Introduction to Government Finance Statistics (E-Learning)

Venue:Online

Dates: 17 July - 25 August 2017

Duration: 6 weeks

Background

This introductory course is designed for officials responsible for compiling and analysing public finance statistics. This course focuses on the conceptual framework of GFS as presented in the IMF's Government Finance Statistics Manual 2014 (GFSM 2014), as well as on the practical aspects of data compilation. The course will also look at basic concepts, accounting principles, and detailed classification in the contexts of the new methodology that is harmonised with the System of National Accounts.

Objective

To enable the participants to understand the GFSM 2014 methodological framework governing the compilation of public finance statistics.

Course Content

The course content will include the coverage and accounting rules of the GFS framework (including accrual accounting), valuation, classification, debt, balance sheets, and the data sources and methods used for compiling the statistics.

Target Group

This course is highly recommended for junior and middle level staff from Central Banks, Ministries of finance and planning (or other agencies) responsible for the compilation of public finance statistics.