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Mon, Aug 8, 2016 at 1:57 PM

Finally!

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Ms. Ref. No.: GIQ-D-15-00133R2  
Title: A Garbage Can Model of Government IT Project Failures in Developing Countries: the Effects of Leadership, Decision Structure and Team Competence  
Government Information Quarterly

Dear Prof. Yu-Qian Zhu,

I am pleased to confirm that your paper "A Garbage Can Model of Government IT Project Failures in Developing Countries: the Effects of Leadership, Decision Structure and Team Competence" has been accepted for publication in Government Information Quarterly.

Your accepted manuscript will now be transferred to our production department and work will begin on creation of the proof. If we need any additional information to create the proof, we will let you know. If not, you will be contacted again in the next few days with a request to approve the proof and to complete a number of online forms that are required for publication.

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Thank you for submitting your work to this journal.

With kind regards,

Marijn Janssen, Dr.  
Editor  
Government Information Quarterly

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Wed, Jul 6, 2016 at 11:06 AM

Hi Dani:

The review's back, and not bad at all. Just some minor changes. I think we are very close to getting accepted. I'll fix the changes and submit it back. How's things at your end?

Yu-Qian

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Ms. Ref. No.: GIQ-D-15-00133R1  
Title: Government IT project success in developing countries: Lessons from an Indonesian municipal government  
Government Information Quarterly

Dear Prof. Yu-Qian Zhu,

Reviewers have now commented on your paper. You will see that they like the improvement and have some minor suggestions. Please process them and proofread the paper and submit a new version.

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Yours sincerely,

Marijn Janssen  
Editor  
Government Information Quarterly

Reviewers' comments:

Reviewer #1: The comments are processes well, I have some new minor comments and observed the need for proofreading.

-My recommendation is include 'garbage can theory' in the title of the paper. This makes the goal clearer. Also include the findings (of the hypothesis) in the abstract.

-References to recent papers in this domain are missing including, including the following (there might be more).

Anthopoulos L, Reddick CG, Giannakidou I, Mavridis N. Why e-government projects fail? An analysis of the Healthcare.gov website. Government Information Quarterly. 2016;33(1):161-73

Janssen M, Voort H, Veenstra AF. Failure of large transformation projects from the viewpoint of complex adaptive systems: Management principles for dealing with project dynamics. Inf Syst Front. 2014;17(1):15-29.

Gauld R. Public sector information system project failures: Lessons from a New Zealand hospital organization. Government Information Quarterly. 2007;24:102-14.

Although I agree that this goes beyond this recent work, it should be explained in the paper to position the scientific contribution better and to show that you know the latest developments.

-proofread the paper. The many mistakes are annoying when reading

-the conclusions can be better and should be based on the analysis.

Now only the theoretical contribution and implications are discussed.

#### Reviewer #3: Recommendation

The topic is very interesting as well as this is a well-written article that does identify an important gap.

Minor revision

\*The linguistic alterations are required

This paper would benefit from some closer proof reading. It includes numerous linguistic errors that at times make it difficult to follow.

I would suggest that it may be useful to engage a professional English language editor following a restructure of the paper

\*The paper should focused better from the start on the key hypothesis (leadership, collaboration etc and effect on success). The title suggests more that the paper provides. Consider using 'garbage can' in your title. Focus the abstract from the beginning.

\*Extend the discussion part. In particular what policy-makers could learn from the findings. How can they improve project success by setting the right conditions? Can this results in higher success rate, but will other factors still interfere?

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Ms. Ref. No.: GIQ-D-15-00133  
Title: Government IT project success in developing countries: Lessons from an Indonesian municipal government  
Government Information Quarterly

Dear Professor Zhu,

Reviewers have now commented on your paper. You will see that they are advising that you revise your manuscript. If you are prepared to undertake the work required, I would be pleased to reconsider my decision.

For your guidance, reviewers' comments are appended below.

If you decide to revise the work, please submit a list of changes or a rebuttal against each point which is being raised when you submit the revised manuscript.

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Yours sincerely,

Suzanne L. Reinman, MILS  
Associate Editor  
Government Information Quarterly

Reviewers' comments:

Reviewer #2: The paper is well structured. It reports an interesting and important area of concern, as the failure rate of IT project in the context of developing countries for many reasons is very high. Informed by the garbage can theory, this study examines the impact of leadership styles on the decision structures, and subsequently in the project success. It finds that hierarchical decision structure has negative significant link with the project success. On another hand, participative decision structure has positive impact on the project success. Transactional and empowerment leadership style are found to affect respectively hierarchical and participative decision structures. The study treat the team competence as moderating variable that affect the relationship between the decision structure and the project success.

However, the paper deserves for additional works. Some issues need to be clarified. The author(s) may find the following comments to be considered in improving the paper.

1. The void in the extant literature is succinctly presented and nicely motivates the study. However, the examination of leadership style in this context needs stronger arguments. The author(s) may think of connecting it with the role of key actors/leaders as has been discussed in literature.
2. The hypotheses are conceptually grounded. But, the author(s) need to clarify whether leadership styles are conceptually mutually exclusive, i.e. one can only have one style, or one may have more than one style to different extent. This clarification has important impacts on the research design, and the interpretation of the findings. The same case goes to the decision structure. Are they also conceptually mutually exclusive?
3. The paper states that the respondents are 433 participants of 168 different IT projects. I understand that the questionnaires were distributed to 433 respondents. But, in Section 3.2, the author(s) write that the items to measure transactional leadership are filled by the project leaders (168?). The author(s) need to clarify this selection of the method, which seems to be not a 'common practice'. Why don't the respondents fill the questionnaire after adjusting the wording of such the items? This issue has connection with the items to operationalize the hierarchical decision structure, which are filled by the respondents (not the project leaders). Do all the respondents have the authority to make decisions? In this regards, be explicit who/what is the unit analysis of this study? Is it individual, group, project, relationship, or something else?
4. I miss an inspiring discussion part. The author(s) may further extend the current form by conceptualizing the findings/the contributions. Bringing in the specificity of Indonesian context may be an alternative way to enrich the discussion, before extrapolating the key findings to other similar contexts.

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