COMBATTING ILLICIT FINANCIAL FLOWS

UNDERSTANDING SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACTS, MEASUREMENT **METHODOLOGIES AND POLICY INTERVENTIONS**

UNITED NATIONS SELF-PACED ONLINE COURSE

12 January 2026 to 15 March 2026



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Course **Outline**

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Illicit Financial Flows (IFFs) drain billions of dollars from developing countries each year, hampering investments in public goods, services and infrastructure for development.

This self-paced intermediate online course, equips you with the knowledge and tools to curb IFFs. Over four weeks, you will explore core concepts, trends, and the socio-economic impact of IFFs, before moving into hands-on measurement and policy levers and toolkits.

Using UNCTAD and UNODC's globally endorsed conceptual frameworks, you will take a deep dive into the different methods to measure tax-related, trade-related and crime-related IFFs. Case studies, short videos and guided readings bring the material to life, while endof-module quizzes help you consolidate learning. The intermediate course does not require you to conduct actual measurements, merely to gain an understanding of the suite of methods.

Having passed the intermediate course, you may opt to do the advanced course, where you will be required to actually measure different types of IFFs using the different methods.

The course targets statisticians, policy makers, law-enforcement officials, regulators, legislators, researchers, journalists and civil society actors who need a rigorous yet accessible introduction to IFFs.



Conceptual Framework for Statistical Measurement of **IFFs**

Measuring Tax and Commercial IFFs

Measuring Criminal or Illegal IFFs

Policy Levers and Toolkits





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