

# Citizen participation and government services

Thematic introduction

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## Before we dive in, where is everyone from?



# Citizen participation and government services

## Mentor cities

Aarhus, Amsterdam, Antwerp, Barcelona, Hamburg, Rijeka

## Core Cities

Aix-en-Provence, Arad, Bratislava, Brno, Budapest, Catanzaro, CA Paris-Saclay, Cork, Gelsenkirchen, Gijon, Heidelberg, Iasi, Karlskrona, Las Rozas, Le Havre, Leuven, Logrona, Metr. EU de Lille, Metr. Rouen Normandie, Poznan, Reggio Emilia, Sofia, Terrassa, Thessaloniki, Torrent, Tripolis

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# Leading innovators in the private sector are raising customer expectations for everyone else

## The pace of innovation in customer-centered design and delivery has accelerated dramatically...

Best-in-class examples of innovations

### Mobile

anytime, anywhere



Uber improved CX by putting ride hailing in the palm of one's hand, revolutionizing the cab industry, by unlocking a new workforce, making them more productive and reducing overhead

### Real-time

fast and frictionless



Amazon reduced the purchase journey to one-click – improving CX and increasing sales (Domino's uses a similar technique with its "quick order")

### Omni-channel

seamless



Domino's bridged the gap between its delivery and brick and mortar stores through a seamless app – improving CX and increasing sales

### Personalized

for me, empower me



Netflix suggests content based on user history and ratings – improving CX and making customers more likely to renew

# We need to rethink public services!

Great digital UX is part of everyday life ...

**NETFLIX**

 Apple Inc.

**facebook.**

**Google**

**amazon**

 **airbnb**

Users have become accustomed to digital services simplifying everyday life, including multichannel access, simple language, personalization, and feedback in real time

... except in public services (all too often)



Public services are often not yet online or not user-friendly (e.g., complex PDF forms, no live support, paper documents to print/send)

# Across the globe, government lags the private sector on customer experience

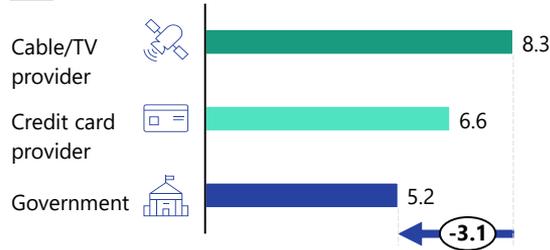
Customer satisfaction across industries in Canada, the U.S., Mexico, the U.K., France, and Germany<sup>1</sup>

■ Best performing industry (private) ■ Worst performing industry (private) ■ Governmental institutions (public)

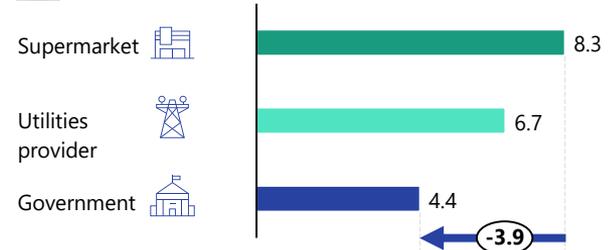
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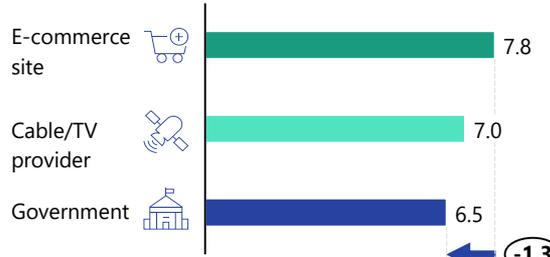
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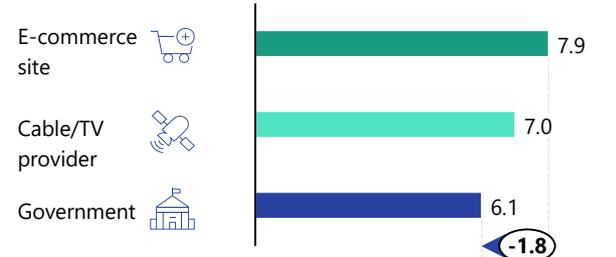
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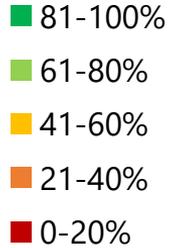
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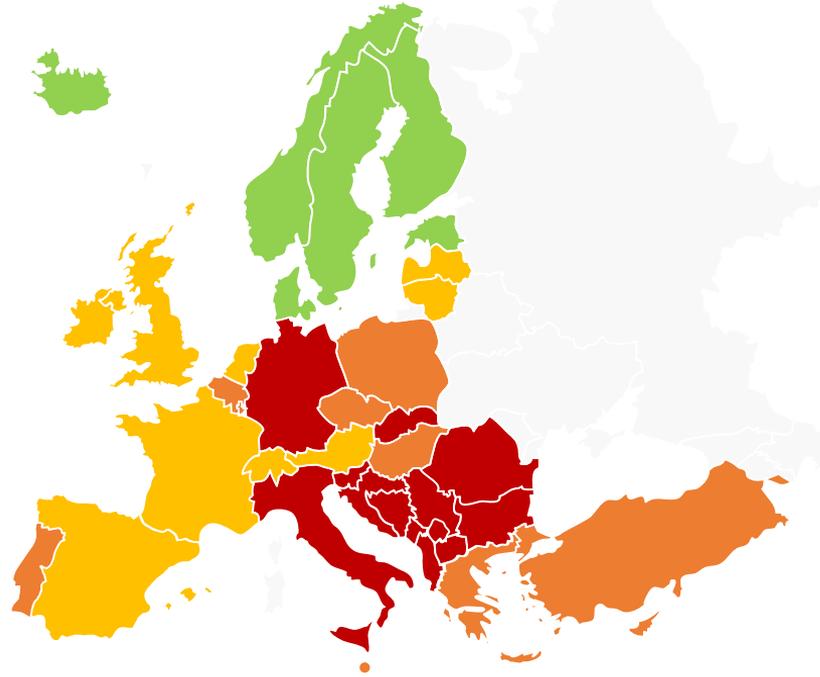
1. On a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 10 (very satisfied)

Source: 2018 Public Sector Journey Benchmark Survey; Global results from Canada, U.S., Mexico, U.K., France and Germany

# 20 years of digital government – user adoption remains a challenge



**European citizens who submit filled in forms to public authorities online (at least once in last 12 months),**  
Percent of population, 2018



Source: Eurostat 2018 data (2017 data for Switzerland)  
Intelligent Cities Challenge

After 2 decades of significant investment in digital government, only a handful of countries have managed to achieve broad user adoption of the digital channel



# The potential benefits of successful public engagement and delivery of services are even greater than we thought



## More trust in public institutions

Citizens satisfied with their experience are 10x more likely to trust public institutions overall<sup>1</sup>



## Cost savings for business

Companies save costs through digital interactions with the public administration (e.g., potential of EUR 1 bn. p.a. in Germany)<sup>2</sup>



## Better use of government resources

Public authorities can reallocate time savings to higher value tasks (e.g., ~60% efficiency potential through service automation in Germany)<sup>2</sup>



## Higher employee satisfaction in public institutions

Technological support for repetitive tasks makes public sector jobs more interesting; at the same time, customer satisfaction reinforces employee satisfaction<sup>3</sup>

1. McKinsey Public Sector Journey Benchmark Survey 2018

2. McKinsey, Public Services, Government 4.0 – the public sector in the digital age, March 2018

3. German Journal of Human Resource Management: <http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/239700221102500108>; McKinsey OHI

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# Citizen behavior is rapidly evolving



## Rise of the hyper-informed citizen

Information and choices are at the tips of our fingers

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## “Any screen will do”

Multichannel interaction is the norm, not something new

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## Your world in your pocket

Mobiles are the backbone of our everyday lives allowing us to interact and connect to more

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## Merging digital and physical

Smarter devices and location-based services are tailoring the experience

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## “Brick and Mortar” experiences polarizing

Shift towards convenience or experiential

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## Always on

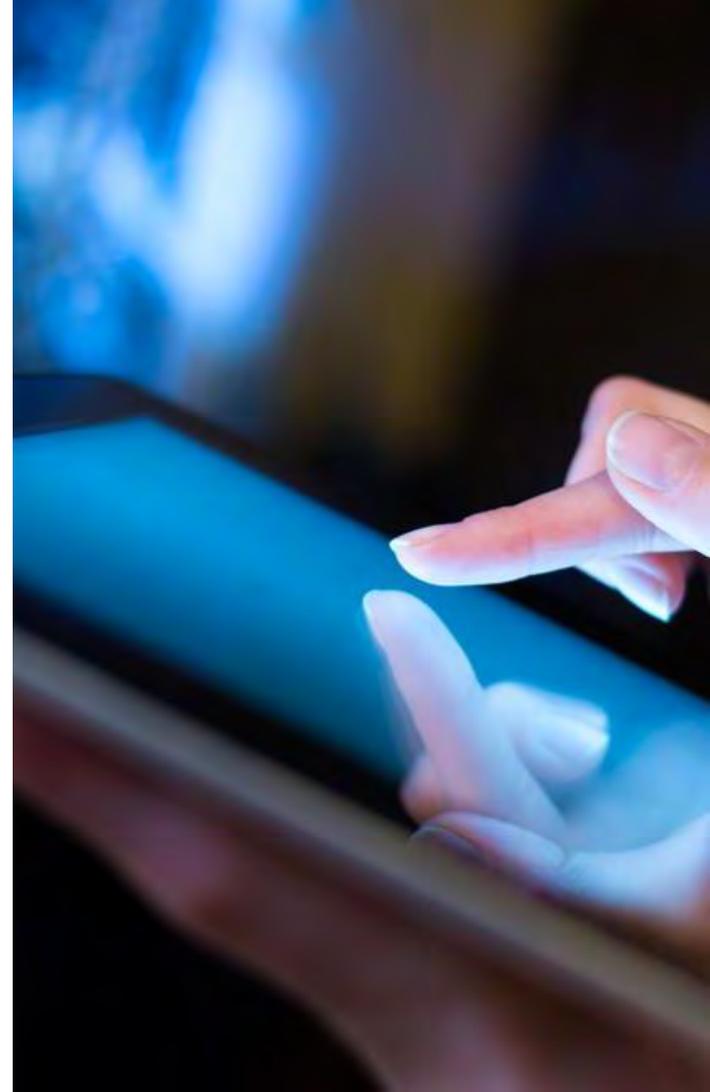
Citizens expect information, service and interactions 24/7

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## You can influence the experience

...but not the citizen



## What it means to be citizen centric in government

For all levels of government, taking a 'journey' lens to customer experience is essential to improving their overall wellbeing...

### **Overall wellbeing**

Overall life satisfaction through economic, social and personal interactions and relationships

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### **Life experiences**

The set of journeys experienced across all aspects of life that taken collectively shape overall wellbeing (e.g., getting married, having a child, going into retirement)

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### **Government service experiences**

The set of journeys experienced with each government service directed to improve aspects of life (e.g., getting a marriage certificate, applying for child benefits, receiving retirement benefits)

# Effective local government is optimized to meet the needs of both residents and businesses

## Individuals



## Businesses



# Mayors must balance growing engagement channels to meet resident and business demands



Citizens are increasingly willing to **publicize their opinions around public services**, often with strong feelings about the role played by city officials

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The overload of data from several channels makes it hard to **prioritize key issues** and **establish an effective dialogue** with citizens and businesses

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The disconnect between city management's **perception of its citizens' demands** and the **actual demands** leads to frustration and public disapproval



# Digital channels and data can be used to increase citizen engagement and factor in their priorities in policy making

## Bogota

## Santander

## Santa Monica



### Goal

Encourage participation, usage and integration of services for citizens

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Gain insight on issues that affect citizens, and work toward their overall well-being



### Approach

- Bogota's platform **provides 53+ online citizen services in 8 different areas**: Culture, education, economy, transport, environment, social services, health and households
- Services are also organized by life situation, occupation, role and gender identity, **focusing on citizen needs**

- **Developed a smart phone application to improve communication called "Pulso de la Ciudad" ("Pulse of the City")**.
- It allows citizens to report: status of parks, gardens, streets, report traffic, provide awareness of incidents, of obstacles like potholes in roads

- Developed the Santa Monica Wellbeing Index, which **leverages data from large surveys, social media and 20+ departments and statistical datasets** to understand what matters to people's wellbeing
- Used to engage citizens and businesses on community issues



### Outcome

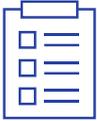
- Enabled **2,000+ websites for different Government institutions** over the last 10 years
- Integrated several government institutions such that **citizens can access a whole host of government services through just one website**

- The program **started in 2012** as a pilot but its success ensured that it was quickly completely deployed
- Recently **launched Santander City Brain Eco**, an initiative to make Santander an international benchmark in sustainability. They have **received 2,000+ ideas over 26 contests organized**.

- The index is used to **inform allocation of resources**, shape policies and guide priorities of the administration
- Helped build on existing effort to **track progress on environmental health, land use, economic development and housing**



## Time for a quick poll



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**Answer the first question**

Would you find value in using an engagement tool (e.g., surveys, social media, etc.) to identify residents' biggest pain points and priorities?

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# Trend 1: more and more governments are going “all in” to create comprehensive digital strategies

## Digital frontrunners

A few countries have successfully implemented comprehensive programs to digitize public services



### Denmark

Citizens and companies access all public services via national portals



### Estonia

All public services available on national portal, seamless exchange of government data for service delivery



### United Kingdom

National portal as a one-stop information hub and service portal for all government departments



## Ambitious followers

Many countries are now starting very ambitious programs to follow suit (this is just a selection)



### Germany

Legal mandate to make all public services available online by 2022 (~575 services)



### Dubai

Goal to make all public services available via mobile app and go completely paperless by 2021



### Australia

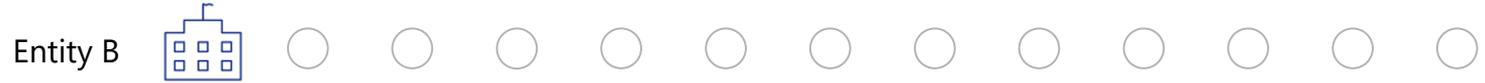
Envisions all government agencies to use digital platforms as major channel of service delivery by 2020

## Trend 2: Rather than optimizing thousands of individual services...

**10<sup>s</sup>** entities



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disconnected  
services

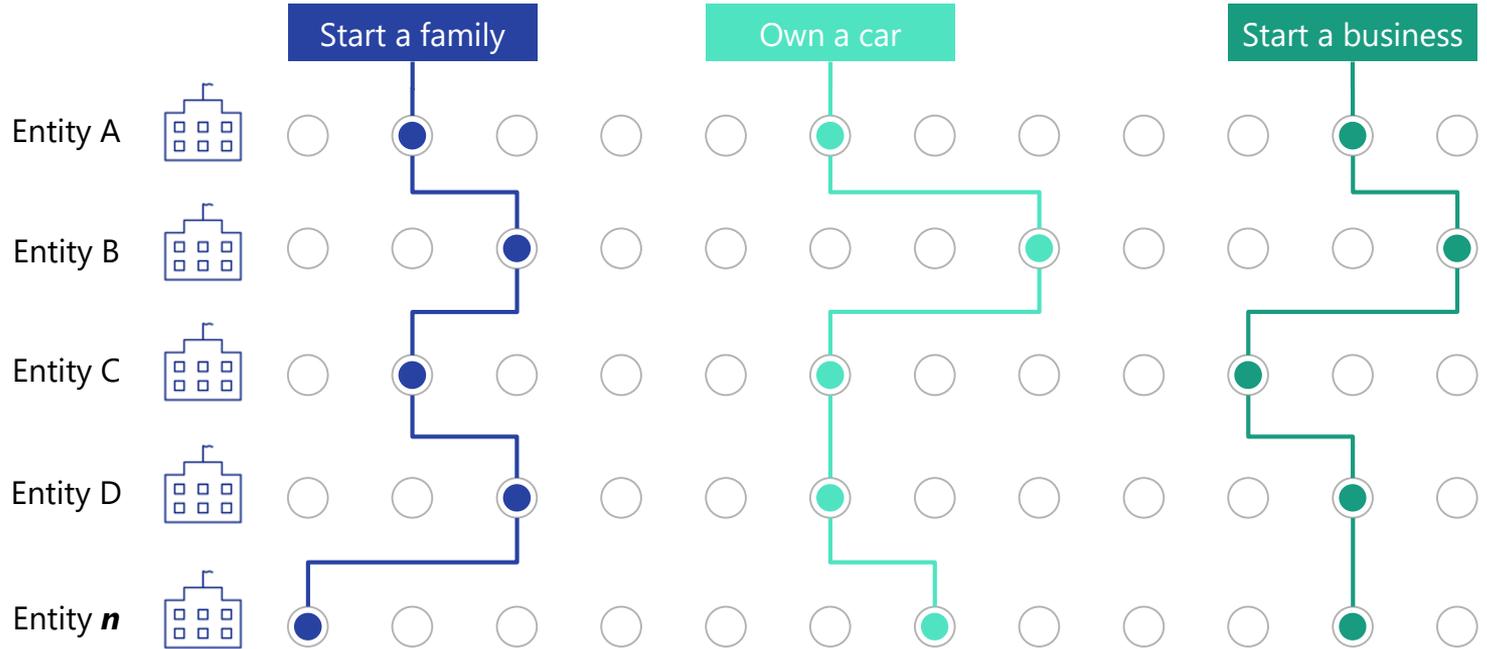


# ... local governments need to optimize end to end customer journeys

~ 100 *Customer-centric journeys*

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# Trend 3: Governments must innovate beyond the online form to fully optimize service delivery

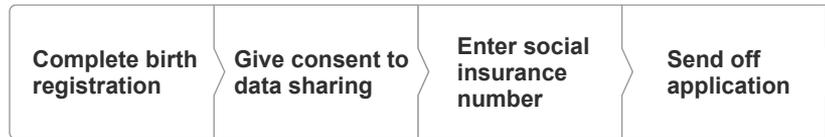


## Proactive services

### E.g., Automated child benefits in Canada

Automatic application to child benefits when completing birth registration

Parents just need to consent, all required data is then sourced from the relevant registers

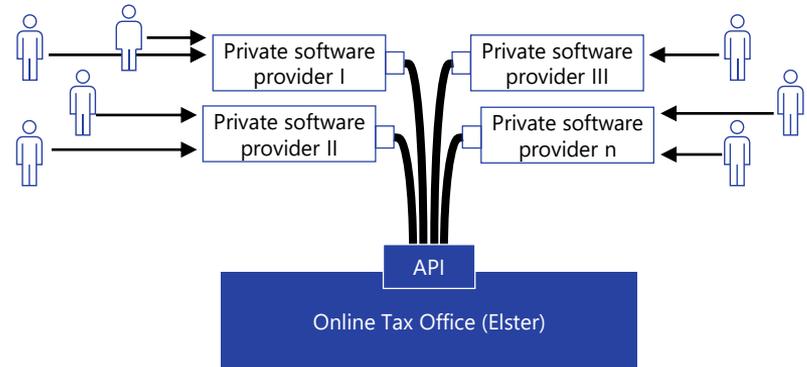


## Government as API

### E.g., tax returns in Germany

Citizens and companies can use tax office portal or submit their returns via 3<sup>rd</sup> party software

Software providers offer wide range of different tools, catering to specific needs of different user groups



# Governments at all levels need to think and act differently to deliver better citizen and business journeys

## Traditional model

### Governance



Organized by sector/function

### Technology



Use technology to improve processes and services

### Providers



Act as a siloed monopoly

### Talent



Provide life-long and linear career path

### Enablers/ Governance



Encourage competition among government entities



## Future model



Organized around outcomes and customers



Use technology to redefine the role and interaction (Government as a platform)



Integrate deeply with the private sector from inception and throughout



Endorse agile organization with continuous re-skilling



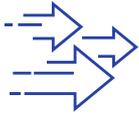
Foster collaboration and sharing to deliver E2E customer experience

# Achieving digital transformation is not easy: Organizational barriers such as siloes and culture are the most frequent

Percentage of answers; Total = 2,135 answers



# How to get it all done



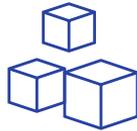
## Agile service design

Design new prioritized citizen-oriented services with agile approach for 50-75% faster success

**User journey** approach to bundle individual services

**Use of agile methods** adapted to public sector context

**Rapid delivery** of prototype for national rollout



## Scalable IT platform

Create a modern IT platform that enables fast development and launch of new digital services

**Basic components** reused in all service journeys (e.g., digital ID, secure mail)

**Binding technical standards** for interoperability and security

**Integration with public registers** and databases



## Smart program management

Build alignment and effectively coordinate departments and geographic units

**Joint vision** established in a collaborative process

**One implementation method** with division of labor

**Consistent user focus** as leading decision criterion

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# Which citizen engagement and digital services themes are you most excited to explore during the ICC?

## Individuals



Engage in the community



Entertain



Work



Learn



Live



Manage health



Move



Manage family

## Businesses



Trade support



Establishing businesses



Promotion and marketing



Build capabilities

# Where do you see the biggest challenges to successfully deploying these solutions?

- Technical implementation
- Organizational culture and agility
- Convincing customers (residents and businesses) of benefits
- Data privacy and data security concerns
- Ensuring equitable reach and access to the public
- Other – please specify

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## Questions for discussion

**Added value of customer / citizen orientation** – What opportunities does a stronger customer / citizen orientation offer for citizens, businesses and the administration?

**The citizens and businesses as a customer** – Where is your city and what are the most important priorities on your journey to becoming a citizen-friendly administration?

**Digitalisation as a solution** – What role does digitisation play in the citizen and business experience?