



STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP IN CREATING VALUE FOR MONEY IN PROJECT INTERVENTIONS

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Presentation agenda



- ☐ Introduction
- ☐ Why your organization exists
- ☐ Project Mobilization
- ☐ Roll out
- ☐ Implementation and Management
- ☐ Monitoring and Evaluation
- ☐ The Future of Project Management – AI Vs HI

Project mobilization – Partners and beneficiary engagement



- Have you conducted a pre-project stakeholder engagement e.g. Beneficiary contextual intelligence gathering
- Have you re-evaluated the “fertile” ground for proceeding with the project?
- What conditions did the funders put in place prior to release of funds – Have you met them
- Other

The logical framework and theory of change



- What are your inputs, outputs, outcomes and impact
- Do you have baseline data for each
- What theory underpins the change you are trying to create

Project governance and administrative structure



- Have you established a governance structure/ arrangements for the project – e.g. Oversight committee, selection committee, management and implementation team etc
- Do you have a due process for establishing the structure
- Have you secured the necessary approval for the governance structure

Project risk management



- Do you have a risk management framework
- Is it robust enough / fit for use?
- How frequently do you report on risk management

Managing uncertainty and responding pragmatically



- What problems might arise that you did not expect e.g. un cooperative beneficiaries, change in leadership of funders, implementation partners etc
- Did something go wrong e.g. delays for various reasons - How do you respond
- How do you rate your project leadership skills – e.g. in addressing disagreements in the management team

Project rollout, implementation & mgnt



- Executing roll out of the project and communicating to stakeholders – online/through a forum?
- Meeting with beneficiaries to outline and manage expectations

In year and year end reporting & Beneficiary monitoring



- Do you report on the project monthly or quarterly
- Do you have a reporting template for ease of presentation of progress and learning
- Do you have a tool for beneficiary monitoring
- What opportunities have you identified

Value for money opportunities

Identification and reporting



- Is the project staying the course?
- Are you achieving quality outputs?
- Are you making any savings on project funding/ cutting wastage
- How do you report on value for money? And how often?

Results matrix and outcomes tracking



- What project objectives are you tracking?
- Do you have baseline data on each?
- Have you developed a results matrix for annual reporting on the results?
- What are the project risks and assumptions for each objective?
- Are the assumptions holding?

Success stories recording and reporting



- What are the success stories from the project –
- What are beneficiaries and their stakeholders saying about these?
- Do you have a reporting template for reporting success stories?
- How often do you report on these?

Project Audit/ Monitoring and evaluation



- Do you conduct annual independent audit of the project?
- Have the funders if any at all conducted their own audit of the project – What was your score?
- Have you evaluated the project – What have been the major challenges
- What have been the major lessons?
- How do the challenges and lessons affect the next phases of the project or affect future projects?

Stakeholder engagement and continuing communication



- Have You met project beneficiaries and relevant stakeholders during and after the project to brief them on progress?
- What lessons have you learned from meeting stakeholders?

The Future of Project Management – AI Vs HI



- Will you still have your current job in 10 years
- What project management roles will be taken over by technology
- How do we remain relevant as professionals

The Future of Project Management – AI Vs HI



- Disruption is very much a way of life in every industry today.
- A multi-year research project carried out by Accenture on more than 3,000 companies showed that at any one time at least 63% of companies will be experiencing disruption, and that 44% of the companies in any marketplace are highly susceptible to future disruption.
- So what's the best way to respond to ongoing marketplace disruptions? Ideally, you want to become a disruptor, not the disrupted.
- To do that, you're going to need to have the ability to pivot again and again

Reflection



“Don’t wish life was easier, wish you were better. Don’t wish for less problems, wish for more skills. Don’t wish for less challenge, wish for more wisdom”

Questions/ Comments



- Write down two things you have pick learned in this session
- Which of them are you going to implement from today/tomorrow?
- Thank you coming/ attending
- See you soon!