

Developing a Robust System of Data Collection

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Background

- Substantial improvement in data collection for IGFR mechanisms consistent with constitutional requirements, w.r.t
 - the Bill of Rights
 - CMBS
 - Sec. 214 a) to J)
- A need by the FFC to make informed recommendations and proposals with respect to allocations addresses all Constitutional rights (interesting but not useful)
- Accountability: PFMA-shift from input based to output based budgeting
- Alignment of Stats Supply with the IGFR's MTEF, Electoral Cycles (input data requirement schedule)



Principles of a Robust Data and Information System

1. Policy Objectives (Constitution)

- To provide basic services for all by category of spending
- Increase the number of intermediary requirements (trained teachers)
- Provide the basic environment for such services (build more classrooms for schools)

2. Policy Targets (Progressive realization of CMBS, Norms and Standards)

a) Primary Targets

Increase enrolment figures by $x\%$ in 2000

b) Secondary Targets (environment)

Increase provisioning of schools by building $x\%$ to accommodate the increase enrolment by 2000

c) Intermediary Targets (enablers, CB)

Train $x\%$ of new teachers over 5 years to meet the demand for increased enrolment

3. Policy Instruments (legal enabling foundation, Means Test)

- New legislation or regulation or legal framework
- Institutional Instrument e.g set up agency/commission
- Administrative Instruments/decrees/rules/powers and function

4. Monitoring Performance

- Dev. Of Indices to measure and cost the Cons. Rights to be progressively realized



Advisories and recommendations

- Review relevant statistical data outputs for alignment with the IGFR, Electoral cycle, requirements and needs. Alignment of data production cycle with IGFR processes
 - Alignment of data variables with B.O.R
 - Alignment/repackaging of data categories in line with policy objectives
 - Where is the poverty line?
- Building of a Robust system to fully account for B.O.R and a-j within the Fiscal constraint

(A CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATE)

The beginning

“A Means to an End, but not an
End on its Own”



A Robust System: How Robust?

PROGRESSIVE REALISATION

PRIORITISATION

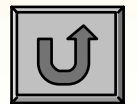
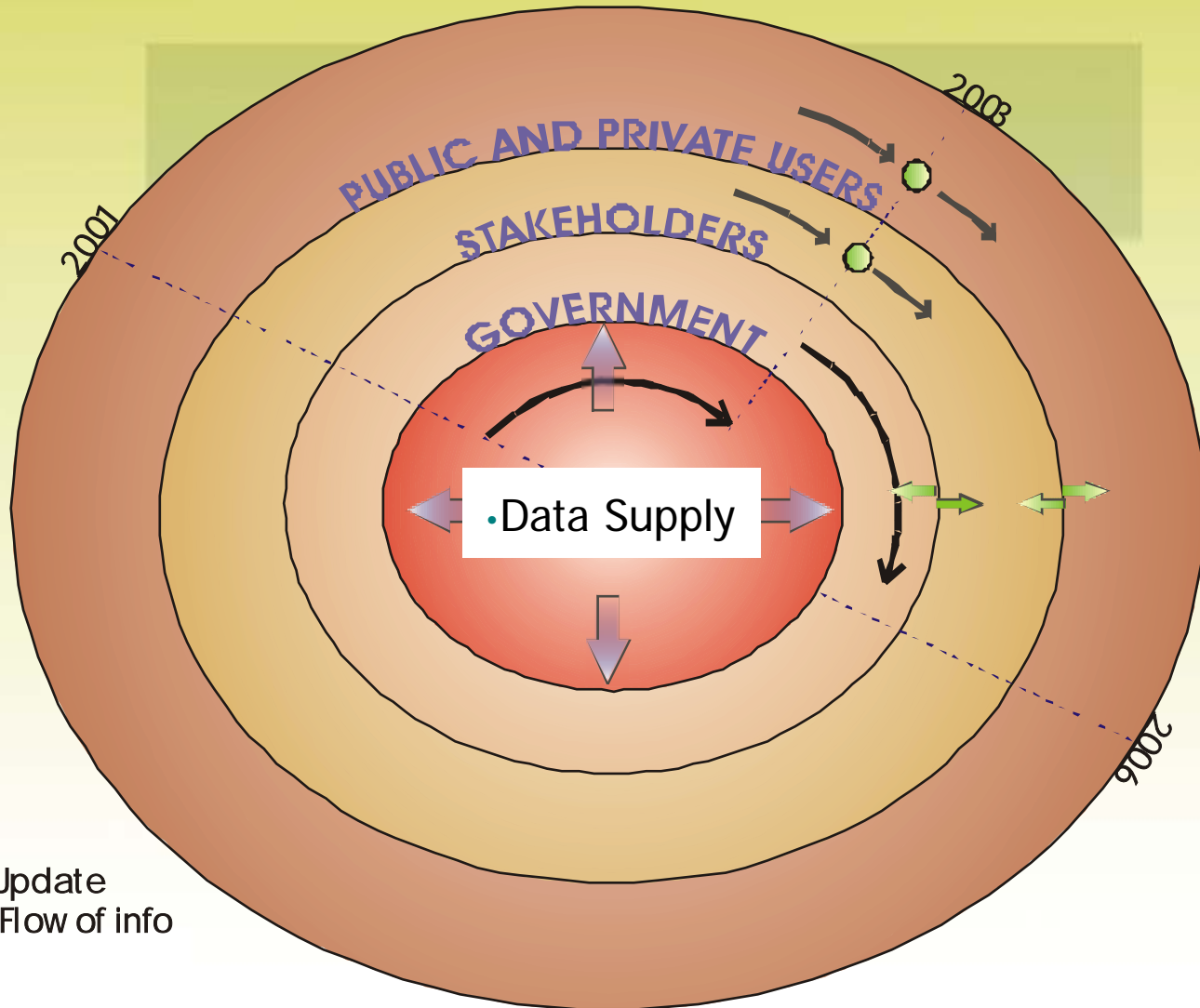
FISCAL CONSTRAINTS

LEGISLATURE: NORMS AND STANDARDS

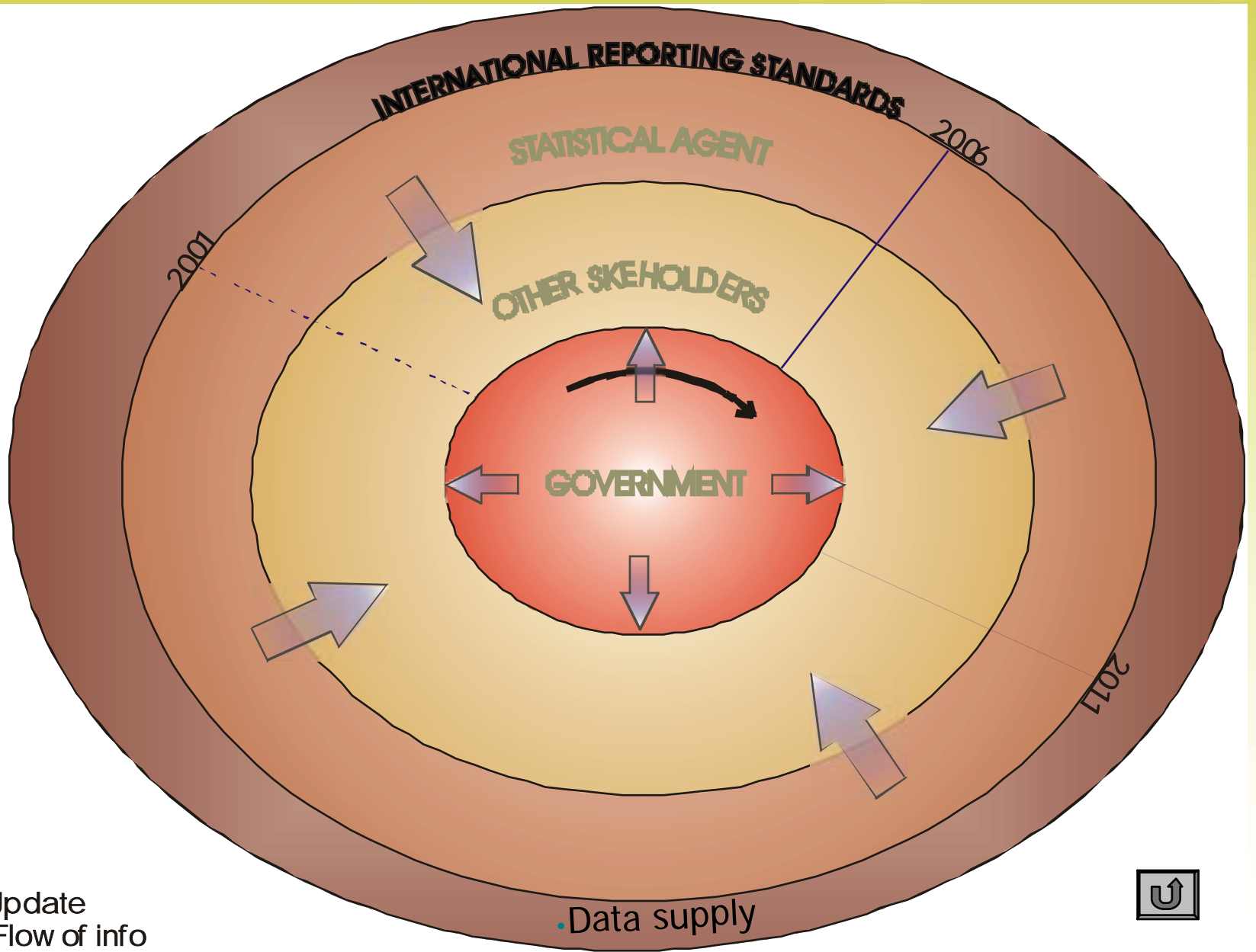
CONSTITUTION: BILL OF RIGHTS

• Robust Data System

CURRENT ARRANGEMENT



LONG TERM



Update
Flow of info

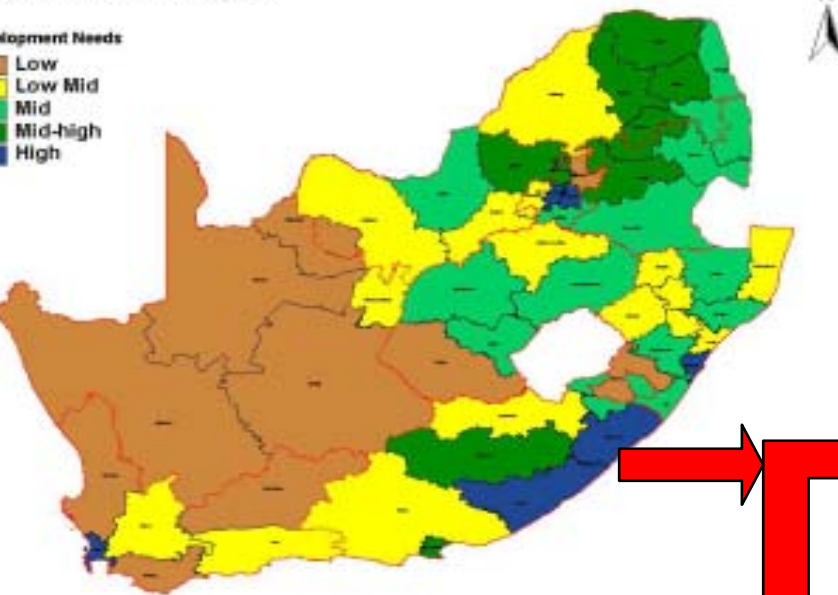
Data supply



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Development Needs

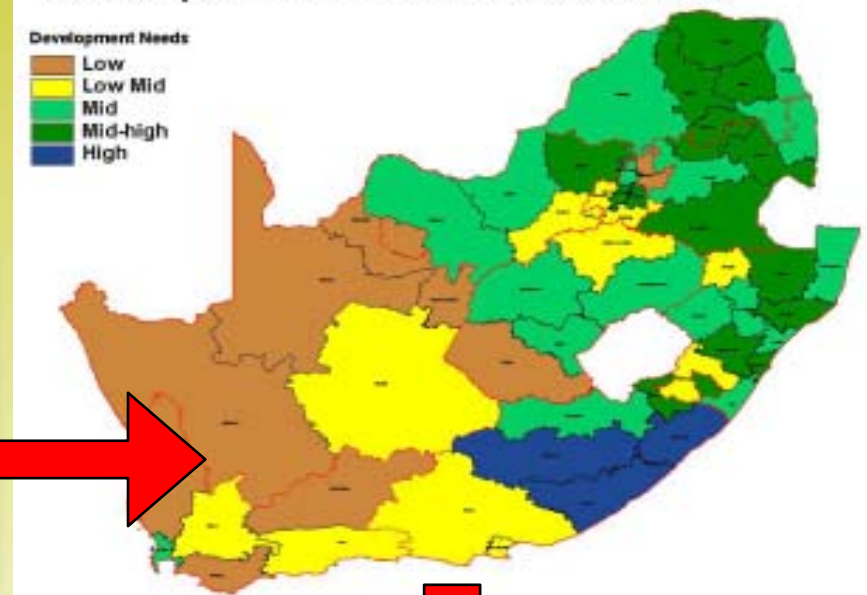
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- Mid
- Mid-high
- High



1996 Composite social and Service Needs Index

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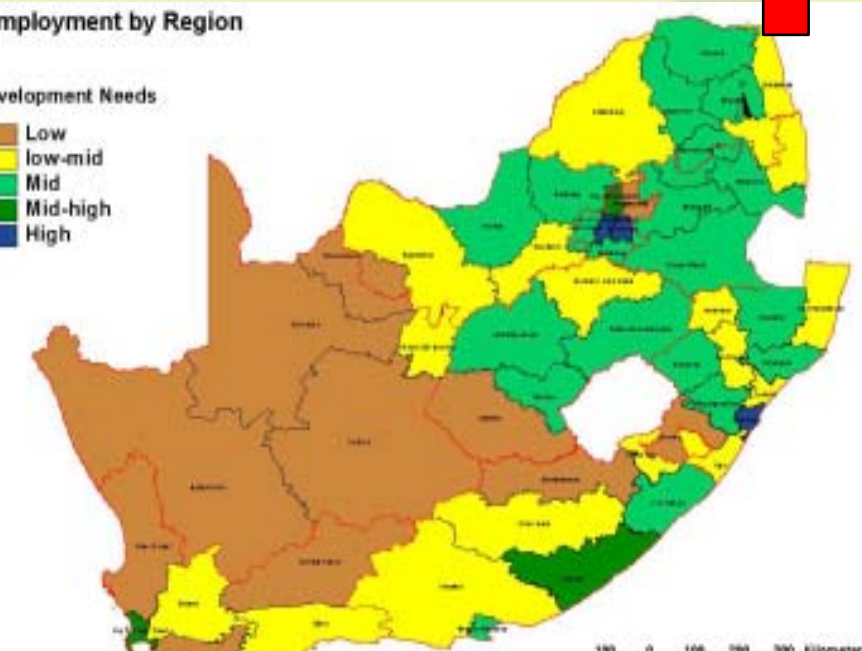


Progress Realization

Employment by Region

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