What does the OECD do in public governance?

- Observatory of Public Sector Innovation
- Open government and transparency
- Evidence – based policy making
- Integrity and anti-corruption
- Performance and accountability
- Regulatory frameworks for promoting growth
- Innovation and performance of justice and regulatory institutions
- New rural paradigm and regional innovation
OECD Governance Tools

1. Standards and instruments
2. Evidence and benchmarks
3. Taylor made policy advice and solutions
4. Policy dialogue
5. Capacity building and implementation
OECD Evidence-based approach

- Governance Indicators (Government at a Glance)
- Country surveys, databases and analytical reports
- Public Budgeting Database;
- Regulatory Indicators;
- State of the Public Service: Comparison of employment in the public domain (CEPD);
- Established Peer Review methodology and country networks
- Drawing on resources across OECD directorates: Economics, Employment, Social Affairs, Enterprise, Environment, Health, Education etc.
Tailored policy advice and dialogue

**Governance Peers Reviews**
- Horizontal governance reviews (France, Poland, Ireland, Finland, Estonia)
  - A whole of government approach
  - Comprehensive view of reforms
- Sectoral reviews (Brazil, US, Mexico)
  - Human resources
  - Budgeting
  - E-government
  - Integrity
  - Regulatory Reform
- Territorial Development reviews
  - Urban and rural

**Policy dialogue**
- Access to networks of officials in OECD countries
- Global Forum on Public Governance
- Meetings at Ministerial Level

**Capacity building & implementation**
- Advisory sessions
- Peer-to-peer workshops
- Study visits
- Reform roadmaps: sequencing and staged implementation
What is an OECD Public Governance Review?

Systematic, comprehensive, strategic perspective on how government is performing.

Diagnosis, analysis, assessment, and recommendations adjusted to the country’s context.

Advice on the construction of an implementation roadmap for governance reform.
What is an OECD Public Governance Review?

A PGR can provide unexpected but necessary insights into the real issues that are blocking progress, and issues of possible future concern.

In helping the government to set, steer and deliver a strategic vision and priority policies.

In the implementation of structural reforms.

In the delivery of high quality and timely public services which meet the needs of citizens and businesses.
Can a Public Governance Review support growth and competitiveness?

A Public Governance Review can also make a significant contribution to growth and competitiveness objectives...

- A more efficient public service can cut the cost of delivering public services, helping to deliver more for less.
- More efficient and effective services to business, together with stronger regulatory governance, can boost business competitiveness.
- Reforms to budget management and processes can set a stronger framework for public finances, boosting investor and market confidence.
- Structural reforms to the economy (such as product market reforms) may be blocked because of inadequate capacities of the public administration to deliver these reforms.
Public Governance Review
Methodology

- Partnership with the requesting country
- Tailored to the country’s institutional, cultural, policy context
- Engages all relevant actors, outside as well as within the public administration

- Set in an international comparative perspective
- Peer reviewers and experts from other countries also contribute
- Led and facilitated by an expert OECD team

- Peer review procedure in Public Governance Committee
- Concrete deliverables—capacity building, implementation and evaluation workshops, diagnostics, in depth analytical reports
Public Governance Reviews (So far...)

• Ireland (2008)
• Finland (2009-2010)
• Estonia (2010)
• France (2011)
• Slovenia (2011)
• Poland (2011-ongoing)
• Colombia (2012-ongoing)
• Kazahkstan (2012-ongoing)
MENA-OECD Initiative on Governance and Investment for Development

Demand driven, owned and led by the MENA region

Regional experts, Working Groups and Task Forces co-chaired by MENA countries

Policy dialogue and peer learning and advice

Three-track approach

Regional dimension

Country specific projects

Multi-country projects
**Implementation Structure of MENA-OECD Initiative**

**Steering Group**
- Strategic planning and supervision of activities

**Working Groups**
- Regional policy dialogue on Civil Service and Integrity; open and e-Government; Administrative Simplification; Budgeting; Regulatory Reform; PPPs

**Focus Groups**
- Mainstream cross-cutting policy issues (gender equality; territorial development) in the regional policy dialogue

**Regional Centres**
- Provide training and capacity building and foster the regional policy dialogue.
Thank you!
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