E-GP IMPLEMENTATION TYPES WITH A FOCUS ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT

BLANDINE WU CHEBILI & HUNT LA CASCIA

SENIOR PROCUREMENT SPECIALISTS - GOVERNANCE – THE WORLD BANK



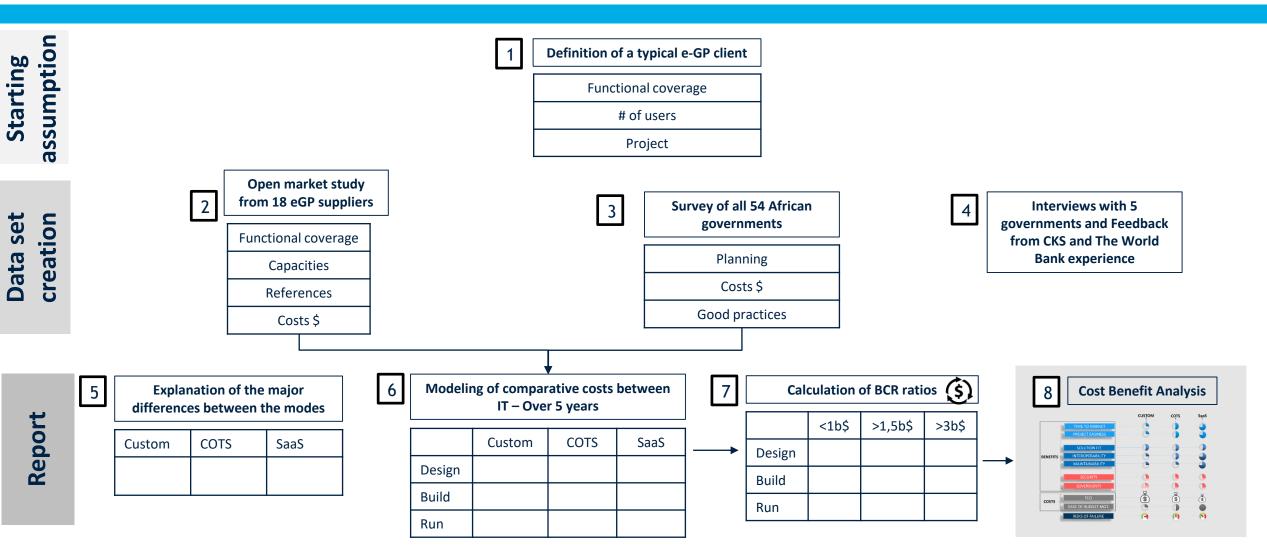
This is not an ADB material. The views expressed in this document are the views of the author/s and/or their organizations and do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of the Asian Development Bank, or its Board of Governors, or the governments they represent. ADB does not guarantee the accuracy and/or completeness of the material's contents, and accepts no responsibility for any direct or indirect consequence of their use or reliance, whether wholly or partially. Please feel free to contact the authors directly should you have queries.

CONTENT

- CONTEXT, OBJECTIVES & METHODOLOGY USED
- PRESENTATION OF THE 3 IMPLEMENTATION TYPES
- E-GP EDITORS MARKET SURVEY
- COST MODELING & BENEFITS COSTS RATIOS
- RESULTS OF THE COST BENEFITS ANALYSIS

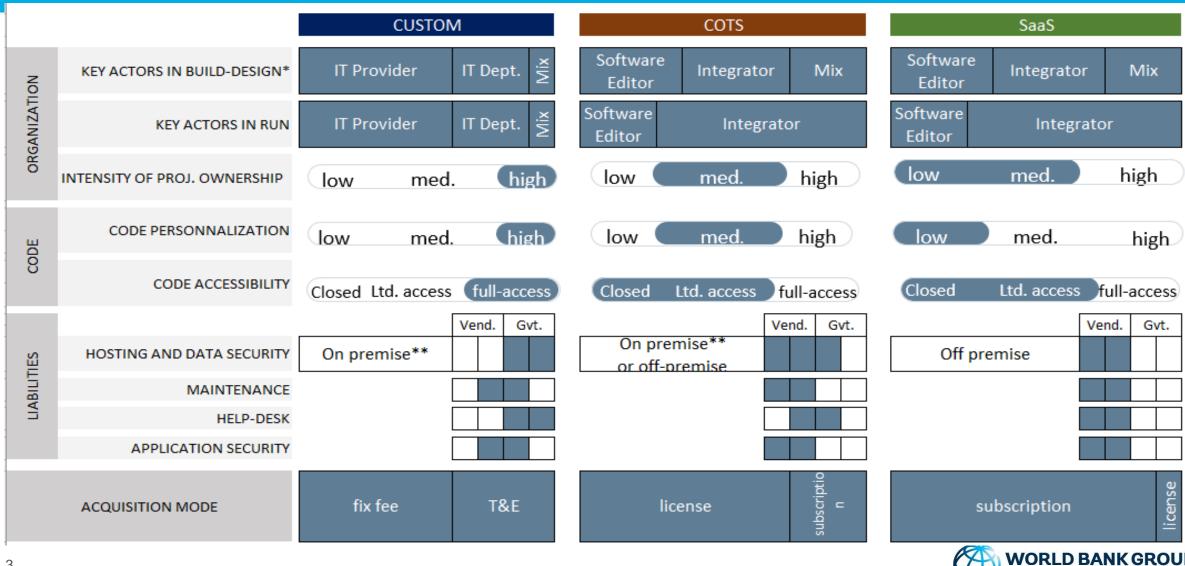


Methodology used to compare the 3 implementation types





CSW vs COTS vs SaaS

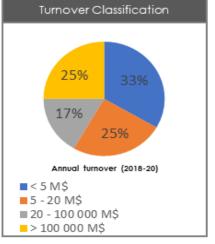


Market survey: Profiles of the e-GP editors

Country classification				
The United-States of America	11			
France	4			
The United-Kingdom	4			
Canada	2			
Finland	2			
India	2			
Other	11			

Workforce Classification				
36% 33%				
25%				
# of employees				
■ < 20	20 - 100			
■100-500	■ > 500			

Creation Date Classification				
2020 and after	0			
From 2010 to 2020	5			
From 2005 to 2010	5			
From 2000 to 2005	8			
From 1995 to 2000	8			
From 1990 to 1995	2			
From 1980 to 1990	5			
Prior to 1980	3			





Most suppliers are from **North America** (USA and Canada) and **Europe**.



Leading firms of the global Source to Pay suites editor market.

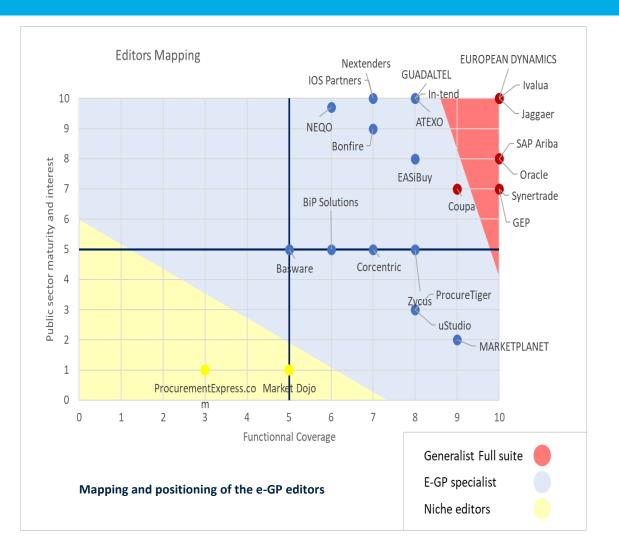
Subsidiary of larger corporations

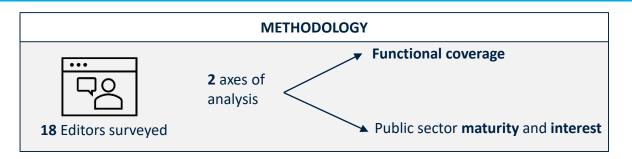


Medium aged companies: Most were created between 1995 and 2005.



Three different types of e-GP editors

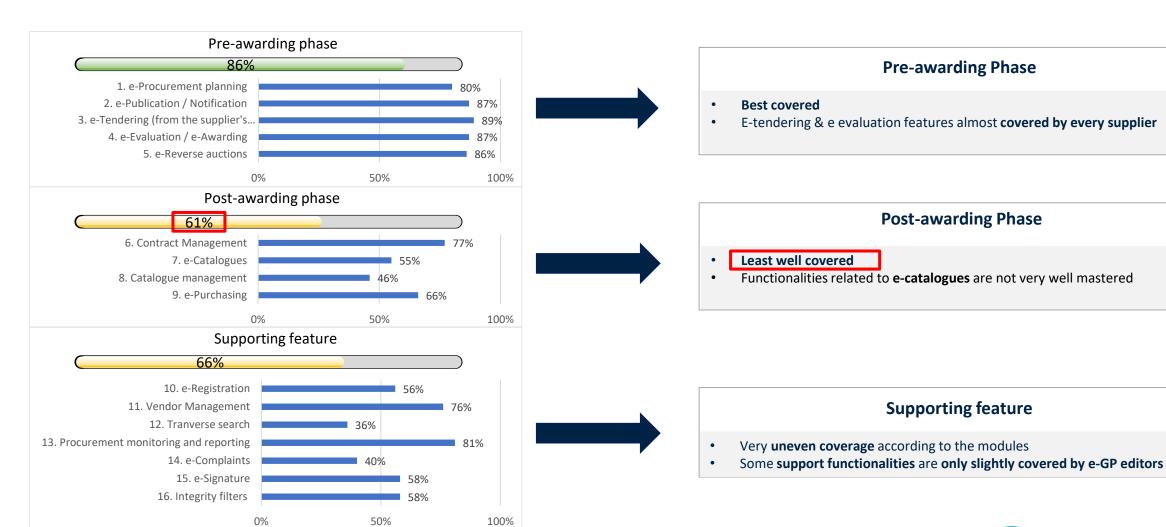




	Generalist full suite	E-GP Specialist	Limited scope suppliers
Functional coverage	Cover most of the required functionalities	 Cover less modules than Generalist Offer more advanced feature in their areas of specialization 	 Cover only a small part of the expected e-GP features. However, their expertise on their functional coverage is recognized.
Public sector maturity & interest	 Not the best positioned. But increasing interest for the public sector 	 Major maturity/interest for the public sector Cover the core e-GP features 	Do not necessarily aim at public procurement entities.



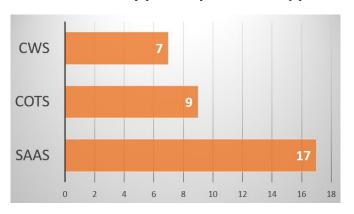
Market coverage of main e-GP functional areas





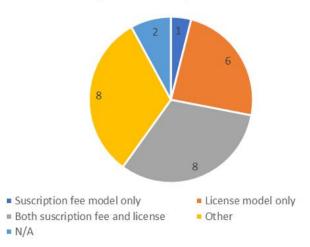
Market analysis

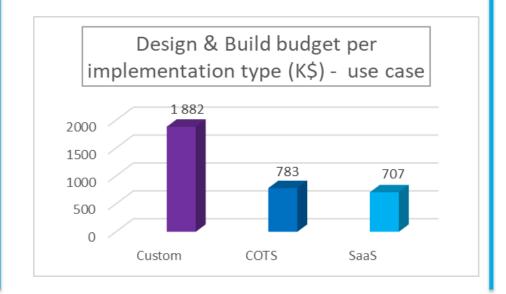
Number of suppliers per e-GP type



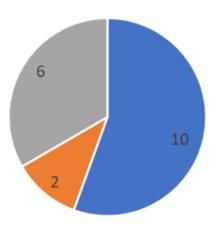
Average Shift compared to initial schedule +20% Maximum observed Minimum observed

Number of providers by financial model





On-premise implementation experiences



- Editors who have already implemented their solution on-premise
- Editors who have never implemented their solution onpremise but would consider to doing so
- Editors who have never implemented their solution onpremise and would not consider to doing so

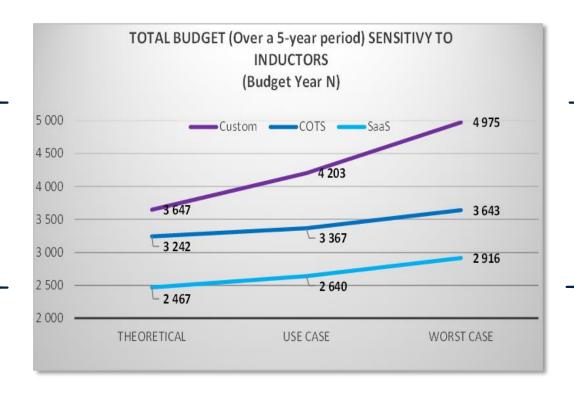


Total cost per implementation type over 5 years

Total cost CUSTOM e-GP projects = +60% than SaaS projects

Total cost CUSTOM e-GP projects = +25% than COTS projects with low level of customizations

Costs of managing corrective maintenance, technical infrastructure, and various layers = Higher in the CUSTOM/COTS mode than in the SaaS mode.



Cost to maintain and administer = Much more expensive in CUSTOM and COTS types

Costs of upgrades = Much more expensive in CUSTOM and COTS types (requires a complete software development)



Best return on investment

Analysis of the BCR Ratio for countries with a public procurement spending of :

< \$1 billion

Theoretical Use case Worst Case **CUSTOM** 1.26 0.94 0.59 COTS 1 57 1 37 1.05 2.20 SaaS 1.95 1.58

- ➤ Only SaaS projects provide a financial benefit in all scenarios.
- > SaaS is the most relevant implementation types for countries where public procurement does not reach a critical size.

= \$1,5 billion

	Theoretical	Use case	Worst Case
CUSTOM	2.27	1.72	1.06
COTS	2.83	2.47	1.90
SaaS	3.96	3.51	2.84

- ➤ SaaS projects are interesting to implement in any scenario with always a higher return on investment than other projects
- ➤ COTS projects remain interesting and profitable regardless of the scenario, even if the estimated returns on investment are slightly lower than those of a SaaS solutions.
- CUSTOM projects have a higher risk profile than the other two implementation types.

= \$3 billion

	Theoretical	Use case	Worst	
			Case	
CUSTOM	4,01	3,00	1,84	
COTS	4,97	4,40	3,39	
SaaS	6,84	6,02	4,53	

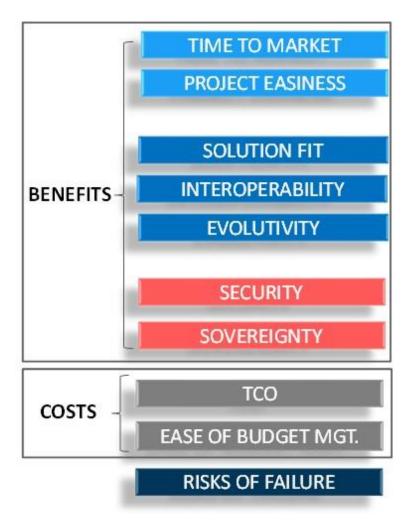
- > SaaS projects are interesting to implement in any scenario with always a higher return on investment than other projects.
- ➤ COTS projects remain interesting and profitable regardless of the scenario, even if the estimated returns on investment are slightly lower than those of a SaaS solutions.
- > CUSTOM projects have a higher risk profile than the other two implementation types.

Conclusion: Overall, the more African governments invest upfront in implementing an e-GP solution, the greater the return on investment will be



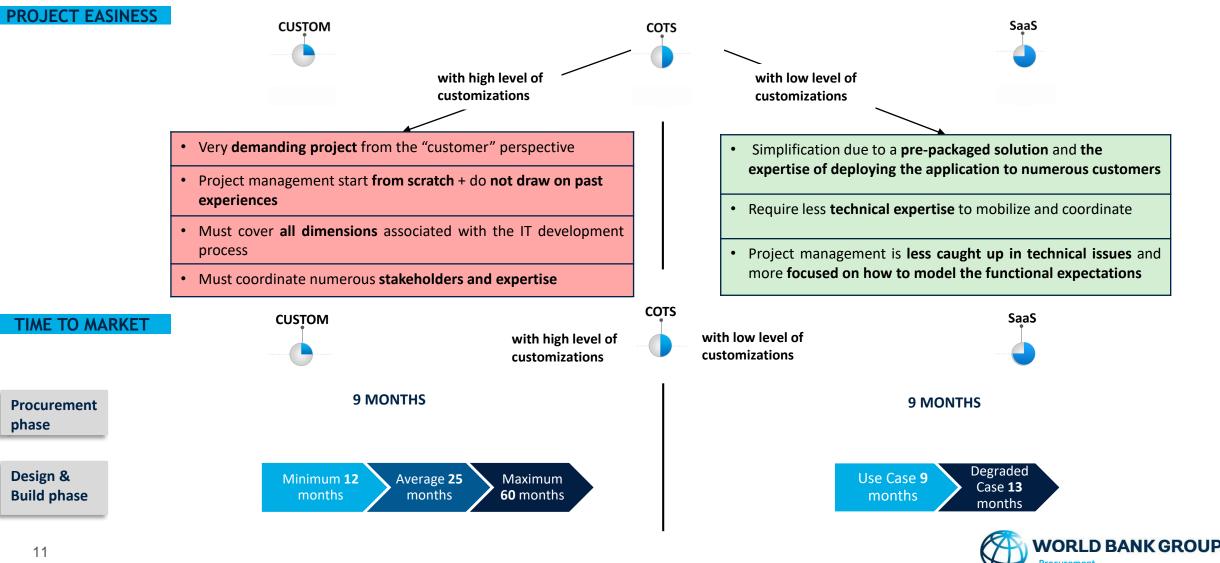
Cost benefits analysis

The comparison of the benefits and drawbacks of the three implementation types is based on the following evaluation criteria:





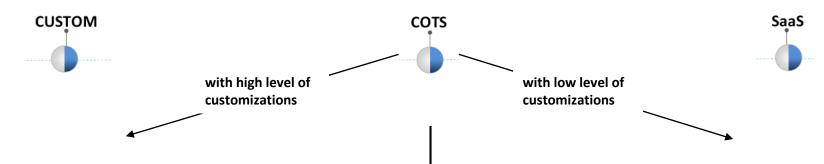
E-GP solutions with the lower level of customization are easiest to implement





None of the implementation methods is perfect and fits 100% to the needs

SOLUTION FIT



Ability to meet end-users' requirements

- All requirements can be met.
- The return on experience of e-GP solutions that have been implemented in African countries shows the difficulty of writing details functional specifications early in the development process.
 Resource and technical constraints lead to situations were not all requirements are met.

- Fulfills most needs through inspiration from best practices elsewhere
- Very specific processes can be hard to translate into the solution

Easiness of use

- **Difficult to compete** with SaaS and COTS solutions
- Hard to mobilize all the expertise required (User interface, User experience engineers)

Real face for a better "User Experience"



All 3 modes allow the customer to have control over the administration of the tool in everyday life and ensure security

SOVEREIGNTY

Data sovereignty and autonomy in the management:

Evolution of the system:

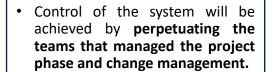
SECURITY

Security of application and infrastructure:

Security of data:

CUSTOM

On-site hosting of the solution.





On-site hosting of the solution.

Sovereignty involves a transfer of knowhow from the editor to the government **teams**. It is also possible to ask editors to commit to delivering a feature that is not currently available.

COTS





- SaaS e-GP systems are hosted in the cloud. Most SaaS e-GP editors offer a "single-tenant" architecture that guarantees the total partitioning of data between clients.
- Sovereignty involves a transfer of know-how from the editor to the government teams. It is also possible to ask editors to commit to delivering a feature that is not currently available.



Choosing a SaaS/COTS application from a trusted software editor is more secure.

Data security was frequently mentioned as a central reason for choosing CUSTOM projects by African governments.

SaaS editors are now able to provide a level of security at least equal to that of "on premise" hosting.



SaaS solution has the lowest risk of failure

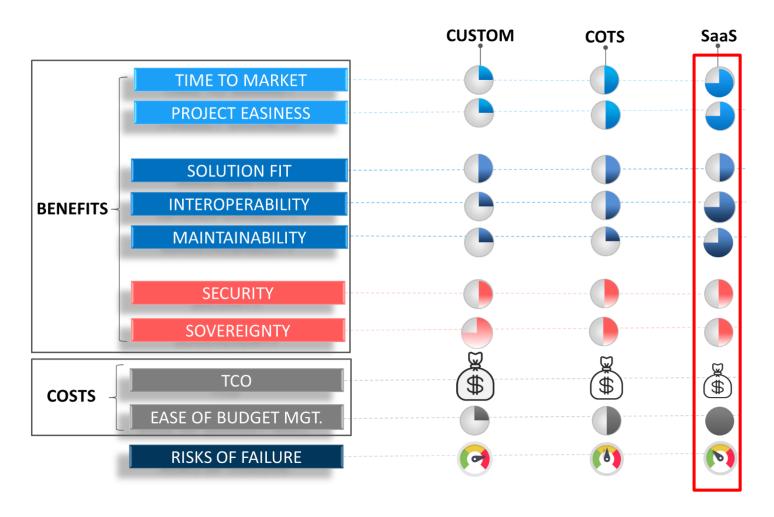
RISK OF FAILURE

	Purchasing Process Risk		Risk of Budget and Schedule Slippage		Risk of Dependency		Risk of Obsolescence	
	Criticality	Commentary	Criticalit y	Commentary	Criticality	Commentary	Criticality	Commentary
CUSTOM	++	Difficult to evaluate the ability to produce the desired application	+++	A high proportion of specific projects induce an important risk of budget and schedule slippage	+++	Higher than elsewhere	++	Difficult to follow the evolution of IT frameworks, languages, and components
COTS	++	Risk to conduct an insufficiently detailed study of the capabilities of the market's solutions + to choose a solution far from the priority	+++	A high proportion of specific projects induce an important risk of budget and schedule slippage	+	Risk of dependence on the editor. However the risk is manageable	+	COTS is confortable because upgrades of the application is a condition of long-term survival for the sofware editor.
SaaS	++	Risk to conduct an insufficiently detailed study of the capabilities of the market's solutions + to choose a solution far from the priority	+	Risk of budget and schedule slippage is moderated.	+	Risk of dependence on the editor. However the risk is manageable	+	COTS is confortable because upgrades of the application is a condition of long-term survival for the sofware editor.

<u>Criticality:</u> +: Low to moderate risk / ++: Important risk / +++: Very important risk



Cost-benefit ratio





Thank you!

