



Monitoring and Evaluation – Budget Support Ensuring Quality

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Why Focus on Budget Support

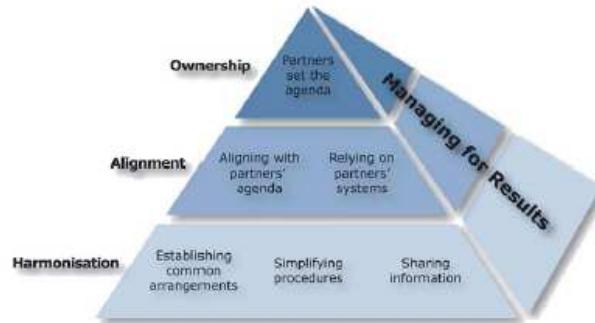
- Budget Support has become an important modality for development cooperation in the last decade.
- Different types of budget support:
 - Pooled funding for sector support involving donors, Multilateral Development Banks and the new vertical funds such as in the health sector;
 - General budget support with pooled funding;
 - Pooled funding for regional organisations Programme Based Approaches
- Budget Support has a different basis for accountability than project support.



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Aid Effectiveness and Managing for Development Results



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Why do we monitor or evaluate?



Accountability
Results
Learning
Improved Quality



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Purposes of Monitoring/Joint Monitoring



- To provide information and input to Partner Governments and delegations on performance and progress.
- To provide information to EU HQ on performance and progress which can be shared with the Parliament, Member States and other donors.
- To support the PCM cycle; to enhance the quality of programming and to support the dissemination of lessons learned and sharing of experience.
- Differences between project approach and Budget Support



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The Results Chain

Evaluation Criteria

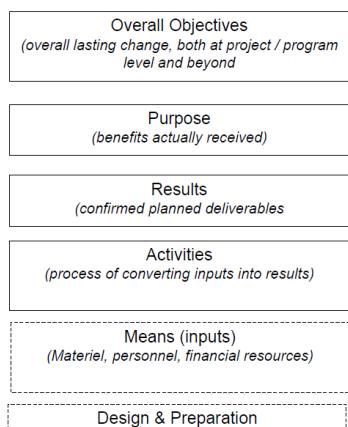
Impact & Sustainability links: (depend on wide assumptions made and on outside conditions)

Effectiveness links: (depend on assumptions made and on outside conditions)

Efficiency links: from means through activities to results

Relevance to the identified problems or real needs to be addressed

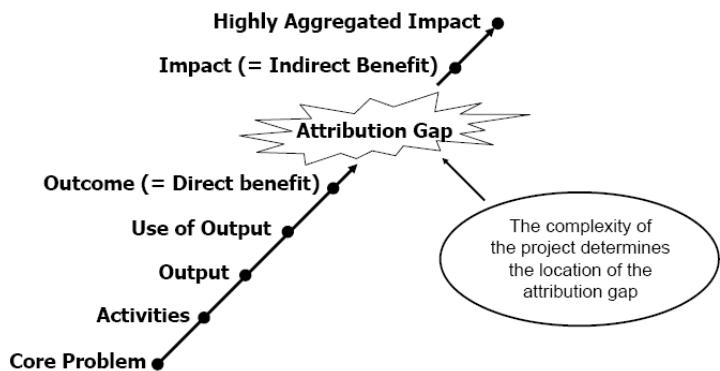
LogFrame Levels



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The Attribution Gap



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“Accountability and Measuring Results of Budget Support”

- (1) There are financial criteria for eligibility for Budget Support and there are various tools and approaches. There are the Public Expenditure Public Expenditure Financial Accountability Frameworks (PEFAS). As of April 2010 there were Public Financial Management (PFM) Performance Measurement Frameworks completed in 176 countries. Another tool is the Public Expenditure Tracking Surveys (PETS).
- (2) There is reporting on macroeconomic stability
- (3) Accountability is focused on achieving results and specifically outcomes



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“How does it work in theory?

- (1) PEFA to determine eligibility
- (2) Macroeconomic Stability criteria and reporting
- (3) Focus on Results Frameworks (Matrices) or Performance Assessment Frameworks
- (4) National systems to be used for Monitoring and Evaluation



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“How does it work in practice?

- (1) Are PEFA PFM PMFs supplemented by other tools such as PETS sufficient?
- (2) Experience with macroeconomic stability
- (3) Results Frameworks (Matrices) or Performance Assessment Frameworks (PAF): How is it working?
- (4) Are national systems used for monitoring and evaluation?



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“How does it work in practice?

- (1) Are PEFA's PFM PMFs supplemented by other tools such as PETS sufficient?
- (2) Macroeconomic stability reporting?



What is the experience?



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“How does it work in practice?

Conditionality on Results (Objectively Verifiable Indicators (OVIs), Results Matrices, Performance Assessment Frameworks.

What is the experience?



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“How does it work in practice?

Are national systems for monitoring and evaluation used?



What is the experience?



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Lessons

1. Strengthening of financial accountability and public expenditure management.
2. Be careful and realistic in setting targets for results.
3. There needs to be real partnership in setting results targets.



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Lessons

4. Technical assistance and capacity building on OVI/ results frameworks/PAFs
5. Sharing of experience sharing and lessons learned.
6. Improved process for reviewing results indicators



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