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# Enap: one more think tank or the first change hub in Brazil?



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But how can we really become an influential player to foster the use of evidence in Brazilian Policy making? How can we measure our influence in the use of evidence in our country?

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4 main departments: Advanced Studies, Professional Development, Executive Education and Innovation

In Brazil, both the federal and state governments have made considerable progress in recent years in terms of adopting good practices in policy evaluation and regulatory impact analysis.

#### Some initiatives:

- // Ex-ante impact assessments for all regulations with a significant economic impact
- // Consolidation of an inter-ministerial working group (CMAP) on monitoring and evaluation



These advances went beyond their use as accountability tools, having fostered the development of evidence-informed decisions and regulation improvement among public officials

#### Yet, old challenges remain in place:

- // recent results suggested that despite their high potential of absorption of scientific evidence, Brazilian high level bureaucrats rely more on internal sources of information
- // Time remains critical to determine which type of sources of information would be adopted in policymaking



These findings shed additional light on the importance of knowledge brokers inside the Executive branch that could act as providers in a timely way.



Some agencies in Brazil can rely on administrative and managerial units devoted to foster the integration of internal and external evidence into practices and activities to support government action.

Nevertheless, most ministries are not equipped with organizational structures to perform these tasks .

Enap could be a change hub and a more impactful knowledge broker for the Executive federal branch in Brazil.



#### Goal

To consolidate Enap as the first change hub and impactful knowledge broker in Brazilian Federal Government.



#### Objectives

To set 12 priority actions to be developed in the next two years

To develop one pilot project able to integrate Data Science, Graduate Studies, Evidence Organization and Research Departments activities

STRENGTHS	WEAKNESSES
My position in the institution and	
leadership support in the board of Enap	municipalities
My personal backgroung on gov tt in	Weak interaction with Parliament
Brazilian federal government	Weak interaction between areas in my
Enap´s huge mindshare between Brazilian bureaucracy	-
Team´s experience	Absence of measures of our policy impact
Successful projects and products	Low capacity to scale our successful
Capacity to partnership building	products
	Low capacity to develop new products
OPPORTUNITIES	THREATS
·	Upcoming General Elections in Brazil: amid a polarized political landscape, potential change could prevent good projects to be continued



## What am I struggling with?

- 1. Deciding what objectives can be realistically attained during the fellowship (can both be conciled?)
- 2. To map which kind of specific support the fellowship can provide me



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