

Taking a holistic Approach to Digitalization of Civil Registration, Vital Statistics and Identity System

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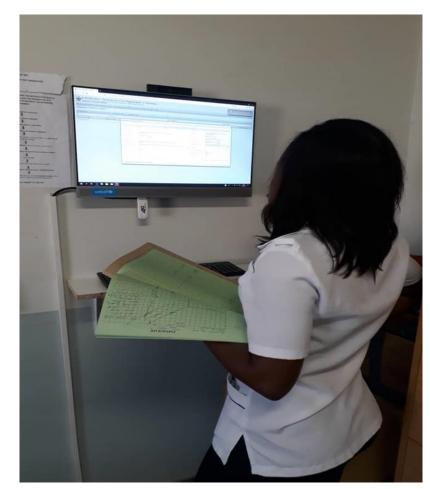
Is digitalization the silver bullet to resolving the global Identity challenge?

Guiding Principles for Design of Inclusive and holistic CRVS and ID Systems

UN Definition:

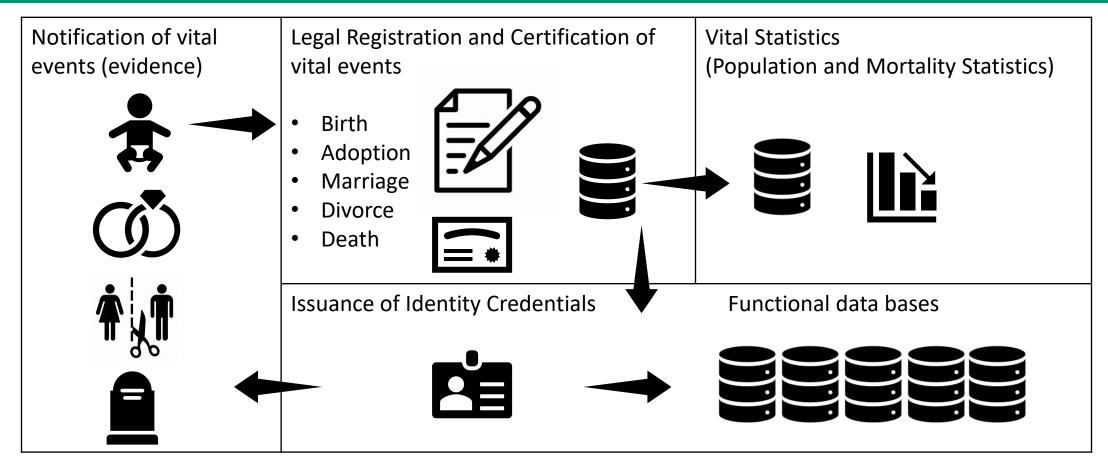
The **continuous**, **permanent**, **compulsory** and **universal** recording of the occurrence and characteristics of vital events

- Other key principles: "Timely", "accurate", "trustworthy" and "Confidential"
- A well-functioning CR system is the ultimate source for:
 - production of vital statistics
 - ▶ foundational for many functional databases in terms of identity authentication, and sharing of vital events, relating to the individuals, or individuals immediate family.
- A holistic approach is fundamentally considering above principles, and its link to rights, governance and service delivery.





Foundational versus functional registers Design of holistic eco-systems for identity management and vital statistics



Different schools of thought in terms of registration of legal identity and issuance of identity credentials in countries with low birth and death registration rates

Reform Initiatives

Production of Vital Statistics

Case Management/Service Delivery

Digitalisation

Human Resources/Capacity

Collaboration and Interoperability

Organisational Structure – Accessibility

Legislation (delegation, Processes, confidentiality/datasharing)

Political will, vision, multi-sectoral strategy



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- Continuous?
- Universal?
- Compulsory?
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Namibia: Step by Step Approach – Evidence/validation

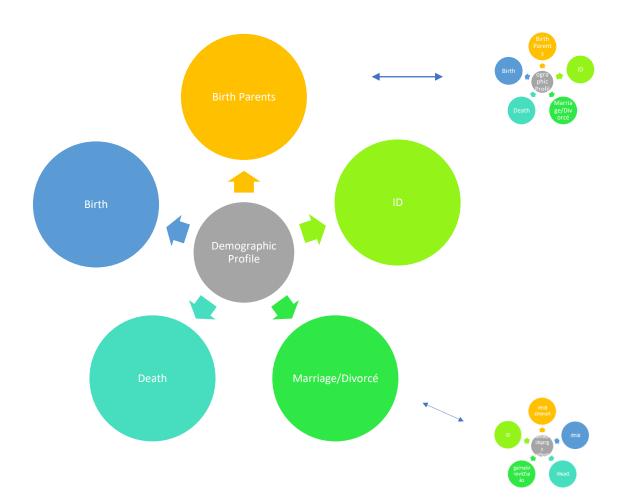
Central Register: Life cycle approach for establishing unique and trustworthy identity/identity data

Notification (generating evidence and data)

e-birth notification

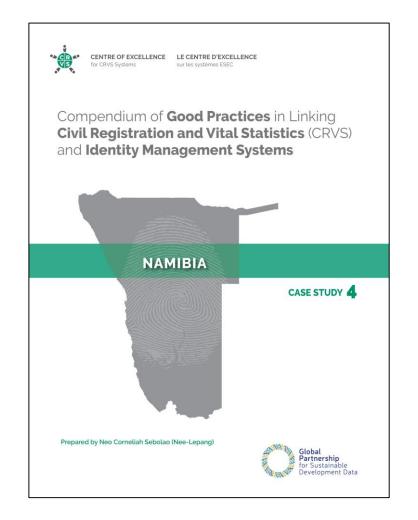
e-death notification

ID card track and trace System



Key principles for digitalisation: http://www.crvs-dgb.org/en/

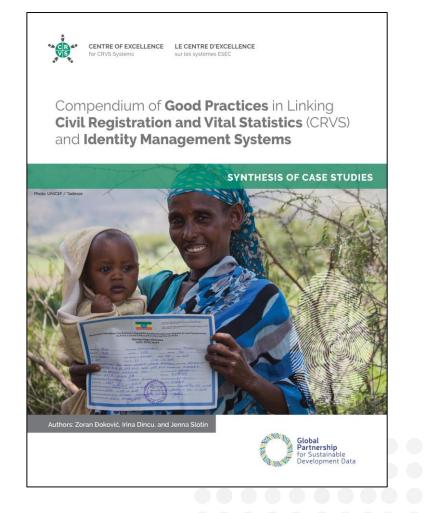
ICT as enabler	
Solution must be appropriate to country context	Namibia: Spoke to the core mandate and functions of the department, with input from key stakeholders
Smart Implementation	
Deployed taking into account reality and capacity	Namibia: Step-by-step approach
Strong Governance	Namibia:
Clear and appropriate governance rules	Clear roles and responsibilities of the Department, internal IT, and developer





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