

TOWARDS IDP GUIDELINES – ACHIEVING NDP AND IUDF goals

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Legislation

→ Systems Act

- ⊙ IDP's

- ⊙ SDF's

→ SPLUMA

- ⊙ SDF's

→ MFMA

- ⊙ SDBIP'S

→ DORA

- ⊙ BEPP's

→ IGRA

- ⊙ IGR structures

- ⊙ Implementation protocols

2001 IDP Regulations amplify and provide some detail to the Act.

More comprehensive focus

Require integration of all projects of all organs of state

Key questions (2018) ...

- Are IDPs positioned to drive the Spatial Transformation Agenda and facilitate inclusive economic growth?
- To what extent do IDPs serve as intergovernmental planning instruments?
- Put differently, are IDPs a “Plan of all government” as originally conceived?
- In the context of Outcome Based Planning, are IDPs responding to outcomes that government has set out?
- What is the relationship between the IDP and SDF?
- Should IDPs be strategic or comprehensive?

Some problems...

- IDPs have become documents which are not focusing on contributing to the long term vision, as intended in the legislation
- IDPs very rarely act as integrating instruments
- IDPs must be implementable planning instruments
- Plethora of planning guidelines / legislation – some duplication and some confusion.

© Eg: Infrastructure investment planning - MSA requires a capital investment framework; the MFMA stipulates that the SDBIP must have a capital investment plan (by ward); DORA's BEPP which requires projects and funding; SPLUMA requires municipalities to identify location requirements for infrastructure and have a capital expenditure framework.

- Sectoral department involvement is generally poor and often municipalities are not aware or don't integrate national sectoral plans.
- Commonly have a disjuncture between SDF's and IDP's

Some problems ...

→ COGTA 2012 IDP Guidelines

- ⊙ **2012 - Aimed to address:**
- ⊙ the lack of guidelines for project prioritization,
- ⊙ the poor integration of various sector plans in the IDPs,
- ⊙ Poor alignment of planning, budgeting, implementation, monitoring and reporting processes;
- ⊙ un-user friendly formats for IDP's .

→ Intergovernmental Planning

- ⊙ Poor alignment of strategic plans of the spheres of government;
- ⊙ No spatial dimension to provincial strategic plans;
- ⊙ Provincial growth strategies are not aligned to municipal IDPs;
- ⊙ National policy initiated without assessing impact on local government;
- ⊙ Planning is sectoral rather than integrated; and
- ⊙ IDPs are still not influencing planning by the other spheres

Key issues for revised guidelines

- ⊙ Improve the visioning process in municipalities
- ⊙ Strengthen spatial logic in the IDPs
- ⊙ Should be more strategic and deliver a 5 year programme in the context of a long term plan
- ⊙ Integrate the intergovernmental spatial and sectoral programmes
- ⊙ Must be reflective of integrating local, provincial and national strategies and plans.

Thank You!

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