Latin America: Identity Management
an evolving success story

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The civil register: the ugly duckling of the public sector....?
Why did Latin America embrace Id-M?

• Tradition
• Voter registration
• Emerging democracies
• Social development and inclusion
• Need for better vital statistics
• Coordination and collaboration between development partners
Why does legal identity matter?

**Individual**
- Human right
- Access to benefits
- Access to services
- Financial independance
- Political participation and repersentation
- Judicial protection and due process

**Public administration**
- Better data
- Informed decision making
- Improved planning capacity
- Effective immunization programs
- Case based medical services
- Land titiling
Legal identity for all, including birth registration

- Identity
- Input to vital statistics
- Veracity of documents

4. Interconnectivity & Interoperability

3. Institutional capacity
  - Administrative asymmetries
  - Knowledge

2. ICT Infrastructure

1. Legal Framework
Collaboration among development partners

• WB and IDB : initiative to improve quality of statistics (2000)
• IDB and UNICEF and OAS : MOU (2006)
• Informal collaboration UNICEF, Plan, OAS, IDB, PAHO from 2000
• Creation of CLARCIEV 2002 with IDB and OAS participation
1. Legal frame works

• Patch work of out dated legal and regulatory frameworks
• Convoluted procedures

• “Quick fix”: Changed to administrative procedures for late registration
2. ICT infrastructure

- Wave of e-Government initiative
- Internet penetration
- Mobile penetration

- “Quick fix”: National policies, available financing and projects
3. Institutional capacity

- Political leadership
- Political willingness to take on modernization projects
- “Quick fix”: availability of funding and technical support
4. Interoperability

- Understanding of the need to use standards
- Trust relationships lacking
- Continues to be a challenge
Why children do not get registered at birth

- Father not present: 31
- No agreement name(s): 23
- Parents do not have id...: 18
- Do not have notification...: 12
- Information incorrect: 9
- Critical health issues: 4
- Residency issues: 3
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- Single mother, father not present, 31
- Parent(s) do not have id documents, 18
- No agreement on name(s), 23
- Do not have certificate of live birth, 12
- Information outdated, 9
- Mother or child in critical condition, 4
- Residency issues, 3
Challenges

• Digital divide

• Temptation to collect more data

• Capacity to manage and use

• Financing and role of private sector
Digital challenges
Digital identity
Thank you for your attention.

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