

# Foundations of Electronic Governance

## 3<sup>rd</sup> UNeGov.net School



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### Invitation

The School on Foundations of Electronic Governance will be organized as the 3<sup>rd</sup> in a series of schools under the [UNeGov.net](http://www.unegov.net) initiative. The primary purpose of the School is to provide participants with a good understanding of Electronic Governance. Specifically, the school will teach how to carry out strategic planning and develop both organizational and technical structures for Electronic Governance. The school will also provide a medium for international and local experience sharing on e-Governance development in general and within the framework of the UneGov.net Community of Practice in particular.

### Target Audience

- 1) Government IT Practitioners, Researchers and Educators
- 2) Information Technology Professionals and Software Engineers
- 3) Academics and Postgraduate IT Students

### Rationale

Governments are under pressure from citizens, businesses and civil society to address public needs, to support local industries, to deliver high-quality services at reasonable cost to the public, etc. In response, they try to develop Electronic Governance to bring about customer orientation, businesslike management, new forms of public service delivery and other public sector reforms. In doing so, government leaders face many challenges, such as:

- 1) Leading necessary process and structural changes to accompany technical solutions, against resistance from various stakeholders.
- 2) Finding ways to effectively cooperate on cross-agency projects, against traditionally hierarchical structures of governments.
- 3) Building stable, long-lasting solutions for the public sector, while facing volatility of supporting technologies.
- 4) Relying on private sector assistance to deliver public services, while keeping data secure and avoiding vendor lock-in strategies.

UNeGov.net provides a forum for addressing these challenges.

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### UNeGov.net

Developing Electronic Governance merits a multi-disciplinary and multi-stakeholder approach whereby the experts and practitioners in different disciplines come together to exchange experiences, share technical know-how, transfer skills and knowledge and reach consensus on the best practices in the field. UNeGov.net aims to bring together such experts within the framework of a Community of Practice supported by:

- 1) a community portal
- 2) a series of network-building workshops
- 3) a conference on the Theory and Practice of e-Governance

The focus is as much on solving concrete problems as it is on consensus-building and advancing the practice in the field. The portal, for instance, will provide technical support for collaborative problem-solving by offering a collection of web resources – papers, software, projects, people, etc. and the mechanism to assemble such resources into “solution patterns”.

### UNeGov.net/Schools

One of the crucial inputs for successful e-Governance agenda is human capacity. Lack of adequate human capacity has been an important factor for the very high rate of failure of e-Governance related projects the world over. The need for human capacity development to face the challenges of e-Governance is being acutely felt, especially in Developing Countries. The UNeGov.net Schools aim to build human capacity for e-Governance, particularly for Developing Countries. Practitioners from Government and Industry as well as Public Administration Officials are the primary target audience for the school.

Programme			
module	topic	speaker	affiliation
	Opening	Prof. Cleopas Angaye	NITDA
Concepts	Introducing Electronic Governance - What is Electronic Governance about?	Dr. Tomasz Janowski	UNU-IIST
Planning	Strategic Planning for Electronic Governance How to realize the vision of Electronic Governance?	Dr. Adegboyega Ojo	UNU-IIST
Technology	Developing Technical Solutions for Electronic Governance What technologies exist to build Electronic Governance?	Dr. Tomasz Janowski and Dr. Adegboyega Ojo	UNU-IIST
Organization	Engineering Structures and Processes for Electronic Governance How can organizations effectively use technology solutions?	Dr. Adegboyega Ojo and Dr. Tomasz Janowski	UNU-IIST
Experiences	Sharing Best Practices in Electronic Governance What examples exist? What lessons can be learnt?	Dr. Adegboyega Ojo	UNU-IIST
Collaboration	Building a Community of Practice for Electronic Governance How to work together?	Dr. Tomasz Janowski	UNU-IIST
	Closing	Prof. Cleopas Angaye	NITDA

### Organizers



### Partners