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Announcement in Brief

Course Type : Online Course

Programme Area : Economic Affairs

Date : 11th July – 12th August 2022

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Language : Bilingual (French / English)

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Programme Rationale

Paucity of public finance and effective structures for facilitating trade leave avenue for expedient worker alternatives. The private sector been the major driver of economic activities and the most adversely impacted by inadequate trade structures; hence, the lean capacity of traditional procurement is no longer feasible for a competitive and sustainable development of effective and efficient trade infrastructures and systems.

This therefore begs the need for enhanced capacity to propagate trade-enabling infrastructure and services at scale through feasible globally compliant PPP arrangements that will unlock bottlenecks to trade growth within the continent. This will consequently drive inclusive economic growth through increased trading and economic activities amongst the vast African middle and low-income class, and ease trade/value-chain operations of small, medium, and large corporates both at national and intra-continental levels.

When managed effectively, PPPs not only provide much needed new sources of capital, but also bring significant discipline to project selection, construction, and operation. Hence, training on the subject is apt to prepare the continent's PPP landscape to activate carefully structured collaboration with private sector in the quest for investment and expertise in bridging the widening infrastructure gap and accelerating the provision of public infrastructure asset and public services. As such, the course provides a platform for participants to gain a comprehensive understanding of the pros and cons of Public Private Partnerships (PPPs), and the mechanisms for successfully implementing PPPs in developing countries.

The desired outcome of this training is for the public sector to apply at every stage in the formation and implementation of a PPP the learning gained in selecting/designing project, developing a regulatory structure, initiating/consummating transaction processes, supervising concessionaires (the private company entitled to temporarily own and operate the asset) throughout the project's life cycle, etc. In addition, public-sector leaders must take concrete steps to cultivate an environment in which PPP projects can flourish, such as securing the right project-management expertise within the government and employing policies that support a vibrant industry of engineering and construction companies as well as other private-sector partners, such as financiers.

From the foregoing, in this training course, participants will study the relevant organizational structures, effective regulation, enabling legislation, and risk management techniques necessary for well-designed procurement approaches and timely financing for PPP projects, while achieving the objectives of affordability and value-for-money for all stakeholders.

Objectives

Upon completion of this training course, participants will have the capacity to understand how to undertake :

- Careful Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA)
- Detailed feasibility studies, project finance and financial modelling, needs analysis, solutions
- Options analysis and PPP options for project delivery
- Development of procurement contract documents of PPP projects and transaction advisory services
- Contract negotiations, contract and project implementation
- Monitoring and Evaluation of PPP projects
- Audit of PPP projects
- Economic analysis of projects
- Risk identification and management
- Stakeholder engagement and management

Content

Accordingly, the course aims to provide practitioners, policymakers, officials from civil service and any other interested stakeholder with clear understanding of the following :

- **Week 1 :**
 - o Public-Private Partnership – Introduction and Overview
 - o Establishing a PPP Framework and PPP Enabling Environment
- **Week 2 :**
 - o Project Identification and PPP Screening
 - o Appraising PPP Projects
- **Week 3 :**
 - o Structuring and Drafting the Tender and Contract
 - o Tendering and Awarding the Contract
- **Week 4 :**
 - o Managing the Contract – Strategy, Delivery and Commissioning
 - o Managing the Contract – Operations and Hand-Back

Skills to be Imparted

Upon completion of this training course, participants will have the capacity to understand how to undertake:

- PPP Identification
- PPP Screening
- PPP Appraisal
- PPP Structuring
- PPP Tendering
- PPP Management

Pedagogical Approach & Mode of Delivery

In this PPP training concept note, the promoters draw on practical experience and extensive discussion with policy makers, ministers, law officers, PPP units, private sector contractors and funders in Africa and around the world. The course will blend pre-recorded presentations with practical case studies and interactive exercises to ensure that participants have ample opportunity to discuss, challenge and understand the key principles of PPP.

This training course will utilize a variety of proven adult learning techniques to ensure maximum understanding, comprehension and retention of the information presented, by taking the following in consideration:

- Self-paced learning of a 5-week long course, 5th week dedicated to retakes and final exam.
- Course modules are delivered in English and French.
- Presentations are well guided, practical exercise and peer learning.
- Upon final completion of all training assessments, the participant will be issued a certificate of completion by UNIDEP.

Certificate of Completion

A Certificate of Completion will be issued by IDEP to all participants who successfully complete the course-related self-assessments presented for each module.

Target Audience

This program will be attended by participants from across the 54 African countries and specifically to persons interested in building Public Private Partnerships capacities. Public sector officers in all the 54 African countries responsible for project preparation, project analysis, procurement, project finance and legal structure determination, etc. Private sector players in the African setting interested in building PPP capacities to better position themselves to deliver PPP solutions for infrastructure delivery. Such players include officials of banks, insurance companies, construction firms, facility managers, facility etc. Other stakeholders across the public and private sector of critical importance are legal officers and contract managers, tax officers, accountants, economists, auditors, environmental officers, sociologists, finance officers, etc.

Acceptance to the Course

Until the registration deadline, participants are accepted to the course on a rolling basis and subject to availability of slots. Please refer to the paragraph below to see priority target group. Applications must be completed exclusively on IDEP online application platform at :

<https://idep-applications.uneca.org/>

Technical Requirements

Access to internet is an essential condition for participation. The following specifications, as a minimum in terms of hardware and software, are required to take this e-Learning course, please consult your Network Administrator or Systems person to ensure that you have the following :

- Platform: Windows 95, 98, 2000, NT, ME, XP or superior; Mac OS 9 or Mac OS X; Linux
- Hardware: 64 MB of RAM, 1 GB of free disk space
- Software:
 - Adobe Acrobat Reader
 - Adobe Flash Player
 - Microsoft Office (Windows or Mac) or Open Office
 - Browser: Internet Explorer 7 or higher or Firefox 36 or higher
- Modem: 56 K
- Note that JavaScript, Cookies and Pop-ups must be enabled

Importants Dates

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- Course Period : **11th July – 12th August 2022**

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