

PPP Practioner's Notes

Capacity Challenges in

PPP Program and Contract Management

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Key issues in PPP program and contract management

- Functions of the State in public services
- PPPs as a form of public investment
- Maintaining Value for Money over duration of the PPP contract
- Budgeting for PPPs, approvals, sustainability
- Performance of the grantor
- Essential role of PPP Units

Functions of the State in Public Service Concessions

<i>Ent</i> ity	Grantor	Operator	Equity Share holder	Funding Payments	Regulator	Inspector
Ministry Of Finance	PPP Agency PPP Unit		Capital Guarante es Loans, DEBT		C Bank Budget Office Eurostat	Finance Inspectorate
Ministries Transport Health	Sector Authoriti es with	Direct operation within Public	SOE State owned Transport	Operating Subsidies Invesment Subsidies	Sector Regulator .Technical .Quality	Sector Inspectorate s
Municipal ities February	Public Service Obligati ons 2012 Mari a	Adminstr ation Or	-Water -Hospital s -Municipa	EU grants Shadow tolls Rents	.Economic	Court of Auditors Parliament

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Attributes of the State as Grantor (Concedente)

- 1. Permanent obligation to provide the public service, temporarily concessioned
- 2. Annual budget allocation to support public service to the extent not supported by user fees
- Technical capacity to define, control and guarantee provision of the public service
- 4. Continuing envolvement in the public service provision
- Authority and capacity to decide and to commit budget funds, current and future
- 6. Ultimate political accountability and responsability

Critical sucess factors in all contract phases

Tender 18 months 3-5 years 25-30 years

Selection Preparation	Structuring Financing	Contracting	Construction	Operatitons Monitoriing	Transfer/ Reversion
sustainability, realistic TRAFFIC forecasts, needs •Political priorities, technical solutions •Risk analysis, environment •Experienced fully dedicated permanent team •Stakeholder consultation, partners	framework	 Realistic risk allocation Well balanced incentives/penalties Bankable, full financing secured Contracts well drafted and negotiated, good 	expropriation, public domain •Environmental approvals •Cost control *Construction on time, within budget *No tacit approvals • Compensate extra works with costs elsewhere	 defined, adequate, monitored (Operating cost control, within budget Compliance monitoring 	
Strategy TENDER	PROPOSALS	•CONTRACT	SERVICE	SATISFACTION	•RE- CONCESSION

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Overcoming budget constraint by far the biggest motivation, due to:

- Narrow definition of "public spending" and "public debt" (gaming Maastricht criteria)
- PPP liabilities (ex. future availability payments) excluded from current year expenditure, in the absence of MTEF (budget framework law)
- PPP projects excluded from budget or parliamentary approval requirements compared to traditional public investment program, or fasttracked

Ministerial offices
40 €MM

Investement subsidies:
169 €MM

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM - 2008

MOPTC 449 €MM

Sector Regulators:

337 € MM

OE 700 €MM

Operating subsidies (MFAP): 251 €MM

EU Grants €130MM

Earmarked fuel tax revenues €480 MM CSR

Change in total liabilities of State Owned Infra and Trnasport companies 2.500 - 3.000 € MM

Change in te NPV of expected long term payment liabilities under transport sector PPP concession contracts (base case only) 3.000 €MM

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Fundamental PPP concepts

Eurostat criteria questioned

- Concessionaires classified as mercantile companies
 - Significant private capital ownership, or
 - State owned company with mercantile revenues
 - Price paid by users, in line with usage
 - Superior to 50% of production costs
- Concessionaire with construction risk, plus either
 - Traffic/volume risk, or
 - Availability risk
- ❖ April 2011: Several public sector companies and PPP contracts reclassified within AP, more to follow

NOTE: "PPP" with construction versus service-only "concession" with user fees

PPP
expenditures
excluded
from
AP deficit
and
AP debt

PPP contract management

- PPP contacts "incomplete" by nature due to long durations, must be subject to renegotiation
- FIDIC and EU public procurement rules focus on initial adjudication, renegotiations relatively unfettered
- Unrestricted, frequent renegotiations suffer from
 - Asymmetric information and skills (incl. banks)
 - Risk of "capture" of public partner
- Bidders may engage in "strategic behaviour", bid aggressively, price opaquely, then renegotiate one-on-one

PPPs and the financial crisis

- Re-pricing of project risk penalized bank portfolios and resulted in non-conforming Best-and-Final bids
- Government decision to maintain pipeline left local banks isolated, unable to sell down, lacking long term funding
- More demanding conditions of bankability treatenned budget sustainability
- Traffic volumes down, increasing pressures to renegotiate and transfer traffic risk to the State, with trade-off between traffic risk and sovereign risk
- EIB now demanding collateralization of local bank payment guarantees due to declines in rating, further aggravating poor bank liquidity

Securing the Value in PPP

- Real <u>Value</u> in overcoming historic infrastructure deficit (1986)
- Good Value for Money depends as much on program and contract management over time as it does on initial contract design and competitive tendering
- Concessions with multiple renegotiations and rebalancing are likely to show low or even negative VfM
- Rigorous Government execution in tender, adjudication and monitoring phases essential
- Importance of <u>role of Grantor (Concedente) over the</u> <u>whole life</u> of concession should not be underestimated nor understaffed

State as Concedent (Grantor) is the "ultimate risk underwriter" in public services and PPP

- Concessions are temporary and public service infrastructure must be taken back in case of default or abandonnment
- Concedente (Grantor) has to maintain essential public services in all circumstances
- Concessionaire has asymetric bargaining power after adjudication, more information, less to loose, and thus can engage in "strategic behaviour", may "capture" Concedent
- Public sector is less sensitive to risk, it's "natural" for State to absorb cots of inflation or to suffer political pressures and changing priorities
- Transaction management vs. Contract monitoring

PPP Program: Organizational implications

Organization

- Concedent sectoral public service unit
 - LT management,
 - LT budget
- Central PPP Unit Treasury, budget, risks, knowledge center
- Articulate with <u>external debt</u> <u>management</u>, <u>Central Bank</u>
- Transparency and best practices, disclosure
- "PPP Officer" training, certification
- Manage learning curve, institutional memory
 - Senior/junior teams
 - Continuity, professionalism
- Prompt, well grounded Govt decision making, avoid costly policy reversals

Policy guidelines

- People-based culture of risk-management, not just rules-based
- Multi-party political support, consensus essential
- Create PSC comparator with onbudget cost, including contract management costs
- Annual monitoring of VfM, budget sustainability, long term costs
- Strong legal and budget framework
- Long term monitoring arrangements, avoiding renegotiations

Conclusions

- No real substitute for public sector contract managment capacity, training and rotations are essential
- Managing indirect public investment through a PPP contract is much more complex than managing direct public investment projects
- Great attention to market risk capacity and pricing in determining risk allocation
- Ongoing monitoring and evaluation key to maintaing Value for Money in the face or renegotions and requilibriium
- Value for money must include concept of budget sustainability, renegotiations and equilibrium for the public partner, as well as the private partner

Recomendations

- Create permanent Central PPP Unit
- Plan for public sector capacity building, guidance, guidelines, reviews
- Simplifty specifications, standardization of documents and procurement procedures
- Adjust to changing market conditions, manage project pipeline so as to avoid crowding and accumulation of external debt
- Find alternative, even if temporary, sources of financing to overcome funding gaps and overly tight market conditions
- ✓ Keep PPPs the exception, not the rule, as a form of financing public investment and public services, below 25%
- ✓ Include PPP contract obligations in public investment expenditure and public debt



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