

IMT-GT
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IMT-GT Implementation Blueprint
2012-2016
- Concept, Principles and Process -

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Presentation Outline

- How the IB differs from the Roadmap
- Basic assumptions underlying the IB
- Guiding Principles
- Criteria for Project Inclusion
- Working Mechanisms and Timeframes

The Concept of an IB

Roadmap

- sets vision, mission, goals and strategies
- indicative rather than definitive
- Accompanied by an Action Plan that lists programs and projects for attaining goals; generally at concept stage

Blueprint

- Operationalizes the Action Plan
- Details activities to be undertaken by each project on a yearly basis
- Secures firm financing commitment

Basic Assumptions

- The IB derives from vision, mission and strategies of the Roadmap that continue to be relevant
- Sector strategies adopted by the MTR can still be refined and will serve as the basis for project formulation; strategy gaps if any will be addressed by further analytical work
- The subregional projects in the IB must go hand-in-hand with measures at the national level.
- Monitoring must not be only on the progress of implementation but also on the results. Implies the need for financial commitment and clear accountabilities.

Guiding Principles

- Connectivity (both hardware and software) should be the overarching objective of the IB, consistent with the growth area model of subregional cooperation.
- The 12 flagship programs shall anchor the other areas of cooperation in the IB. To the extent possible, linkages across sectors should be defined to create greater synergies.
- There should be a balance in the mix of projects that promote economic and social objectives.
- Projects in the IB should be subregional projects (i.e., involving at least two countries); or national projects with subregional implications, or that can benefit from subregional synergies.
- The IB should serve to catalyze investments from the private sector, including from small and medium enterprises.

Guidelines for Project Inclusion (1)

Projects to be included in the IB will be guided by a set of criteria at two levels --- the Action Plan Matrix (APM) and the two-year rolling plan:

For the APM, the following requirements must be met:

- a well-prepared project concept, indicating the objectives, scope, intended outputs and outcomes in relation to a program or sector-wide strategy;
- estimated cost
- identified sources of financing
- identification of responsible implementing agenc(ies)

Guidelines for Project Inclusion (2)

For the IB's rolling pipeline, the following additional requirements must be met:

- A operational plan indicating the activities to be implemented on a yearly basis until the project completion year
- Secured financing from domestic or external sources
- A results monitoring framework
- For infrastructure projects, a pre-feasibility study is required

Key Elements to be included in the IB Document

- A restatement of the IMT-GT's vision, mission, goals and strategic thrusts in the context of emerging challenges in the regional and global environment;
- Description of the sector strategies
- An Action Plan matrix, consisting of projects formulated on the basis of sector strategies
- A two-year operational business plan, indicating the yearly timetable of activities for each project, and the corresponding resource commitment;
- A results-based monitoring framework; this will require detailed information on outputs, outcomes and impact at the project level.

IB Timelines: 2012-2016

IB Year	0	1	2	3	4	5
Year	2011 Planning	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1st RP		2012	2013			
2nd RP			2013	2014		
3rd RP				2014	2015	
4th RP					2015	2016

Timeframe for IB Formulation: January-October 2011

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct
Agreement on concept & processes	Yellow									
NS-internal discussions; awareness building, organizing internal teams		Yellow								
Refinement or formulation of sector strategies; dissemination			Yellow							
Working group meetings, including with local govts and private sector;				Yellow	Yellow					
Preparation of profiles and operating plans; submission by end May				Checkerboard	Checkerboard					
Preliminary consolidation and drafting by CIMT/ADB and discussion at special SOM by end June						Yellow				
Refinements, validation, packaging, including further country consultations as needed							Orange	Orange		
Consolidation & drafting by CIMT and ADB; circulation to the NS for review and comments									Orange	
Endorsement by 18 th SOM/MM										Orange

Thank You!

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