



# Consultative Meeting on Access to Information Strategy

Date: Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> May 2012

Time: 2:00 – 4:30 PM

Venue: PGCT Center (Korean Cultural Center)

# Objective

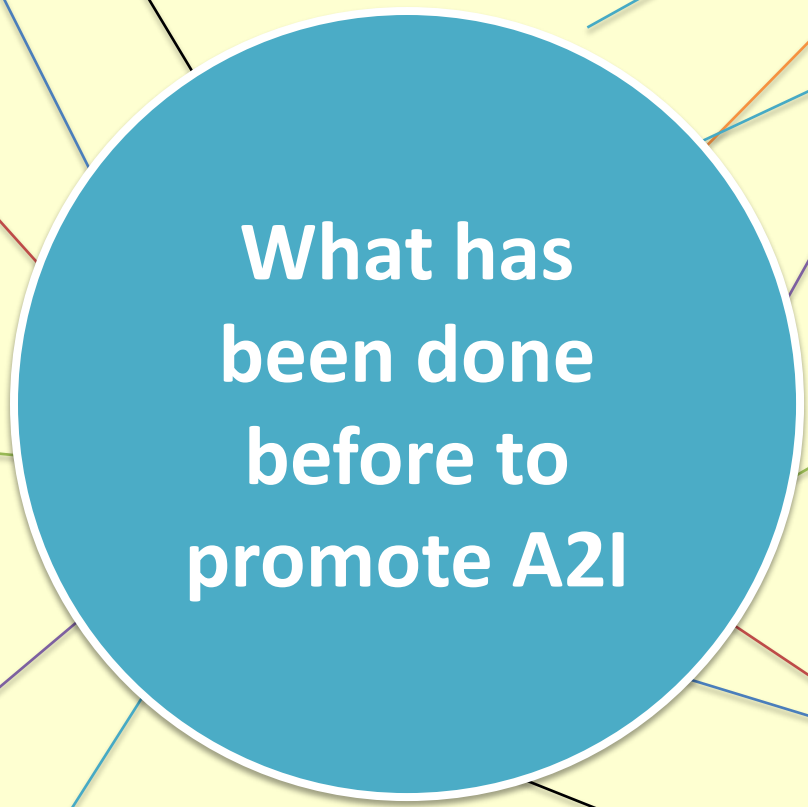
- To present and discuss on the draft advocacy strategy in support of the Access to Information Law (**A2I** also referred to as *Freedom of Information*)

# Why Access to Information Law?

- Promote good governance
- Strengthen democracy
- Encourage transparency
- Support anti-corruption efforts
- Assist in reaching millennium goals

# Benefits of passage of the law

- Supports more investment and a better economy
- Increased international status and support
- Greater public support for the government
- Leads to more participation and better decisions by citizens



API worked with MPs to educate and gain support for A2I

Legal analysis and drafted an A2I Model

Developed Advocacy Strategies

Developed A2I training curriculum and publications on A2I

Established support from UN, donors, and partners

Review of Cambodian Laws & Sub-decrees

Held A2I consultative forums

Piloted information disclosure projects in 8 communes

Media campaign

National workshops on A2I with government, donors, medias and NGOs

Develop IEC materials on A2I

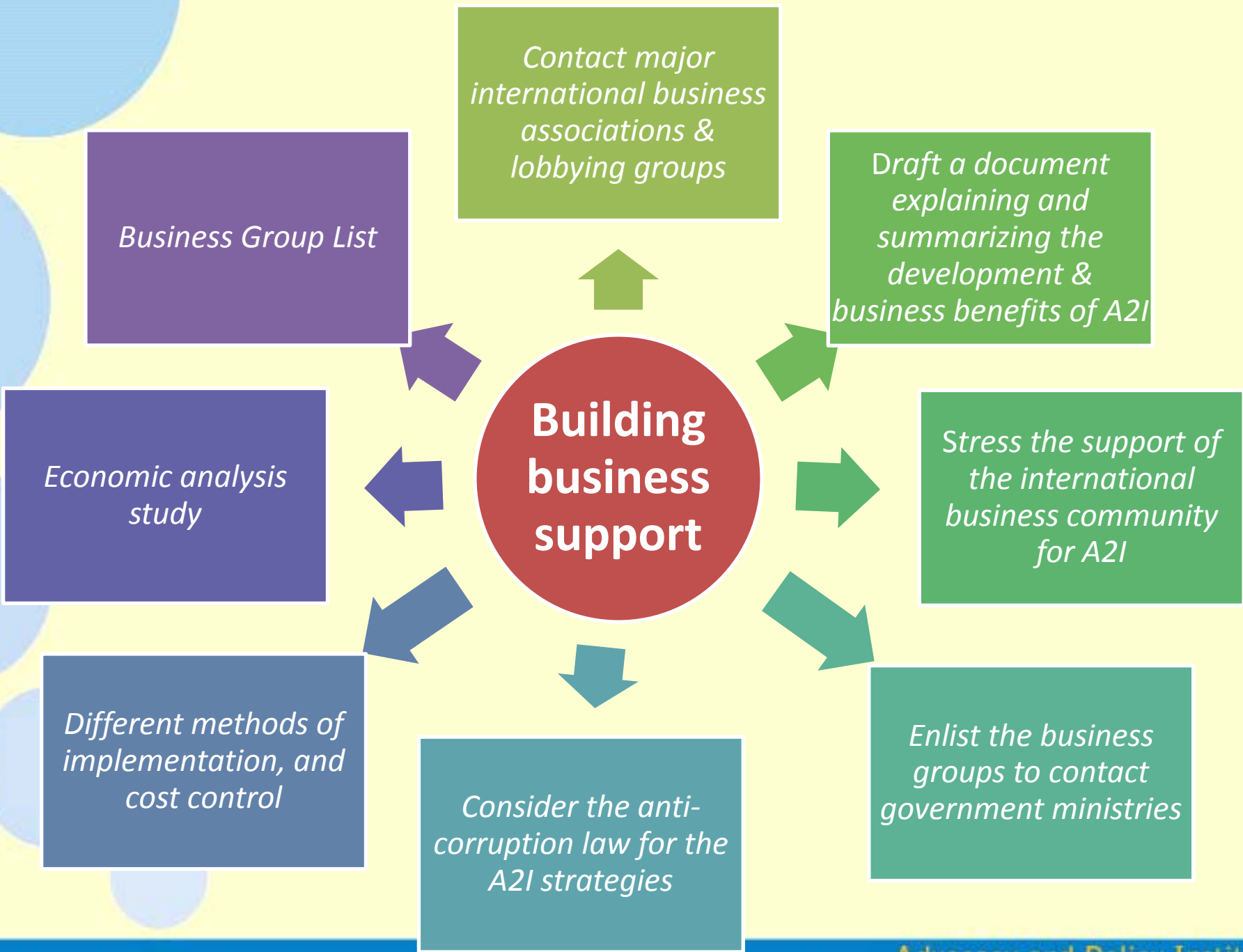
Lobby MoNASRI – adoption of A2I policy framework

Capacity building to A2I working group

Statements & Press Releases

# Proposed Strategies

1. Build business support
2. Create public demand for & knowledge about A2I
3. Strengthen support from international organizations and donors



**Creating  
Public  
Demand for  
& Knowledge  
about A2I**

*Media campaign, including radio*

*Arrange speakers at suitable public gatherings*

*Sponsor public debates*

*Law school competition*

*Participate in/create public activities*

*Join national & international networks focusing on  
A2I*

*Establish an internet site about Cambodian A2I*

*Discuss A2I with political parties during the upcoming  
elections*

*Work with Parliament to build support for A2I law*



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Strengthening  
support from  
international  
organizations  
and donors

UN and  
Donors

Intl. NGOs

# Questions

1. Do you have inputs/comments on the strategy suggestions?
2. What are other strategies or approaches for supporting passage of an A2I Law?
3. What are our next steps to move forward?



Thank You

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Your Participation