Fostering Trust and Transparency in Governance: Investigating and Addressing the Requirements for Building Integrity in Public Sector Information System in the ICT Environment

Briefing Note July and August 2008

Steering Committee

The final Steering Committee for the project was held on 10 July 2008 by video conference and linked Committee members in Washington, London and Dar Es Salaam. The meeting focused on the outcomes of the stakeholders meeting held in Pretoria, South Africa in April; the development of the training modules; the recordkeeping performance indicators; and conclusions and next steps.

Notes of the meeting have been distributed.

Congress of the International Council on Archives

Findings and draft products from the research project were presented in July at the International Congress on Archives in Kuala Lumpur. The Congress, which takes place every four years, is the single most important international event for the records profession. The case studies and indicators were summarised, and a documentary film, funded by the International Development Research Centre, relating to the Sierra Leone case study was shown. The session was well received. In addition, the training modules were presented at the Congress, first as part of a training workshop and then in a separate presentation. Attendance at these two presentations was high and there was considerable interest in the modules from delegates from around the world.

Case Studies

A draft of the Botswana report has been completed.

Upcoming work:

• Finalise all remaining work on the case studies.

Recordkeeping Performance Indicators

Work continued on drafting and refining the indicators. Further discussions were held with staff at the World Bank following the Steering Committee meeting in July. Upcoming work:

• Finalise all remaining work on the performance indicators

Training Modules

Work is progressing well on finalising the training modules. Peer reviewers have been identified and drafts of the materials will be circulated shortly.

Upcoming work:

• Draft training modules to be peer reviewed