

Linking Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) systems and National ID systems

The Why

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Preamble

Associating with the Seoul Statement of September 2014 from the First International Identity Management Conference, underscoring the centrality of civil registration for establishment of robust identification management systems, facilitating citizens access to social services, cross border movement and as key tools in disaster management and response;

Resolution

Establish solid linkages between civil registration and national identity systems in efforts to manage one legal identity and to improve governance and service delivery;

CR + National ID

A conceptual framework

Civil Registration

Legal Identity begins at birth with biographic information collected through Civil Registration System



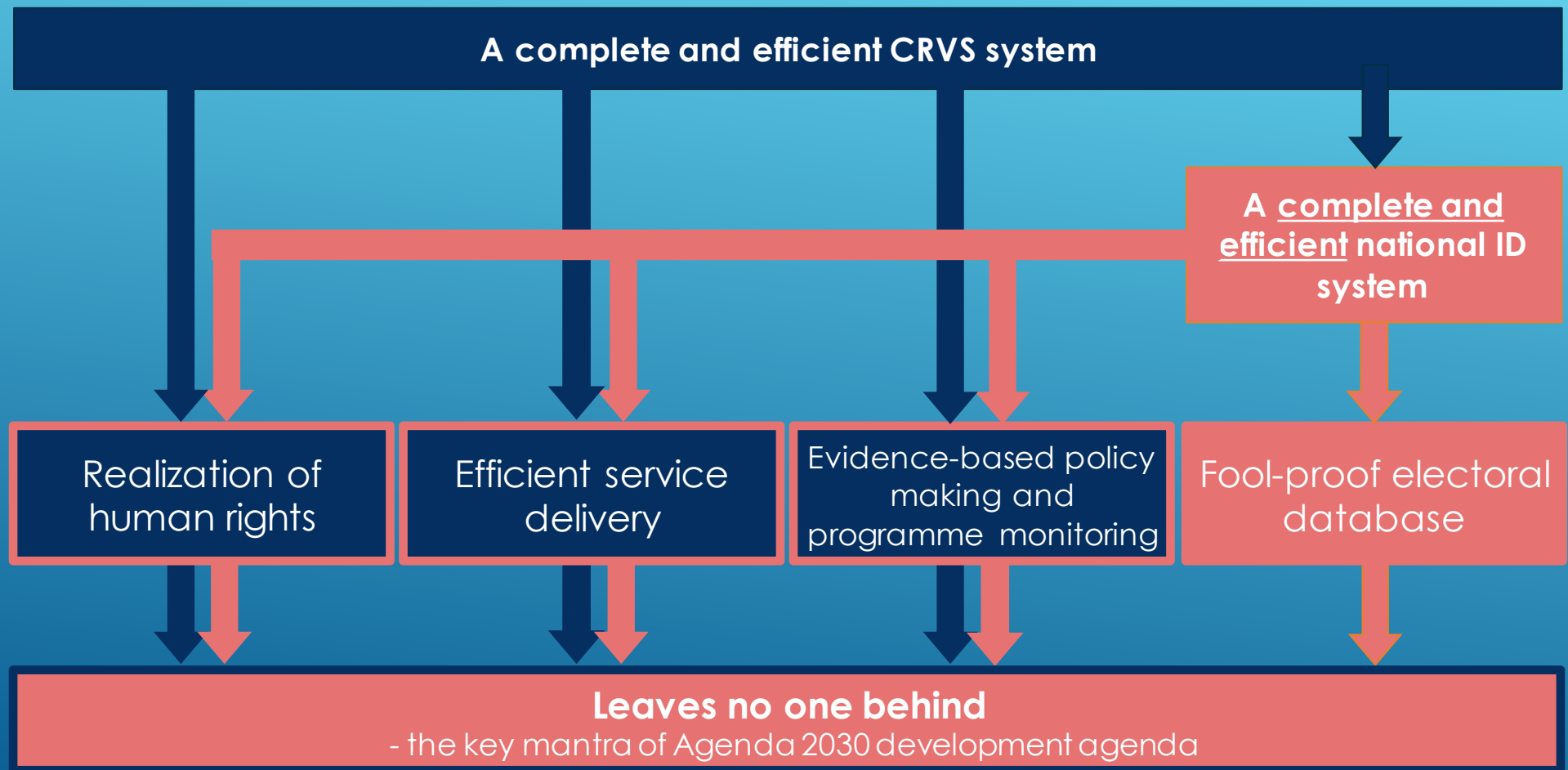
National ID

Identity strengthens with biometrics information collected through national ID system

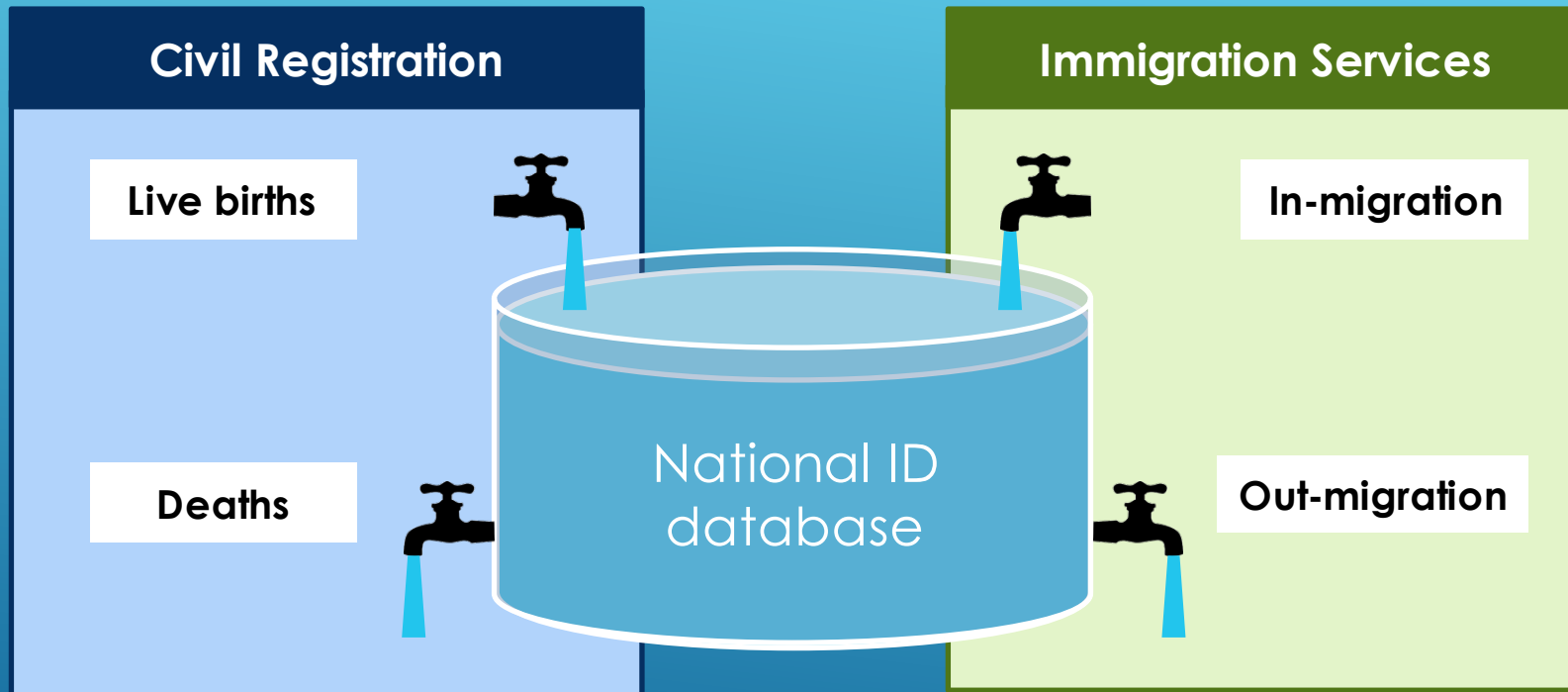
Identity ends at death, but not its legal effects, so death information collected through Civil Registration must be linked with National ID

Secure legal Identity

Why link CRVS and National ID?



Why link CRVS and National Id? A metaphorical representation



A secure legal identity

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CRVS and SDGs



Africa programme for accelerated improvement of civil registration and vital statistics (APAI-CRVS)

- ▶ Guided by policy directives of the **Conference of Ministers Responsible for Civil Registration**
 - ▶ 1st Conference in Addis Ababa (2010) – conceptualization and focus on holistic approach
 - ▶ 2nd Conference in Durban (2012) – moving action to countries
 - ▶ 3rd Conference in Yamoussoukro (2015) – consolidation
- ▶ Steered by **Regional Core Group** – ECA (**Secretariat**), AUC, AfDB, ASSD, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO, Indepth Network, Paris21, Plan International



Guiding principles of APAI-CRVS

Promoting country ownership and leadership

Building capacities of national and regional CRVS institutions

Promoting coordination at national and regional level

Promoting phase-based, holistic and systemic approach at country and regional level

Promoting innovation and knowledge sharing

Key achievements of APAI-CRVS

1

Sustained political momentum – ministerial conference

2

Country ownership and leadership



Strengthened collaboration between CR & VS offices



Improved coordination at regional and country level



Trained over 500 CRVS
functionaries (Pool of experts)

6

A number CRVS documents produced & other in pipeline

7

Supported country CRVS assessments (25 completed & 11 on the way)

8

Created global momentum on CRVS (Asia & Pacific, WB Investment Plan, Canadian Centre of Excellence ...)

What needs to be done to link CRVS and National ID? At country level

- Need for one policy on CR + National ID with clear statement on purpose (include privacy!)
- Need for a law on National ID that provides for linkages between CR and National ID
- Need for governance to manage and coordinate of information between the two systems

What needs to be done to link CRVS and National ID? At global and regional level

- Need for global guidance on building and maintaining complete and efficient national id systems
- Need to establish a coordination mechanism between all initiatives on ID (World Bank), CRVS (UN Regional Commissions) and voters ID (UNDP)