

## Governance



Constructive links between the public sector, civil society and the private sector promote effective governance principles and improve the protection of human rights throughout the developing world.

Cardno's experience in governance spans a range of initiatives aimed at sustainably improving public sector management, strengthening law and justice, achieving greater efficiency in government services, increasing private sector development, protecting human rights and creating a greater role for autonomous systems of civil society. Transparency, accountability and participation are key objectives of the projects and programs we design and implement.

In the law and justice sector, we have strengthened the planning and technical capacity of police, courts, attorneys-general and correctional services, and assisted these agencies to develop and implement accountable and transparent policies and procedures. Our programs have enhanced

central agencies' economic and resource management at national levels and worked with provincial and local levels to improve public sector effectiveness and efficiency.

Civil society participation is critical to good governance and Cardno offers experience in a complementary range of support mechanisms relating to decentralisation and strengthening of local governance. Our work focuses on collaboratively developing consultative mechanisms that involve local government and civil society in decision making, with the aim of increasing responsiveness at all levels of government. This strategy builds capacity and performance of governments and NGOs.

To progress good governance, Cardno programs include:

- ▶ Supporting the development of legal and administrative frameworks that promote good governance
- ▶ Strengthening the capacity of senior officials within Ministries to become more effective and accountable
- ▶ Strengthening policies, systems and procedures that improve equitable resource allocation and improved planning and budgeting

- ▶ Implementing reforms across the public and private sectors that support the rights of the community to safety, justice and a viable income
- ▶ Enhancing the skills and capacities of senior officials and their provincial colleagues in advanced data collection and analysis to support the design of frameworks with embedded evaluation methodologies
- ▶ Examining techniques for identifying key stakeholders and for implementing wider and more inclusive consultation processes as part of information collection techniques for policy development and program implementation.

Good governance provides the foundations for lasting development outcomes. Cardno works to strengthen government services, public sector management, accountability, transparency and rule of law in partner countries around the globe.



Cardno manages programs in partnership with government agencies to build strong, self-reliant and responsive mechanisms of support for civil society.

### Law and Justice Sector Program, Papua New Guinea

**Client** AusAID

**Company** Cardno Acil

This Program's aim is to promote the rule of law through improved service delivery in the law and justice sector in Papua New Guinea and provides overarching technical and management support to enable:

- ▶ Partnerships between formal and traditional justice systems
- ▶ Integrated national development priorities such as gender equality, human rights and HIV and AIDS prevention
- ▶ Institutional strengthening of formal law and justice agencies in planning, finance, human resources and corporate functions.

### Electoral Support Program Phase 2, Papua New Guinea

**Client** AusAID

**Company** Cardno Acil

Initiated by the Government of Papua New Guinea, this Program supports reform and improvement to the national electoral system. Cardno Acil is providing strategic direction in the planning and implementation of a political, economic and social analysis that will inform improvements including:

- ▶ Reform of the electoral system in PNG
- ▶ Development of electoral policy and capacity of the PNG Electoral Commission
- ▶ Increased voter awareness and understanding of the electoral system.

### Technical Assistance Services to the Solomon Islands Government, NAO Program Management Unit, Solomon Islands

**Client** Ministry of National Planning and Human Resources Development

**Donor** European Commission (EC)

**Company** Cardno Agrisystems

Cardno Agrisystems provided technical assistance to the Ministry of National Planning and Human Resources Development to support their leading of the design and execution of the Government's European Union-funded sector investment program. This involved:

- ▶ Strengthening the capacity of the Ministry officials
- ▶ Supporting reorganisation and reform within the Ministry.

### Increasing the Financial Management Capacity of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Georgia

**Client** Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Georgia

**Donor** European Commission (EC)

**Company** Cardno Agrisystems

Cardno Agrisystems works with Ministers and officials to assist in improving budget and financial management capacity in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food. The Project aims to improve:

- ▶ Budgetary processes including preparation, execution, monitoring and evaluation
- ▶ Links with the Ministry of Finance
- ▶ Capacity of the Department of Strategic Policy Development through targeted training in budgeting and financial management.

### Philippines Australia Local Sustainability Program Phase 1 and Phase 2

**Client** AusAID

**Company** Cardno Acil

Working with provincial government, municipalities and communities to support collaboration between Local Government Units (LGUs), Non-Government Organisations (NGOs), People's Organisations and the private sector to prioritise development needs, Cardno Acil is implementing the Program in order to strengthen:

- ▶ Planning processes and development activities to improve LGU service efficiency and individual livelihoods.
- ▶ Planning and local management of resources for the promotion of sustainable community livelihoods
- ▶ Partnerships and collaboration between LGUs, NGOs, People's Organisations and the private sector
- ▶ Access to resources and services for vulnerable groups, including women and indigenous people.

### About Cardno

Cardno is an integrated professional services provider, delivering specialist advice to create or improve physical and social infrastructure that underpins communities around the globe. Our team is comprised of leading advisors who plan, design, manage and deliver sustainable projects and programs.

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