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Design of Chart of Accounts

A poorly designed chart of accounts weakens PFM systems, **but**

A well designed Chart of Accounts strengthens PFM systems *through*

- Improved budget processes
 - Improved control
 - Improved accountability
 - Use of country systems
- Consolidation of public finances

What Should a COAs Do?

- Allow the capture of high level expenditure/revenue information for appropriation control
- Allow the capture of detailed expenditure/revenue information for management/internal control and audit purposes
- Provide a framework for recording and reporting on other financial stocks and flows such as assets and liabilities
- Facilitate the production of predefined reports for a variety of user requirements

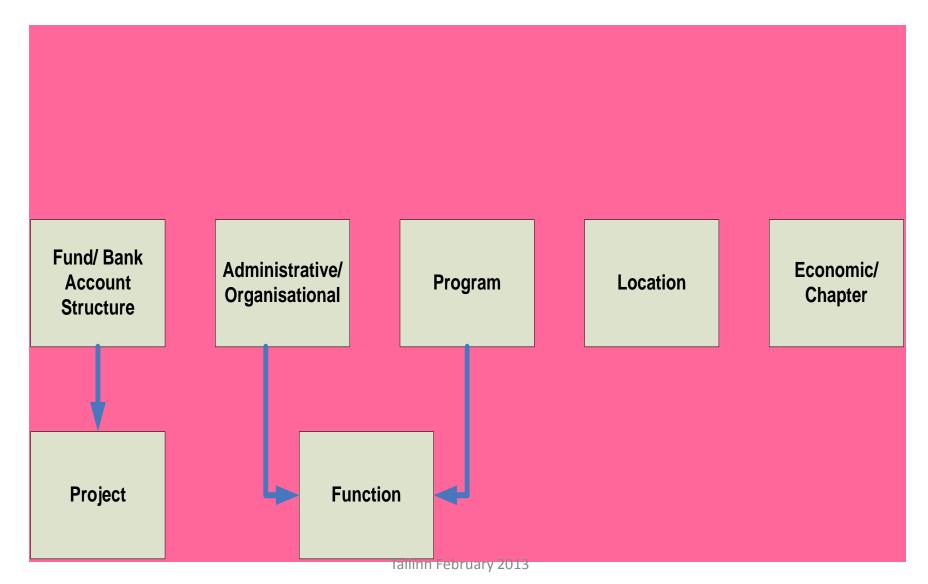
What Should a COAs Do? (cont...)

- Facilitate the production of user-defined reports as required
- Allow international comparison and reporting, including GFS 2001
- Facilitate the production of consolidated and detailed reporting
- Support strategic planning and results-based analysis

Key Questions in Building a COAs (and in identifying core elements)

- > What is the money collected for?
- > Where does the money come from?
- > What is the nature of the spending?
- > Who collects and spends the money?
- > Where is the money spent?
- > What reports are required by all users?

Structural Representation of the Segments of a COAs

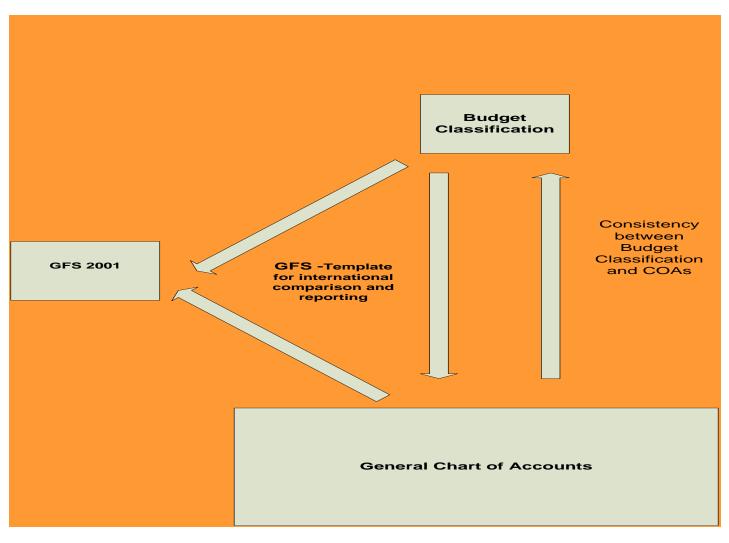


Evolution of CoAs The Advent of the Relational Database

Traditional manual system involved "physical" ledger books

- This meant that the CoAs/BC had to be relatively simple it would be difficult to record more than two elements in a manual cashbook (e.g. beyond organisation and economic)
- The advent of automation has allowed multiple relationships to be defined.
 - Many countries have implemented a new IFMIS but retained the old budget classification and CoAs, or in developing a new CoAs, the old manual principles have defined the way the CoAs was designed

Possible Relationship between GFS and Government Financial Requirements



General Structure of GFS 2001 The Five Components



What is Required in a Good Budget?

Accurate Forecast of Revenues

Estimate of Recurrent Expenditures

Estimate of Capital Expenditures

Surplus or Deficit

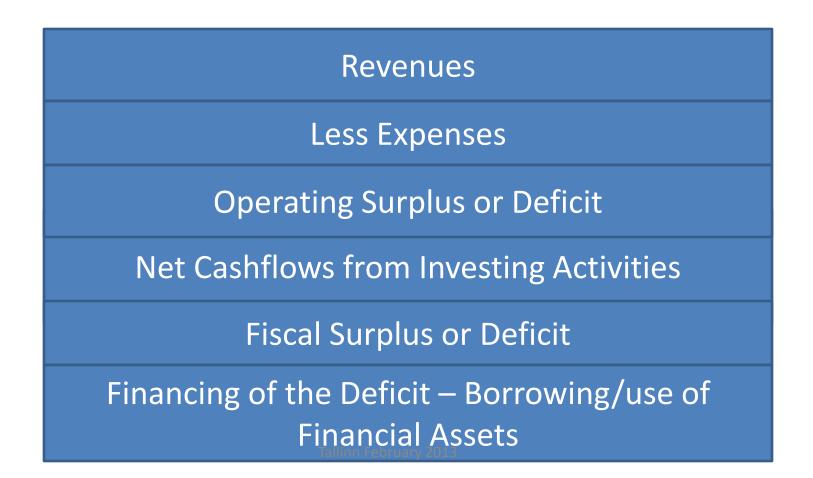
Financing of the Deficit – Borrowing/use of Financial Assets

A Good Budget Structure Matched to GFS 2001

| Accurate Forecast of Revenues | 1 Revenues |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Estimate of Recurrent Expenditures | 2 Expenses |
| Estimate of Capital Expenditures | 31 NF Assets |
| Surplus or Deficit | |
| Financing of the Deficit – Borrowing/use of Financial Assets | 32/33 F Assets/ Liabilities |

Fiscal Balances

The important report required each day to monitor budget performance



Fiscal Balance Compared to GFS 2001

| Revenues | 1 Revenues |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Less Expenses | 2 Expenses |
| Operating surplus or deficit | |
| Net Cashflows from Investing Activities | 31 NF Assets |
| Fiscal Surplus or Deficit | |
| Financing of the Deficit – Borrowing/use of financial assets | 32/33 F Assets/ Liabilities |

Cashflow Statement

Opening Cash Position

Cashflows from Revenue

Less Cashflows from Expenses

Net Operating Cashflows

Net Cashflows from Investing Activities (acquisition/ sale of non financial assets)

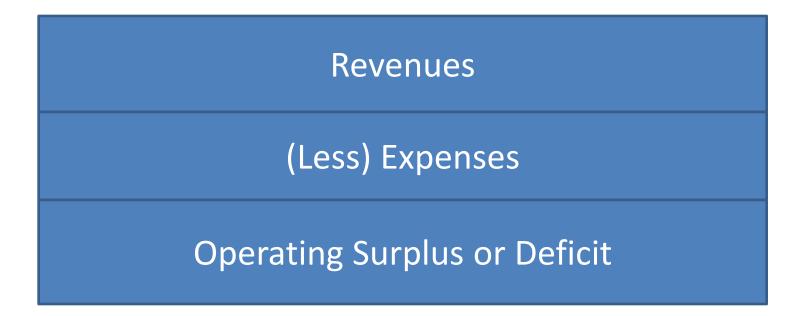
Net Cashflows from Financing Activities (acquisition and disposal from financial assets and liabilities)

Closing Cash Position

Cashflow Statement

| Opening Cash Position | |
|--|------------------|
| Cashflows from Revenue | 1 Revenues |
| Less Cashflows from Expenses | 2 Expense |
| Net Operating Cashflows | |
| Net Cashflows from Investing Activities (acquisition/ sale of non financial assets) | 31 NFA |
| Net Cashflows from Financing Activities (acquisition and disposal from financial assets and liabilities) | 32/33 FA/Liab |
| Closing Cash Position | |

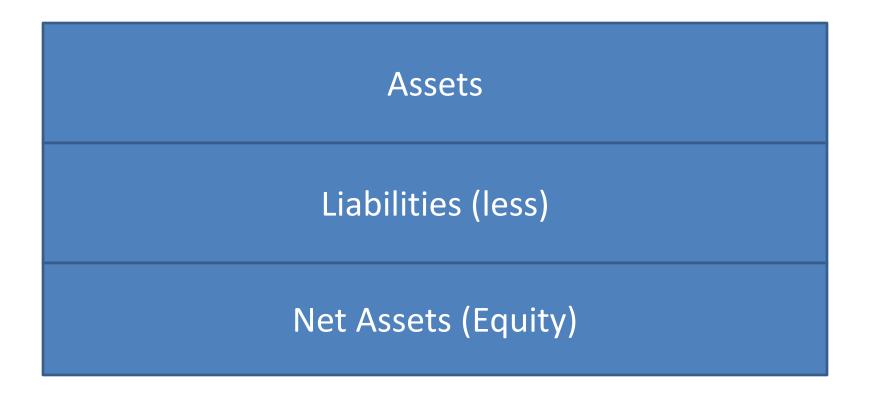
Operating Statement



Operating Statement Compared to GFS 2001

| Revenues | 1 Revenues |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| (Less) Expenses | 2 Expenses |
| Operating Surplus or Deficit | |

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Balance Sheet)



Statement of Assets and Liabilities Compared to GFS 2001

| Assets | 31/32 Assets |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Liabilities (Less) | 33 Liabilities |
| Net Assets (Equity) | |

GFS 2001 – The Structure

- It supports a well formulated budget
- It allows daily monitoring of the fiscal position
- It supports cashflow management and forecasting
- It supports IPSAS cash modified cash or accrual or full accrual
 - The structure is logical and comprehensive for economic management and reporting

Consolidation issues *What is meant by Consolidation?*

- Consolidation of funds
- Consolidation of bank accounts
- Consolidation of cash management
- Consolidation of recurrent and capital/recurrent budgets
- Consolidation of reporting

Consolidation in management and accounting is the key to consolidation in reporting

