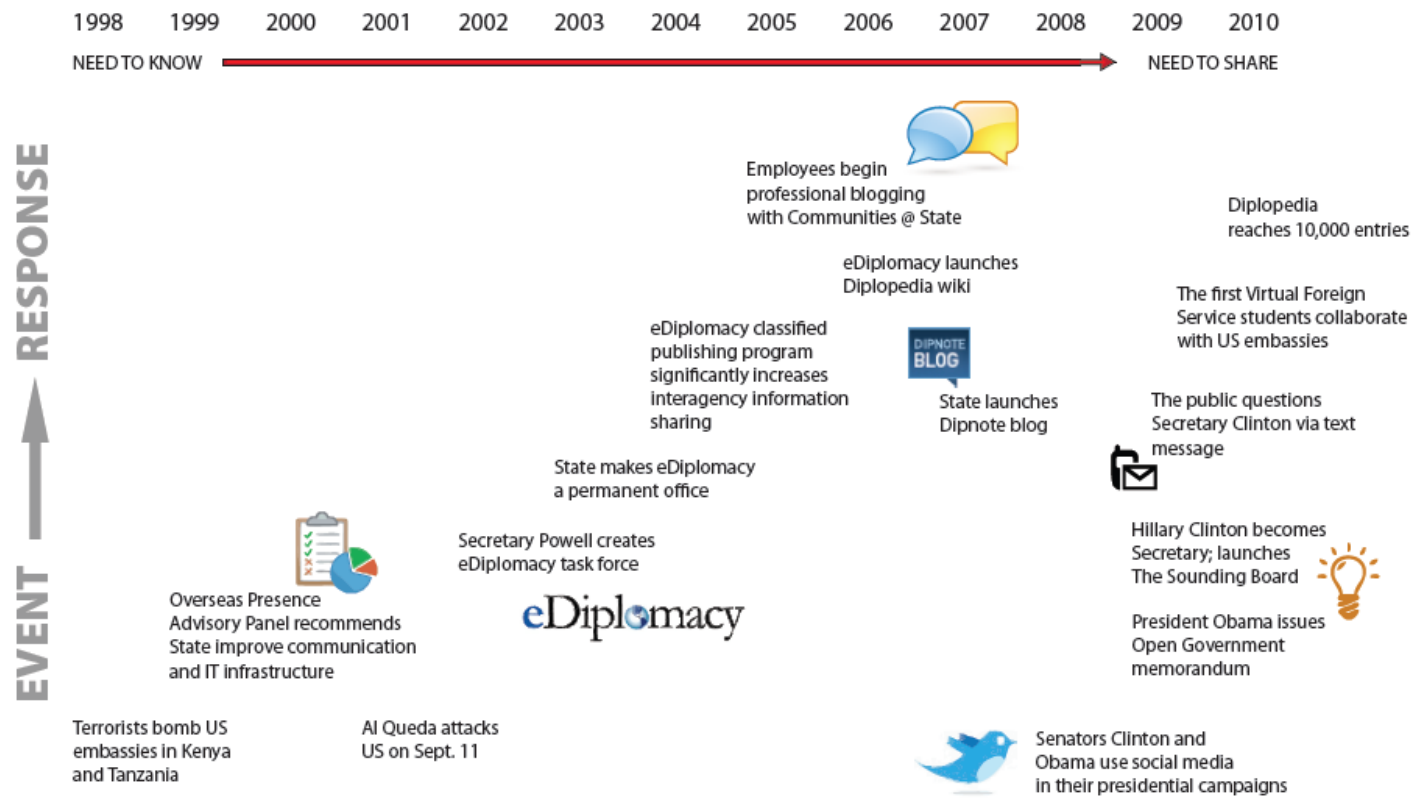


United States Foreign Service Posts and Department of State Jurisdictions, February 2006



Cultural Innovation

Catalysts for culture of transparency and collaboration US Department of State



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The Sounding Board will allow all State Department employees to have an ongoing conversation on new, smarter, and more effective ways of enabling our nation's foreign policy goals. This is your space to start this conversation. This is your forum to submit concrete ideas for reforms and improvements to transform the way we do business. Share your ideas here with Secretary Clinton, with other Department senior leaders and with your peers. Your ideas will be reviewed to determine their potential to widely impact efficiency, effectiveness and productivity.



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1,595 ideas
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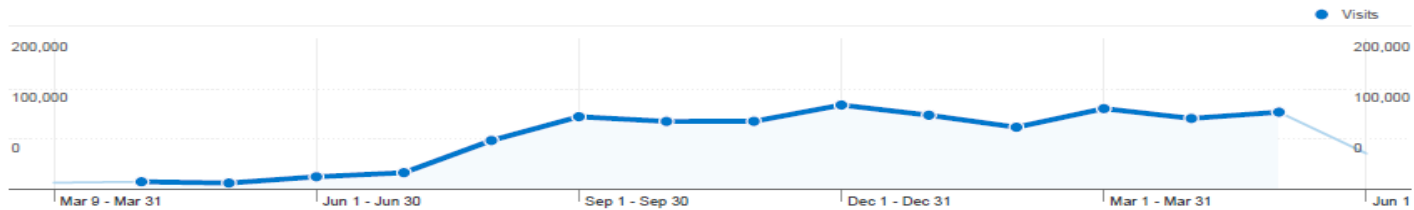
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62.96% Bounce Rate

2,148,155 Pageviews

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Communication Challenge

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What capability, process, or practice should we employ to improve communication within our organization?

Challenge Stats

76 ideas
351 comments
426 votes
1,870 users

The Three Things Challenge, a Sounding Board initiative, was launched in July 2009 with a video from Secretary Clinton challenging US Department of State personnel to list the top three things they need to be more effective and efficient in their jobs. Approximately 1500 employees submitted 4261 "things," which were broken down into eight areas of interest.

Most "things" had to do with what employees need to achieve their immediate job objectives. All employee types and job ranks mentioned the importance of Communication (between management and staff, between agencies, and between posts and Washington). We therefore decided to use the new software to follow-up on the 3 Things Challenge to narrow down action items in this area.

The Communication Challenge will close December 1, 2010.

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