

## Assessing extent & quality of implementation

### WHAT is it?

A set of 60 indicators applied to government agencies to determine the extent and quality of implementation of access to information legislation

### WHO is it for?

To help governments advance in their implementation efforts and to assist civil society in better understanding implementation and to be more strategic in monitoring and advocacy efforts

### WHY was it created?

To provide a qualitative and quantitative assessment of progress and highlight areas for improvement

### Example of IAT Findings

	Fundamental Functions	Receive and Respond to Requests	Proactive Disclosure	Records Management
Leadership (directs)	Engagement ● Strategic Planning ●			Engagement ● Policy ●
Rules (guide)	Guidelines ● ● ● ● ● Instructions/plans ● ● ● ● ●	Guidelines for receiving/processing ● ● ● ● ● Guidelines for responding ● ● ● ● ● Guidelines for internal review ● ● ● ● ●	Guidelines ●	Guidelines ● ● ● ● ● Instructions/plans ● ● ● ● ●
Procedures (order)	Public awareness raising ● ● ● ● ●	Procedures for receiving/processing ● ● ● ● ● Procedures for transfer/responding ● ● ● ● ●	Procedures for proactive disclosure ● ● ● ● ●	Classification ● ● ● ● ● Manage Records ● ● ● ● ● Retrieve Records ● ● ● ● ●
Resources (enable)	Staffing ● ● ● ● ● Training ● ● ● ● ● Infrastructure ● ● ● ● ● Budget ● ● ● ● ●		Staffing ● ● ● ● ● Training ● ● ● ● ●	Staffing ● ● ● ● ● Training ● ● ● ● ● Infrastructure ● ● ● ● ●
Monitoring (adjust)	Internal oversight ● ● ● ● ● Performance monitoring ● ● ● ● ●	Capturing of statistics ● ● ● ● ●	Capturing of statistics ● ● ● ● ● Reporting ● ● ● ● ●	Reporting ● ● ● ● ●
Wildcard	Researcher ● ● ● ● ● Blind Peer Reviewer ● ● ● ● ●	Researcher ● ● ● ● ● Blind Peer Reviewer ● ● ● ● ●	Researcher ● ● ● ● ● Blind Peer Reviewer ● ● ● ● ●	Researcher ● ● ● ● ● Blind Peer Reviewer ● ● ● ● ●

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