Institutionalising the process, more so than the platform!

From Oxford Dictionary:
- the action of establishing something as a convention or norm in an organization or culture.

From the Business Dictionary:
- Process which translates an organization's code of conduct, mission, policies, vision, and strategic plans into action guidelines applicable to the daily activities of its officers and other employees. It aims at integrating fundamental values and objectives into the organization's culture and structure.
How would that translate to:

Institutionalising the NIPN approach?

The process of ensuring that:

• the steps to implement an **evidence-informed policy dialogue** become part of the **daily activities** of the partner organisations and

• become an **integral part** of the way of working of the multisectoral nutrition coordinating system in which there is **demand for** the NIPN services and **use of** the NIPN outputs
Possible framework for institutionalisation (1) based on Rapid Response Unit case study, Burkina Faso

3 DIMENSIONS

1. Existence of institutional framework
2. Consistent production of relevant outputs
3. Adequate Resource availability

5 MATURITY LEVELS

1. Awareness
2. Experimentation
3. Expansion
4. Consolidation
5. Maturity

Possible framework for institutionalisation (2) = Ownership matrix

3 DIMENSIONS

1. NIPN set-up and functional
2. Country ownership of NIPN
3. Country ownership of outputs

CHARACTERISTICS

• Institutions have capacity, take control & implement activities

• Broader set of country stakeholders participates, contributes, controls and demands NIPN services

• Broader set of country stakeholders promotes and uses NIPN outputs

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Overlap between the 2 frameworks

Level of the unit / platform
- Embedded unit in existing government institution and with government mandate
- Small-scale activities to learn and adapt
- Capacity building of team

Level of functional engagement with stakeholders
- Creating demand from policy makers
- Demonstrate improved service / output quality
- Embed activities in standard organisational operations

Level of full integration in the system
- Human and financial resources absorbed in government budget
- Access to data from the various actors in the nutrition system
- Integrated set of activities into everyday working of Ministry
- Service is integral part of broader health / nutrition system
Country presentations

Niger, Côte d'Ivoire, Uganda
Questions for the country group work:

• What could be the dimensions or elements to institutionalise NIPN approach in your country?

• What is already in place and what needs still to be put in place?

• What type of support would you need to achieve the ultimate goal of an institutionalised NIPN approach (or a continuous evidence-informed policy dialogue)?