Elevating Knowledge Management as a Critical Service Capability

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Exactly what **Knowledge** are we **Managing**?
The Human Element Increases as Knowledge Becomes More Complex
Today’s Increasingly Complex Work Environment

A way to look at our work environments, in terms of the nature of the problems or tasks we face.

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To Address Complexity, Organizations Need to Support Emergent Work Practices

This means having an environment to support

- collaboration,
- conversation,
- synthesis,
- pattern recognition,
- and creative tension

all within a secure and trusting environment.

2 Promising Approaches:
Internal Crowdsourcing & KM Mashups
What is Crowdsourcing?

Crowdsourcing is

• a social networking method that leverages the collective experience and intelligence of a group.

• the act of outsourcing tasks, traditionally performed by an employee or contractor, to an undefined, large group of people or community (a "crowd"), through an open call (www.wikipedia.com).
Somalia has complex economic, social, and political problems.

The complexity and uncertainty make it difficult to arrive at simple solutions.

Encourages “novel combinations and complex interactions of ideas” on anti-piracy strategy that “otherwise might not emerge from more traditional wargame approaches.”
“Internal Crowdsourcing” Potential

Goals:

1. Capture new performance patterns, insights, and detection patterns

2. Aggregate micro strategies and build to breakthrough strategies

By combining serious games with controlled “internal crowdsourcing” techniques, practitioners can be immersed in an environment where their performance patterns are tracked and new insights and detection patterns discerned.

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KM **Mashups** for *Content in Context*

Example: Incident Response Capability:
Alert and mobilize an entire workforce, across all communication channels. Ensure safety, awareness, and accurate information sharing.

- Extend portal capability
- Crowdsourcing ideas, coordinate
- Mobile availability and continuity

A **mashup** is a website or application that combines content from more than one source into an integrated experience.
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Questions? Conversation.

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