



UNIVERSAL BIRTH & DEATH REGISTRATION FOR SECURE IDENTITY SYSTEM: UNDERSTANDING THE BUSINESS

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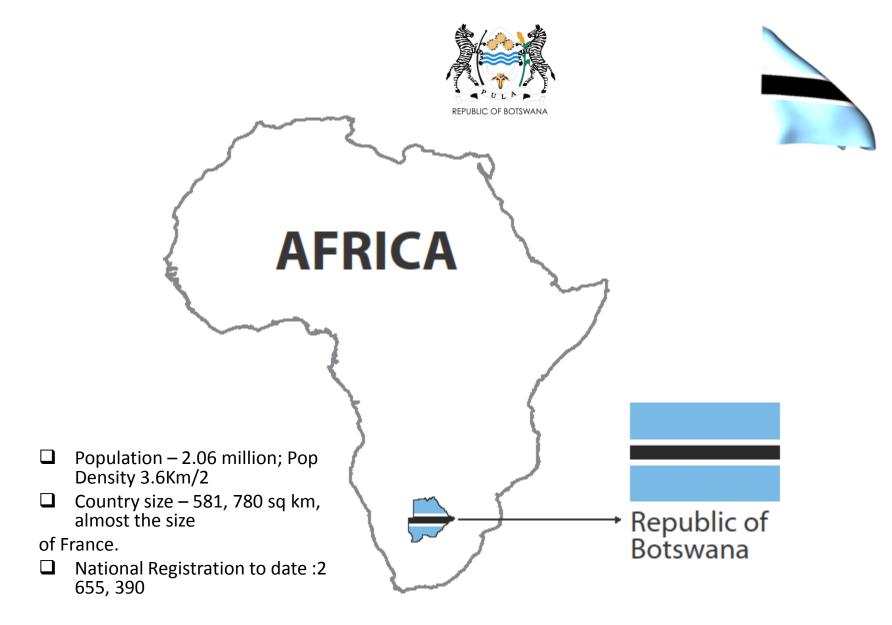
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BACKGROUND

The Right to Identity

- The right to identity and nationality are firmly embedded in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Convention on the Rights of the Child
- The possession of an identity is a precondition for full citizenship
- Botswana Government has obliged to ensure enjoyment of these most fundamental rights through legislation and operation





LEGAL FRAMEWORK AND PROCESSES

REGISTRATION PRINCIPLES BY BOTSWANA LAW:

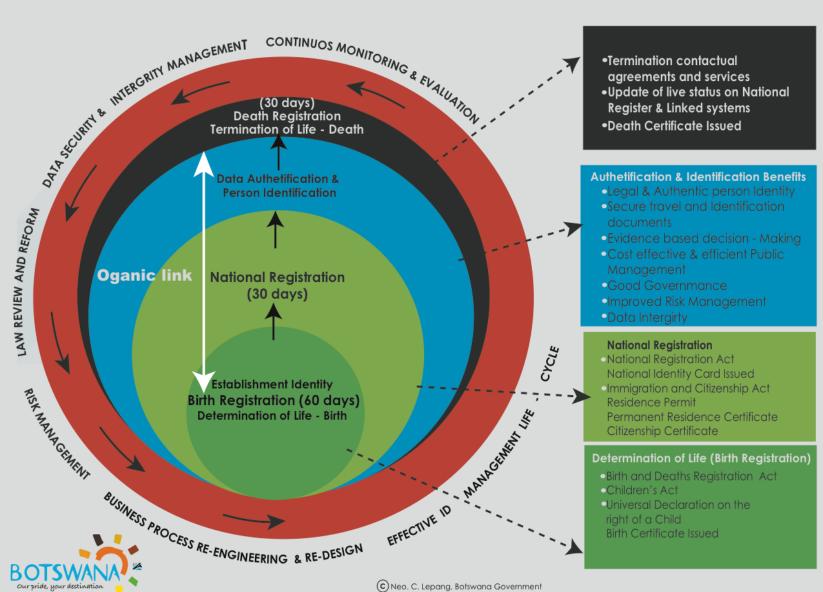
- □ Mandatory nature and targeting full coverage
- □ Time bound;
- Continuous and permanent nature;
- □ Confidentiality

ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT

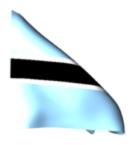
- Single registration with unique ID number allocated at birth facilitating multiple use and terminating at death
- One Registrar for both Civil and National Registration advantage synchronization of processes and decision- making
- □ Organic Link between registrations of births; National and death;
- Birth registration a foundation for identity resulting in authentic and secure identity with ID card issued at 16 years
- On-site registration and immediate issuance of certificates for births and deaths at health facilities



COMPREHENSIVE IDENTITY MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK: CASE OF BOTSWANA







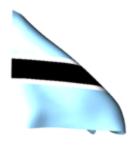
challenges

- Delayed and late registrations results in Incomplete registers and undermine data integrity as well as delayed access to public services
- □ The high value attached to ID predisposes to risks :
- The need to constantly maintain set service standards require continuous improvement and standardisation of policy, processes, procedures and resources = requires efficient management of the supply side and resources are not always sufficient
- □ Limited resources including expertise
- Unreported historical deaths









Way forward

- People Hub or central data repository for authentication and validation of person data beyond Government to include Private sector – project on-going
- Project to enhance validation of identity using source data to reduce exposure to counterfeit documents
- Controlled data sharing and authentication through legislation such as Data Protection; Electronic Signatures now at Bill stage



