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e-Participation Experience in Chinese Taipei

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Opening Remarks

- Since 2004, Chinese Taipei has been listed among the top 3 in the global e-government rankings conducted by Brown University of the U.S.
- The e-vision in 2020:
 From e-government to e-governance
- Presentation Structure
 - Part I: Introduction of
 - Taiwan e-Governance Research Center
 - Part II: e-Participation cases in Chinese Taipei





Part I

Introduction of Taiwan e-Governance Research Center











At-A-Glance

- The Taiwan e-Governance Research Center (TEG) was established in 2007, with support from the Research, Development and Evaluation Commission (RDEC).
- The TEG's goal is to develop policy guidelines to further e-government program.
- The TEG aims to be an international center to share knowledge and database of e-governance.





Mission

The TEG aims to

- Combine theories with reality to provide a perspective on e-governance development;
- Cooperate with international scholars and institutions to advance e-government and diffuse know-how of e-governance;
- Build a knowledge database for e-governance issues and integrate a one-stop online resource;
- Develop a cross-country e-governance framework to provide advice in evaluating e-governance development worldwide.





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Current Projects

- The Vision of e-Government in 2020: An Application of Scenario Planning
- A Panel Study on the Effectiveness of e-Governance
- A Study on Government IT Workforce and Budgeting Management—Status Quo, Challenges, and Solutions
- Adaptation of Governing Relationship in Electronic Government
- Cost Benefit Analysis of e-Governance





Part II

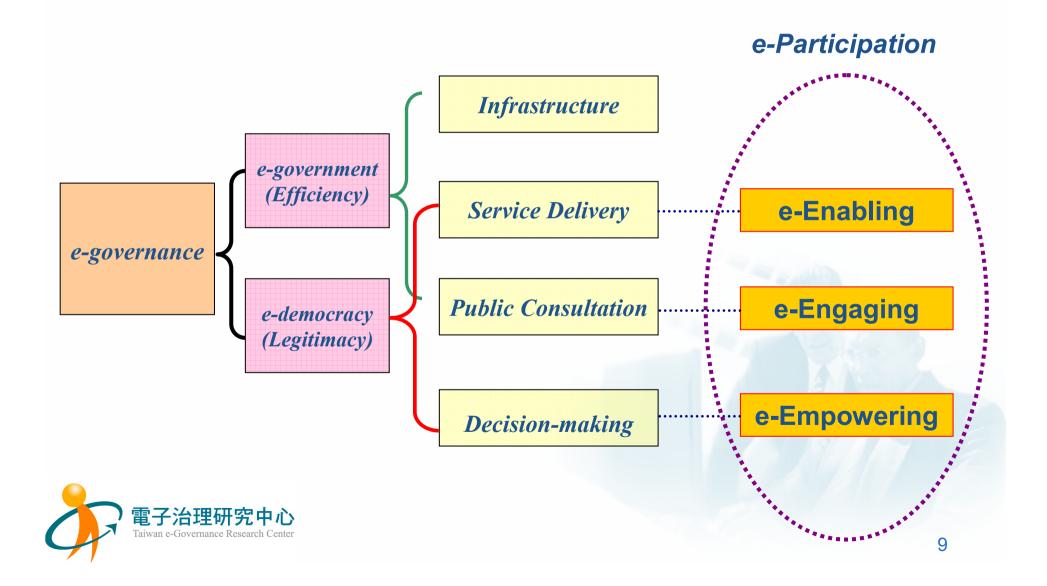
e-Participation Cases in Chinese Taipei

- 1. Taipei City Mayor's E-mail Box (TCME)
- 2. RDEC National Policy Think Tank Online





What is e-Participation?





Case I: e-Participation at Municipal Level

Taipei City Mayor's E-mail Box (TCME)





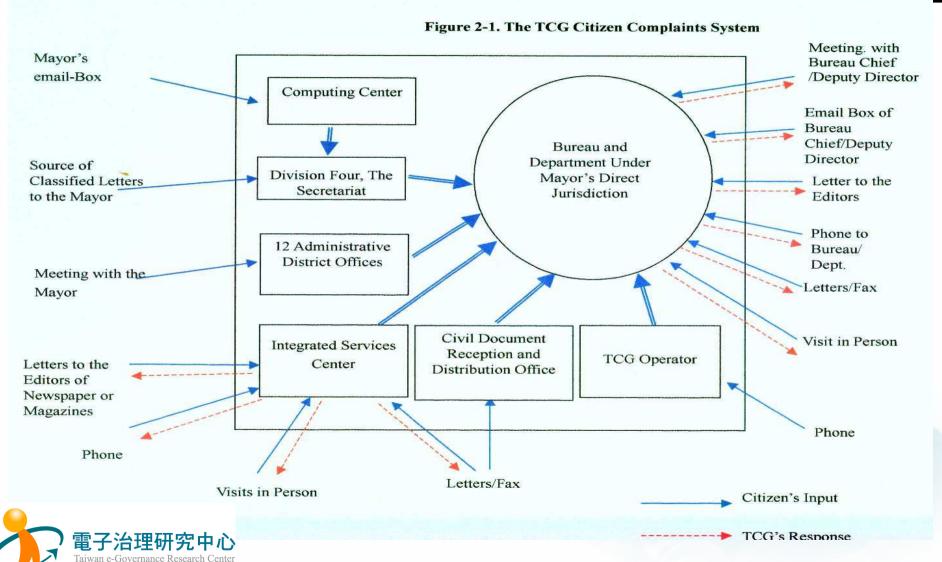
Background of TCME

- Democratization, 1st Mayor General Election at 1994
- Responsiveness
- New Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)
- Citizen Complaints Handling Mechanism
- Taipei City Mayor's E-mail Box (TCME)





The TCG Citizen Complaints System





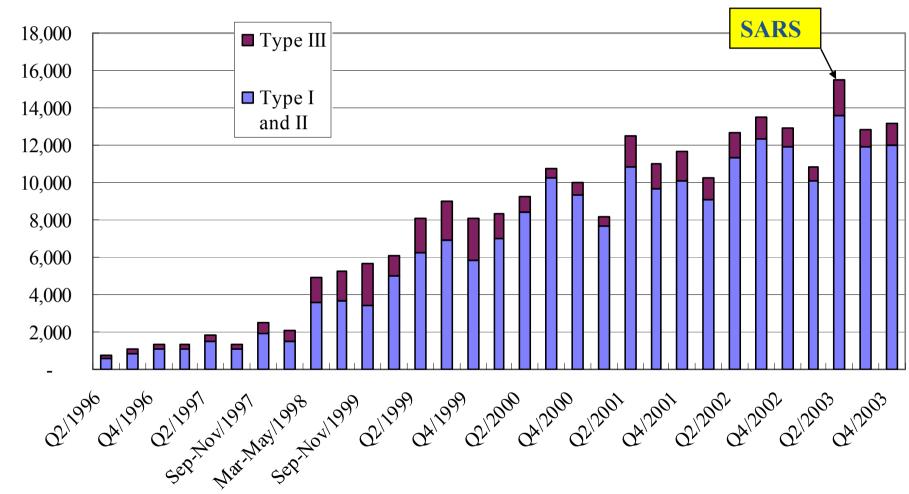
Citizen Complaints Procedure and Media

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Media Procedures	Letter / Fax	Phone	Visit in Person	E-mail	Letter to Newspap er	Total (monitored)	Total% (monitored%)
BD ^a	1156	1236	111		82	2585	21.12%
DD	(1034)	(51)	(5)		(5)	(1095)	(15.11%)
APPBD ^b			113			113	0.92%
APPDD			(33)			(33)	(0.46%)
EDDIANC	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000			1290		1290	10.54%
EBDMX ^c				(605)		(605)	(8.35%)
TCME				4080		4048	33.33%
TCIVIL				(3879)		(3879)	(53.54%)
CL ^e	1109	571	91		77	1911	15.61%
CL	(740)	(113)	(18)		(1)	(872)	(12.04%)
MM ^f			483			483	3.95%
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ISC ^g	680	691	136		273	1780	14.54%
1SC°	(246)	(243)	(60)		(180)	(729)	(10.06%)
Total	3005	2498	937	5370	432	12242	100%
(monitored)	(2020)	(407)	(148)	(4484)	(186)	(7245)	(100%)
Total0/	24.55%	20.41%	7.65%	43.87%	3.53%	100%	Ratio of
Total%	(27.88%)	(5.62%)	(2.04%)	(61.89%)	(2.57%)	(100%)	monitored
(monitored%)							59.18%





TCME Processed E-mails and Trends







TCME Performance Measures from External Customer's Perspective

	2 nd C	uarter of	2001	2 nd Quarter of 2002			3 rd Quarter of 2002		
TCME Performance Measures	Satisfied / Very Satisfied	Dis- satisfied / Very Dis- satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied / Very Satisfied	Dis- satisfied / Very Dis- satisfied	Neutral	Satisfied / Very Satisfied	Dis- satisfied / Very Dis- satisfied	Neutral
As an effective communicati on channel	82.2% (208)	8.7% (22)	9.1% (23)	77.6% (548)	13.7% (87)	8.6% (61)	82.4% (365)	10.1% (45)	7.4% (33)
Overall satisfaction	32.8% (83)	41.1% (104)	26.1% (66)	37% (261)	38.9% (275)	23.9% (169)	39.3% (274)	34.7% (154)	26% (115)
(1) Extent complaints resolved	32.9% (79)	55.4% (133)	11.7% (28)	33.3% (241)	47.3% (313)	15.4% (109)	41% (171)	44.1% (184)	14.9% (62)
(2) Time efficiency to be resolved	59.4% (149)	22.3% (46)	18.3% (56)	61.2% (432)	17.8% (126)	20.9% (148)	65% (288)	17.3% (77)	17.6% (78)
(3) Service attitudes	64.7% (163)	19.5% (49)	15.8% (40)	66.8% (471)	20.1% (142)	13% (92)	68.5% (304)	17.6% (78)	14% (62)
Valid N	- Company	253			707			444	

Source: Chen and Hsiao, 2001; Hsiao et al., 2002





Perceived Usefulness of FAQ

	2 nd Quarter of 2002			3 rd Quarter of 2002		
	Satisfied / Very Satisfied	Dissatisfied / Very Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied / Very Satisfied	Dissatisfied / Very Dissatisfied	Neutral
(1) Extent to which	21 20/	20.0%	47 00/	26.70/	10.20/	44.00/
FAQ helps resolving complaints	(21)	20.9%	47.8% (32)	36.7% (18)	18.3%	(22)
(2) Extent to which FAQ helps	45.1%	8.1%	46.7%	52.1%	9.1%	38.8%
understand public affairs	(101)	(20)	(115)	(86)	(15)	(64)
(3) Friendliness of FAQ Web-based interface	47.2% (116)	5.3% (13)	47.6% (117)	43.9% (72)	7.3% (12)	48.8% (80)

Source: Hsiao et al., 2002





Internal Customer's Viewpoint: NGT Results

QUESTION: TCME users usually complain about the system "not solving the problem," what are the reasons behind these complaints?

Rank	Answers	Vote (N)	Vote (%)
1	Citizen with illegal demands	20	37.7%
2	Citizen with "unrealistic expectations"	10	18.9%
3	Citizen not understand the situation well	10	18.9%
4	Can't alter government's policies	9	17.1%
5	Respondents are not front-line law enforcers	2	3.7%
6	Effecting people's interest	2	3.7%
7	Unclear contents, hard to reply	0	0.0%
Total		53	100.0





Conclusion

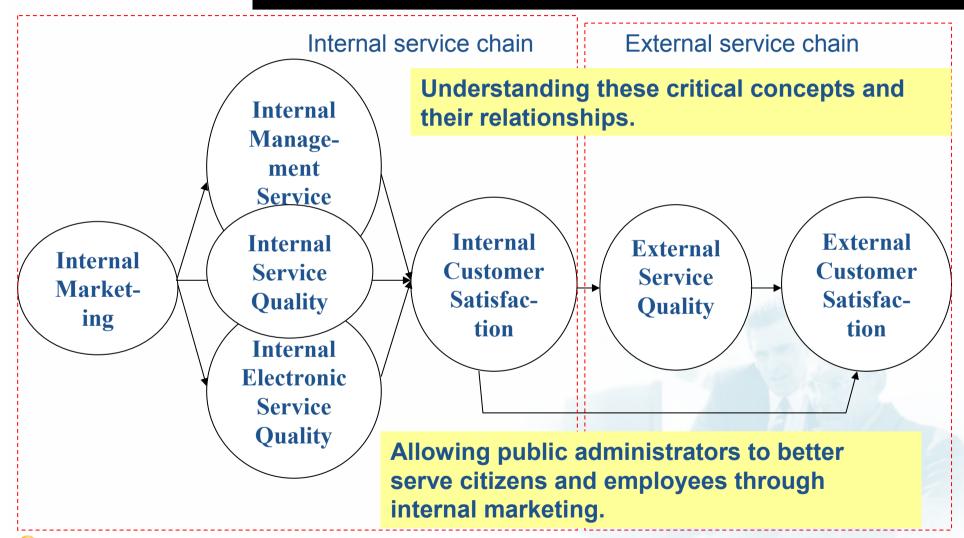
- ICT and citizen participation: reduces costs to "entry", increase workload of the public sector
- The problem of consumer's satisfaction: FAQ, data mining, digital divide, CRM
- The problem of problem solving: public managers vs. politicians, internal customer's satisfaction





Further Research

Exploring Internal and External Service Chains of Electronic Government Services







Case II: e-Participation at National Level

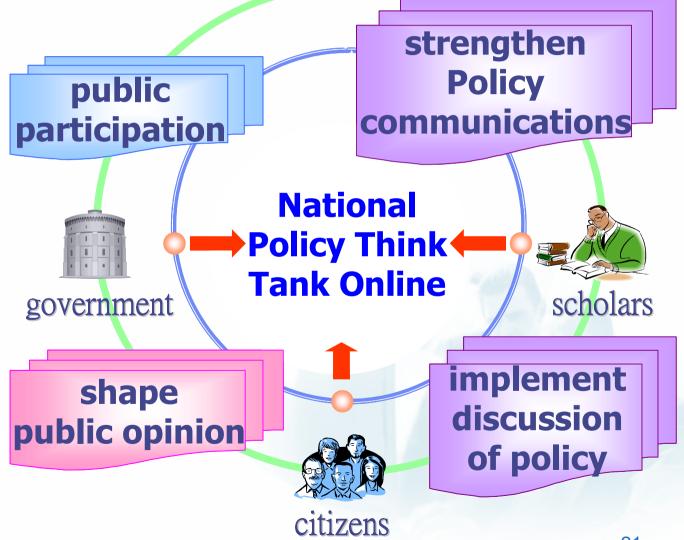
RDEC National Policy Think Tank Online





National Policy Think Tank Online

Goals







National Policy Think Tank Online

Strategy for Promotion

- System construction
- Lectures on operations
- System maintenance operations
- Competitions
- Special Topic Forums





National Policy Think Tank Online

Status of Promotions

- Dec. 2006: Completion of the system.
- **Sept. 2006**: Held nine workshops with over 600 staff in attendance.
- As of Feb. 2008: Posted information on websites, including 240 policy reports, 181 policy discussion forums, 39 national pitch forums.





Thanks for your Attentions



