Electronic Government: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications

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This section serves as a foundation for this exhaustive reference tool by addressing crucial theories essential to the understanding of electronic government. Chapters found within these pages provide an excellent framework in which to position electronic government within the field of information science and technology. Insight regarding the critical incorporation of global measures into electronic government is addressed, while crucial stumbling blocks of this field are explored. With over 38 chapters comprising this foundational section, the reader can learn and chose from a compendium of expert research on the elemental theories underscoring the electronic government discipline.

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