions and Citizen Engagement. A first Learning Alliance workshop was held in October, back-to-back with the EIP annual meeting, on the theme of *Supreme audit institutions (SAIs) and citizen engagement*. The Learning Alliance brought together 7 SAIs with CSOs and representatives of development agencies to identify and share good practices on citizen engagement with SAIs...[read full article](#).

Results from the iChallenge Workshop. Following the EIP Annual Meeting, the World Bank, who is championing Pillar II of the EIP on Indicators of Success, hosted a two-day iChallenge workshop at the OECD Conference Center in Paris, France. The workshop marked the culmination of the iChallenge competition - an initiative to crowd source ideas for indicators to measure government capacity and performance...[read full article](#).

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Video 1: [What is the Effective Institutions Platform and what makes it different?](#)

Video 2: [Towards Learning Alliances on Public Sector Reform: value of peer to peer exchanges in fostering change](#)

Video 3: [Why Using Country Systems Matters for Development Impact](#)

Video 4: [Bringing Citizens into the Equation: exploring innovations in how accountability institutions engage with citizens](#)

[Using domestic revenue to build democracy](#) (Blog post by Peter Moors, Director General for Belgian Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid)

[Value for Money in Public Spending](#) (Blog post by Philipp Krause, ODI)

[Knowledge Hubs for Public Sector Reform](#) (Interview of EIP Co-Chair Neil Cole on fostering peer learning in Africa)

Focus on Country Level Innovations



Moving towards country-led and country specific measurement of Public Financial Management systems, blog by Emilie Gay, CABRI. The Global Partnership, which governs how development cooperation should operate, is grounded in fundamental principles. Transparency and Accountability, Focus on Results, Inclusive Development Partnerships, Ownership of development

priorities by partner countries - these are ambitious principles to enact in practice given the persisting operating traditions of the development community...[read full article](#).

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Francis Fukuyama (2014): *Political Order and Political Decay*. [Link](#)

Brian Levy (2014): *Working with the Grain: Integrating Governance and Growth in Development Strategies*. [Link](#)

Inter-American Development Bank (2014): *Governing to Deliver: Reinventing the Center of Government in Latin America and the Caribbean*. [Link](#)

Papers

Niels Keijzer (2014), *Reforming the Hand that Feeds You? Managing Capacity Development Support in Cambodia and Malawi*. [Link](#)

Martin Acht, Toman Omar Mahmoud, Rainer Thiele (2014) *Corrupt Governments Receive Less State-to-State Aid: Governance and the Delivery of Foreign Aid through Non-State Actors*, *Journal of Development Economics*. [Link](#)

Fjelstad, O.H. (2014), *Tax and Development: Donor support to strengthen tax systems in developing countries*. [Link](#)

Repucci, S. (2014), *Designing effective Civil Service Reform lessons from past experience*. [Link](#)

Mark your calendars!

Recent:

29-30 September 2014 – Post-2015 Experts Meeting on Strengthening Capacities and Building Effective Institutions, Germany. Find out more information [here](#).

7-8 October 2014 - International Symposium on Excellence in Public Administration/Public Service, India. Find out more information [here](#).

11-12 December 2014 – Symposium on Anti-Corruption Development Assistance: Good Practices among Providers of Development Cooperation, France. Find out more information [here](#).

Upcoming:

25-26 February – Post-2015 Final Meeting on Strengthening Capacities and Building Effective Institutions, Moldova. Find out more information [here](#).

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