

**THE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AGENDA:
SHARING INFORMATION ACROSS GOVERNMENT**

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Enda Holland, Ireland. Good afternoon everybody my name is Enda Holland, I am the new National Representative for Ireland.

The title of this afternoon's session on real-time government is 'The Information Management Agenda: Sharing Information Across Government'. In this session we are going to look at this particular emphasis on sharing, organising and management across government agencies. We will also look at the technical, governance and policy issues that arise. We have three speakers for this session from Sweden, Australia and Denmark.

Our first speaker is Knut Rexed from Sweden. Knut is the Director General of the Swedish Agency for Public Management which advises, assists and serves as a Swedish government, on issues relating to public management. Among its main tasks is to promote E-government and the development of performance management and central government. Knut is Chair of the OACD, PUMA, Working Party on Human Resource Management, he also chaired the Government Online International Network from 2000 to 2002 and the meetings of the European Director General responsible for public administration during the Swedish Presidency of the EU in 2001.

Our second speaker is John Grant from Australia. John is the Chief General Manager of Government Services and Information Environment Group of the National Office for Information Economy in OIE, which is responsible for encouraging the intelligent use and application of information, communication technology to create opportunities to transform service delivery to better customer focus and access, prior to joining NIOE in 2001, John headed up the division in the Australian competition and consumer commission in charge of promoting compliance with the prohibition on price exploitation arising from the implementation of new tax system.

The third speaker is Michael Bang Kjeldgaard from Denmark. For the past year Michael has been chief consultant for the National IT and Telecom Agency, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation. He is responsible for co-ordinating general IT architecture and is Chairman of the Danish XML community. Michael previously worked in local government in Denmark and on getting local administration on the web.