



# **Government of Jamaica GovNet Jamaica Initiative**

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### **Outline**

Jamaica's National ICT Strategy Update

Brief on GovNet Jamaica Initiative





## **National ICT Strategy** Update 2006

- Update is underway; to be completed by end of November 2006
- All work being structured by best practices framework which link:
  - Policies → Strategies → Projects/Programmes/Inititiatives → Measures → Targets





### **Key National ICT Projects**

- **GovNet Jamaica**
- E-Governance Framework
- Further work on GoJ Web Standards
  - Training, Templates, Monitoring, Testing, Compliance certification
- **FOSS Pilot**
- Information & Records Management
- Common E-Government Services Portal





## - GovNet Jamaica -

- Essential enabler for the implementation joined-up government and one stop, non-stop e-government services, and national portal.
- Full range of digital services:
  - voice, data, video, email/collaborative tools and Internet access.
- Application services
  - G2G: HR, Payroll, Financial
  - G2C/B: full suite of e-government services
- Major multi-sector, multi-vendor and multi-year project.
- Will require successful PPP Private-Public Sector Partnership
- Must be built on a sound IT Architecture foundation, that fosters effective integration and interoperability across existing and planned sectoral networks.
- Will require effective promulgation of enterprise wide policies and standards
- Must be secure and robust





## **GovNet Jamaica Drivers**

- Need to harmonize and integrate public sector networks and services
- Leverage economies of scale
- Reduce GoJ cost of designing, deploying and operating public sector networks.





## Jamaica's E-Government Successes

- Jamaica Customs
- Inland Revenue Tax Payment
- Office of the Registrar of Companies (ORC)
- Trade Facilitation Services
- National Land Agency e-Land (NLA)
- Registrar General's Department (RGD)
- Management Institute for National Development (MIND)

There is now a need for greater integration and interconnection of systems and services

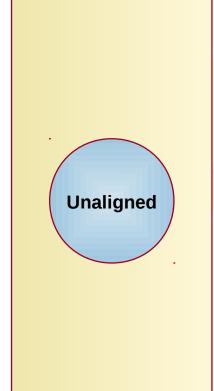


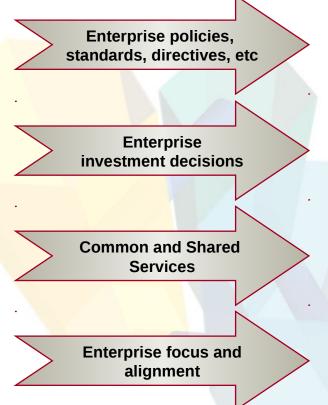


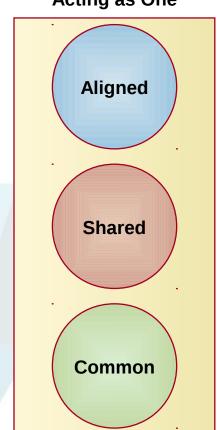
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**Today** 

**Tomorrow** "Acting as One"







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### **GovNet Stakeholders**

- Central Information Technology Office
- Min. of Industry Technology Energy & Commerce
- FISCAL Services Ltd. –
- Ministry of Finance & Planning
- Ministry of Education & Youth
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of National Security
- National Works Agency –
- Min. of Housing Transport Water & Works
- Public Sector Reform Unit Cabinet Office





### **GovNet Stakeholders**

- Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management
- Land Information Council / Ministry of Agriculture and Lands
- Ministry of Justice The Courts
- Ministry of Local Government





### **GovNet Jamaica Project** Status

- Initial Project TOR drafted; supported by the Minister of **Technology**
- Many discussions held and agreements being forged, primarily at the technical level
- Technical Exchange visit from 9-member GoJ delegation to Gov. of the Republic of Trinidad & Tobago
- Cabinet Submission drafted. To be approved by Cabinet through Minister of Technology
  - Seeks to establish an umbrella mechanism that will be empowered to establish the necessary collaborative framework for integration and interoperability across GoJ
- GovNet initiative to be included in revised Telecommunications Act to give it important legislative/policy support.





# **Opportunities /** Challenges

- Secure buy-in from political directorate and senior leaders
- Process of building a collaborative framework and environment
- Possible conflicts with silo-based management objectives
- Funding





## **Target Outcomes Summary**

- Improved Service Delivery
- Citizen-Centric Services
- Joined-Up / Boundaryless Government
- Reduced Costs
- Economic Development and Sustainability





## **Thank You**

