



SUSTAINABILITY OF
OUT-OF-COUNTRY
VOTING MODELS

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INTRODUCTION

❖ Out of Country Voting (OCV), also referred to as external voting, can be defined as: provisions and procedures which enable some or all electors of a country who are temporarily or permanently outside the country to exercise their voting rights from outside the territory of the country.

- ❖ International treaties and conventions.
- ❖ Enhancement of universal and equal suffrage.
- ❖ Models – country and case specific
- ❖ Considerations



MODELS

- ❖ Embassy Voting
- ❖ External Polls
- ❖ Postal Voting
- ❖ Electronic Voting
- ❖ Proxy Voting




CONSIDERATIONS - TECHNICAL

- ❖ Institutions Contested
- ❖ Apportionment and representation of external voters
- ❖ Eligibility criteria
- ❖ Timelines
- ❖ Additional technical or practical considerations



CONSIDERATIONS - POLITICAL

- ❖ Size of population
- ❖ Make up of population
- ❖ Location and distribution of population
- ❖ Perceptions – reliable and secure
- ❖ Campaigning
- ❖ Observation
- ❖ Methodology



CONSIDERATIONS - SUSTAINABILITY

- ❖ Cost – related to many of the issues already mentioned
- ❖ Normal and additional
- ❖ Cost per voter
- ❖ National budget
- ❖ Timing
- ❖ Technical Vs Political Vs Sustainability



SUMMARY

- ❖ Country and case specific
- ❖ Inclusive decision making and design
- ❖ Addresses needs
- ❖ Simple and careful design
- ❖ Integrity, transparent and accurate
- ❖ Safeguards
- ❖ Confidence of stakeholders
- ❖ Informed electorate
- ❖ Review



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