

Digital Investment Governance Framework Overview

- User focused
- Deliver defined value
- Leverage and build on existing assets

Digital Investment Principles

- Safe
- Achievable and viable
- Future focused and sustainable

List of steps to follow when making a Digital Investment

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- Projects
- Programs

Digital Direction Guidance

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- What strategic priorities agencies should align to and policies they should follow
- Roadmap of Digital Investments (future pipeline)

Tracking of Digital Investments

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- Digital Investment Register (current projects and programs tracking)

What is the Digital Investment Governance Framework (DIGF)?

The DIGF supports the delivery of Queensland Government priorities (Good Jobs, Better Services, Great Lifestyle) by providing a primary governing structure for Queensland Government Digital Investments. The Framework provides:

- principles to follow when making a digital investment
- digital direction guidance e.g., strategies and policies to be aligned to/taken into account
- steps to take when making a digital investment
- assurance alignment and framework governance that applies to the DIGF.

Who does the DIGF apply to?

- All Queensland Government agencies must follow the DIGF
- Queensland Government Statutory Bodies and Government Owned Corporations (GOCs) should have regard to the intent of the DIGF and may choose to adopt the DIGF where appropriate.

What is a digital investment?

Digital and IT-enabled investments are those where technology is the primary lever for achieving desired outcomes and benefits. These may be a program, project or an initiative.

Which digital investments does the DIGF apply to?

The DIGF applies to digital investments that meet the following criteria:

- CBRC funded investments (no exceptions), or
- investment assessed as assurance level 3 and 4 (no exceptions), or
- all investments greater than the Director-General thresholds defined by the Project Commencement Approval policy, or
- investments deemed a high risk (including those under the dollar thresholds) by an agency, the CCDO, Queensland Treasury or the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

Excluded digital investments

Excluded digital investments which are not required to follow the DIGF include:

- low risk/low value investments
- replacement of an existing application or technology using a like for like service and deployment model that is above the Project Commencement Approval policy thresholds and an exemption is granted from the CCDO, or
- operational technology (OT) that detects, monitors or controls industrial equipment, assets, processors or events, unless nominated for inclusion by an agency.

What if a digital investment is excluded from the DIGF?

For completeness, all digital investments should still be registered with QGCDG once established as a project or program. QGCDG will work with agencies to ensure accurate records of the initiatives (e.g., moving between stages, tranches, closure) are maintained.

For a digital investment that is not in-scope, an agency is still required to ensure:

- digital investment principles are applied
- digital strategic priorities are applied (where possible) and appropriate policies are applied
- best practice project and program management is applied
- gated assurance process is applied (once assurance profiling tool submitted to QGCDG, further QGCDG reviews and reporting are not required). An agency may request a review or guidance from the QGCDG concerning the investment
- Queensland Government Enterprise Architecture (QGEA) framework, tools and guidance are applied.

Does every step apply to each initiative?

No. The DIGF has been designed to allow initiatives to enter at any step, particularly where they become in-scope due a change. The agency is required to notify the QGCDG as soon as possible of a change in status for their initiatives.

PROJECT STEPS

STEP 0
Identify Investment

STEP 1
Preliminary Evaluation

STEP 2
Analyse and Plan

STEP 3
Investment Decision

STEP 4
Deliver Investment

STEP 5
Realise Investment