



National Digital strategy Plan 2025 - 2029

“The Framework for Digital Transformation”

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INTRODUCTION

- The National Digital Strategy (NDS)
- a comprehensive blueprint for the Country
 - to harness digital technologies for economic growth, social inclusion, and overall societal advancement



HIGH LEVEL STATEMENTS



To empower Namibians to thrive in a digital era by strategically leveraging digital innovations for national development.



1. To create a roadmap.
2. To bridge the digital divide.
3. To promote digital literacy.
4. To provide citizen-centric digital public services.
5. Create opportunities for all



1. Whole of Society
2. Sustainability
3. Agility





Challenges

- Outdated/ inadequate digital infrastructure,
- Inadequate digital skills and education
- Outdated/ absent legislative and policy framework
- Access to electricity/ affordability
- Access to ICT services/ affordability
- Mobile broadband penetration
- E-government roll out
- Low level of digitisation activities and integration of local content
- Low intensity of mobile apps development
- Security Concerns
- Financial constraints/ investment in ICT



POLICY ALIGNMENT

Thematic Area	Policy/Regulation/Strategy
National Development Plans	Presidential 4IR Commission Report
	Harambee Prosperity Plan II (HPP2)
	National Development Plan
	Vision 2030 for the Republic of Namibia
Digital Financial Services	National Payment System Vision and Strategy (2021–2025)
	Electronic Transactions Act 4 of 2019
E-Government	E-government Strategic Action Plan 2014–2018
	IT Policy for the Public Service 2008
	E-government Policy for the Public Service 2005



POLICY ALIGNMENT

Thematic Area	Policy/Regulation/Strategy
Broadband Development	Namibia Broadband Policy (2018–2022)
	Universal Service and Access Policy (2013)
	Overarching ICT Policy 2009 (OICTP 2009)
Cybersecurity	National Cybersecurity Strategy and Awareness Raising Plan 2022–2027
	Cybercrime Bill
Access to Information	Access to Information Act, 2022 (Act No. 8 of 2022)
	Access to Information Regulations



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Thematic Area	Policy/Regulation/Strategy
Communication	Government Communication Strategy 2022–2027
	Communications Amendment Act, 2020 (Act No. 6 of 2020)
	Electronic Transactions Act 4 of 2019 (Partially Enacted 2020)
Draft Legislation/Strategies	Draft Data Protection Bill
	Digital Government Strategic Roadmap for Namibia 2024–2026
	Cybercrime Bill



ALIGNMENT

United Nations Agenda 2030

Global strategy on digital health (2020-2025):

AU Digital Transformation Strategy for Africa (2020-2030)

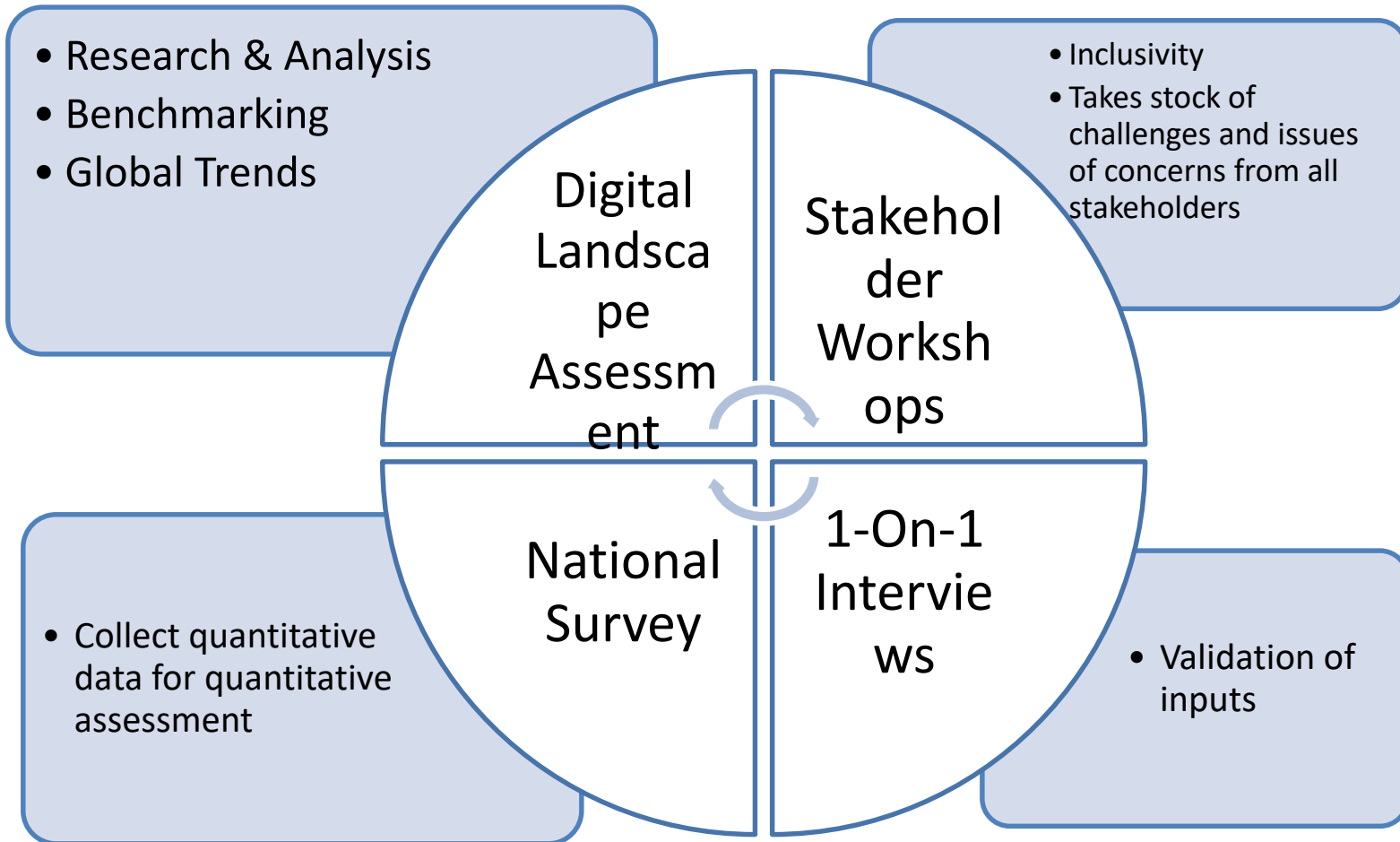
e-SADC Strategic Framework

Broadband Commission





METHODOLOGY/APPROACH





STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

VISION

Empower Namibians to thrive in a digital era by strategically leveraging digital innovations for national development.

MISSION

Realise a future where the benefits of digitalisation extend across the nation in the next 5 years; bridging the digital divide, promoting digital literacy, access digital public services and creating greater economic opportunities for all Namibians.

PILLAR 1



Digital
Infrastructure

PILLAR 2



Digital Skills

PILLAR 3



Digital
Government

PILLAR 4



Industry and
Innovation

PILLAR 4



Policy and
Regulation

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES

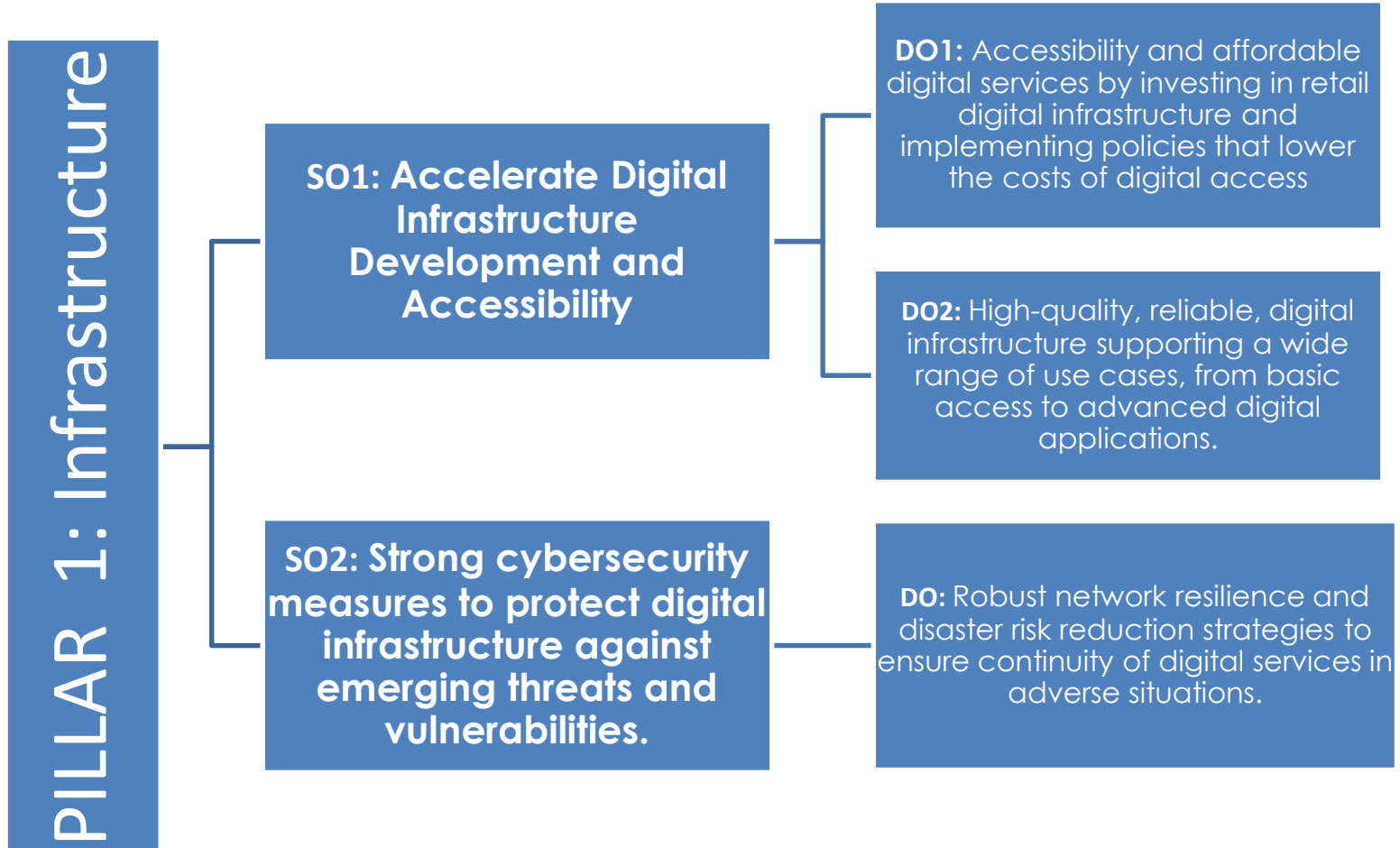
Gender and Youth | Cybersecurity | Emerging Technology

FOUNDATIONAL VALUES

Whole-of-society approach | Sustainability | Agility



PILLAR FOCUS





PILLAR FOCUS

PILLAR 2: Digital Skills

SO1: Basic Literacy

DO: Basic digital literacy among all age groups, ensuring that every citizen can navigate the digital world with confidence.

SO2: Digital Pedagogies and ICT Curriculum Reform

DO: Students are equipped with the skills required for innovation and problem-solving in a digital context.



PILLAR FOCUS

PILLAR 2: Digital Skills

SO3: Educational Administration and Staff Capacity

DO: Capacitate digitally literate educators and administrators, focusing on the adoption of digital tools and resources in educational settings, thereby enhancing the quality and relevance of education.

SO4: Demand-led Skilling and Job Creation

DO: Prepare individuals for the digital economy, emphasizing hands-on, practical experience.



PILLAR FOCUS

PILLAR 3: Digital Government

S01: Digital Identity

DO: Empower Namibians with a unique digital ID which will form the core requirement to access digital public services.

S02: Digital Public Services

DO: Increased government data sharing to allow for improved accessibility and efficiency of public services through a single gateway portal for digital public services.



PILLAR FOCUS

PILLAR 3: Digital Government

S03: Change Management and Public Sector Capacity

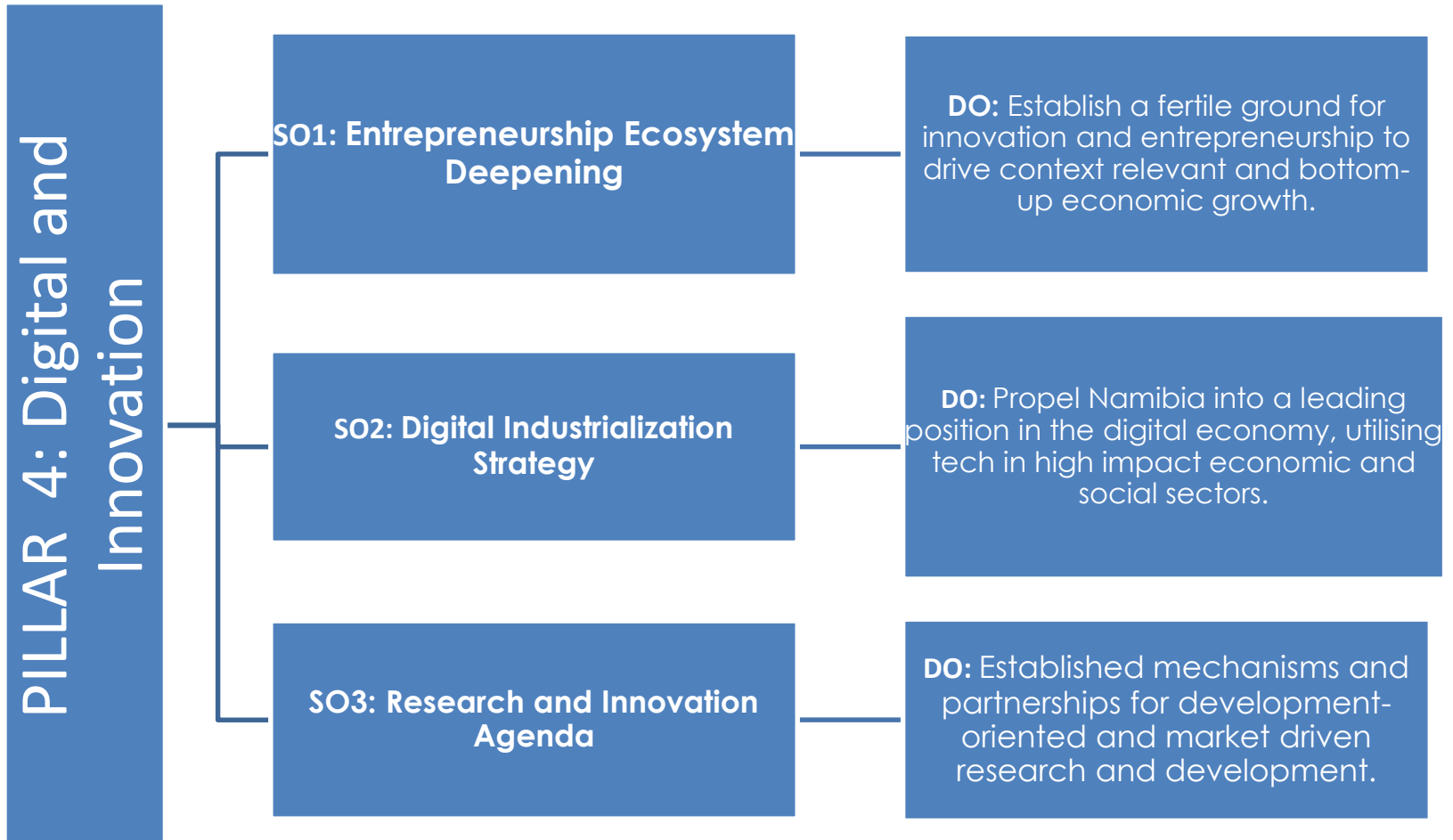
DO: Train a digitally literate public service that are champions of digital government with competent public sector IT specialists to maintain the government's IT infrastructure

S04: Government Data Centre and Cloud Plan

DO: Design proactive government data storage plans to ensure critical public digital infrastructure is secure and resilient.



PILLAR FOCUS





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PILLAR 5: Policy & Regulation

SO1: Emerging Technology Governance

DO: Ensuring that innovation is nurtured while implementing necessary security measures and ethical safeguards.

SO2: Adoption of Outstanding Legislation

DO: Adoption and implementation of this legislation creates an enabling environment for Namibia to leverage digital technologies for economic growth, innovation, and enhanced public service delivery

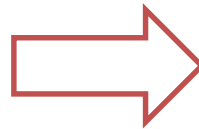
SO3: Regulatory Sandboxes

DO: Accelerated regulation of emerging digital services through responsive regulatory innovation



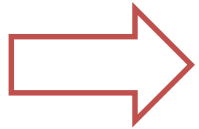
IMPLEMENTATION: GOVERNANCE MODEL

Ministry of ICT leadership provides high-level oversight on the development of the NDS.



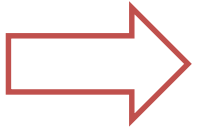
MICT

The Steering Committee, called the 'Executive Think Tank' of the NDS is the coordination body for the implementation and monitoring of the Strategy.



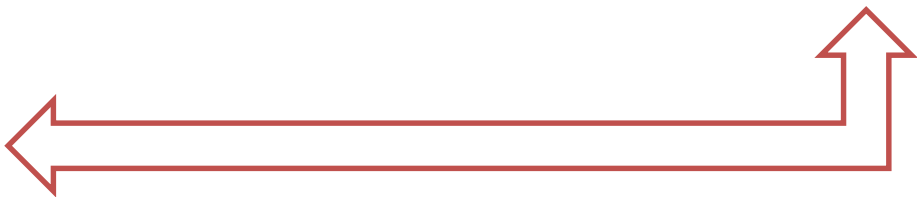
**National Digital
Strategy Executive
Think Tank**

Implementation Stakeholders are entities involved with strategic actions in the implementation plan.



**Implementation
Stakeholders**

MICT provides secretariat to support to the bodies involved in the strategy implementation.





IMPLEMENTATION: ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

	Role	Example	Responsibility	Engagement
1	NDS Patron	Minister of ICT	Confirms timelines, resources and makes final decisions	As required.
2	Steering Committee	Executive Think Tank	Strategic guidance on sectors Review, draft material.	Regular engagement through meetings and reviews and consultations
3	Implementation partners	Academia OMAs Private sector	Project implementation	When necessary

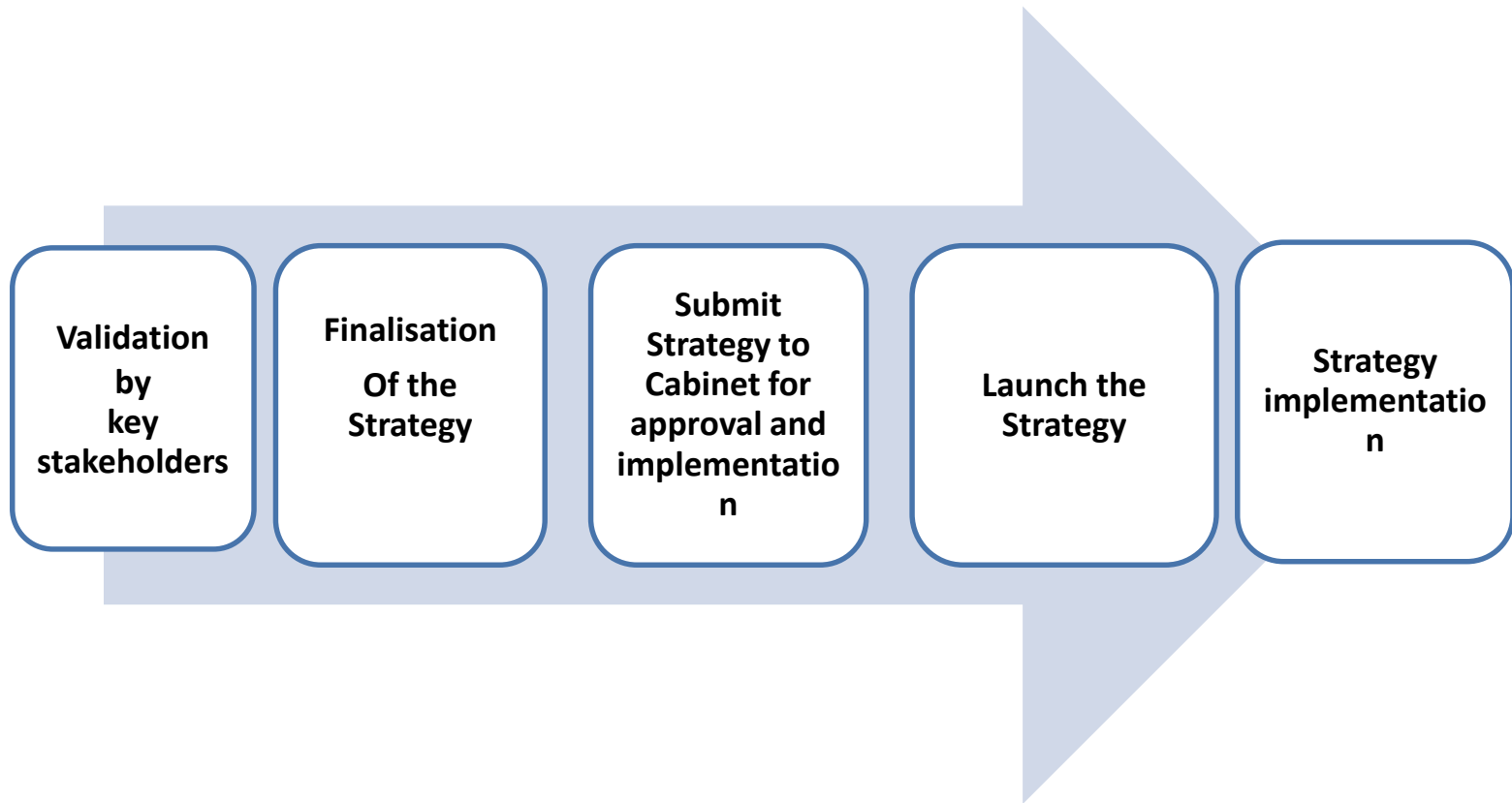


MONITORING, EVALUATION AND REPORTING APPROACH

Report	Prepared By	Submitted to
Quarterly Progress Report	M&E Sub Committee	NDSETT
Annual Report	NDSETT	Ministry of ICT
Mid Term Evaluation	NDSETT	Ministry of ICT
End term Evaluation	Minister of ICT	Cabinet



WAY FORWARD



THANK YOU!

Q & A?