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Dr. Fischhoff and Colleagues:

The National Academy of Sciences was asked to give advice about the US government's visual display systems. The President's Science Adviser's Office, the State Department & USAID have just brought online Release 1.0 of the US government's foreign assistance/global progress Dashboard system, which might be of interest: http://www.foreignassistance.gov/InitiativeLanding.aspx

The goal is to create a working tool for senior executives, collaboration, and accelerated progress, including tracking metrics, not just a PR display. Secretary Clinton has appointed senior advisers for 21st century diplomacy with IT/networking expertise:

A well designed research program, based on behavioral science expertise, will help to create directions and new resources for the design teams that are building this new generation of tools.

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