

7 Pillars of Governance Development

Lessons In Planning Not (Always) Learned

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A group of people, including a woman in a white shirt and glasses, a man in a red shirt, and several men in military uniforms, are gathered in a construction site. They appear to be in a discussion. The background shows concrete structures and wooden scaffolding under a cloudy sky.

#1

Governance is essential to sustainability

We need to agree on that

A photograph of three people sitting around a table in a meeting. On the left, a man with glasses and a white shirt is looking towards the center. In the middle, a woman with glasses and a white vest over a green top is gesturing with her hand. On the right, a man in a light blue shirt is smiling. The background shows a window with blue curtains and some greenery outside.

#2

Strengthening Governance is Hard Work

We need to accept that

#3

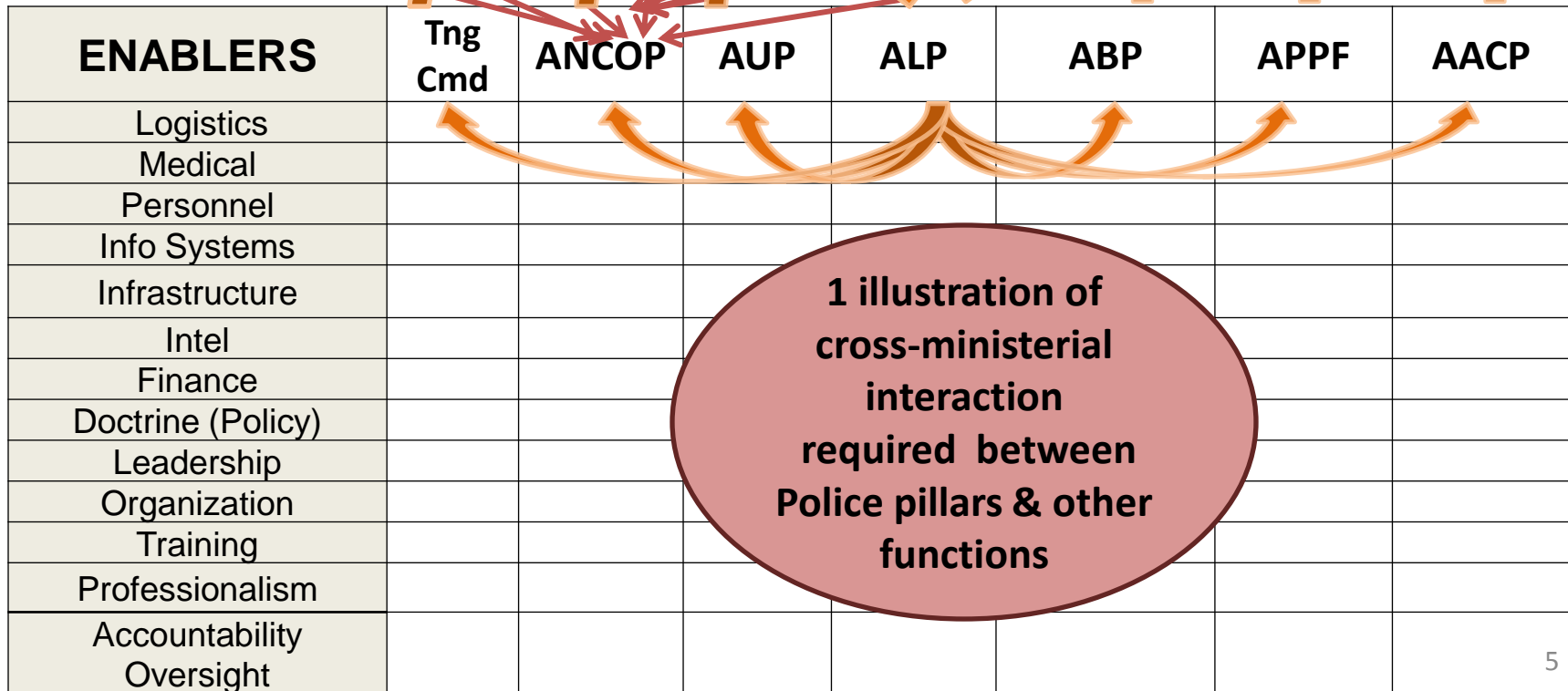
Governance is Complex



We need to embrace the complexity

Understanding the Operating Environment – An Afghanistan Case Study

Legal Framework



A group of approximately ten people are seated around a large, dark conference table in a meeting room. The participants include several individuals in military uniforms and others in civilian attire. They appear to be engaged in a discussion or meeting. The room has large windows with green blinds on the right side.

#4

Governance is both vertical and horizontal

Our plans and objectives need to reflect that



#5

Governance Development is a Core Governance Function

We cannot substitute our development capacity for theirs
The Process is the Product

A woman in a pink long-sleeved shirt and dark pants is standing in the center of a group of children. She appears to be interacting with them, possibly in a community or educational setting. The background shows a crowd of people and some structures, suggesting an outdoor or semi-outdoor environment.

#6

Governance Development Requires Coherence and Continuity


**If implementers at all levels cannot explicitly state how their
activities are tied to strategic goals,
*They should not be doing them***



#7

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- A photograph of four people (three men and one woman) standing on a rocky mountain peak, holding a large American flag. The background shows a hazy, mountainous landscape under a clear sky.