

PFM for Development Cooperation Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Public Financial Management & Budgeting	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Strengthen understanding of Public Financial Management (PFM) principles for development cooperation.
2. Apply fiscal transparency and accountability mechanisms in aid-financed projects.
3. Enhance skills in budget formulation, execution, and monitoring for donor-supported programs.
4. Integrate development aid into national PFM systems for improved sustainability.
5. Promote domestic revenue mobilization and reduce aid dependency.
6. Strengthen financial reporting and auditing practices aligned with international standards.
7. Implement results-based budgeting for development outcomes.
8. Analyze the role of donor coordination and harmonization in aid effectiveness.
9. Build institutional capacity for public expenditure management.
10. Apply risk management frameworks in aid-funded projects.
11. Improve service delivery performance through effective PFM reforms.
12. Utilize digital financial management systems for transparency and accountability.
13. Foster inclusive governance in development cooperation initiatives.

Target Audience

1. Government officials from Ministries of Finance and Planning
2. Development cooperation and donor agency staff
3. Policy advisors and consultants in PFM
4. Public sector auditors and accountants
5. Civil society and NGO representatives
6. International financial institution staff
7. University researchers and think-tank analysts
8. Program and project managers in aid-funded initiatives

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Course Modules

Module 1: Foundations of PFM in Development Cooperation

- Principles of Public Financial Management
- Link between PFM and aid effectiveness
- Role of fiscal transparency in development outcomes
- Integration of donor support in national PFM systems
- Emerging global trends in PFM for development
- *Case Study: PFM reforms in Rwanda?ÇÖs aid integration strategy*

Module 2: Budget Formulation and Execution for Development Programs

- Budget cycle and donor-funded project planning
- Aligning aid budgets with national priorities
- Cash management and expenditure control
- Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) in aid programs
- Challenges in aid-financed budget execution
- *Case Study: Budget alignment in Ghana's education sector*

Module 3: Aid Effectiveness and Donor Coordination

- Paris Declaration and principles of aid effectiveness
- Donor harmonization and coordination mechanisms
- Managing pooled funds and sector-wide approaches
- Alignment with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Risks of fragmented donor support
- *Case Study: Donor harmonization in Tanzania's health sector*

Module 4: Public Expenditure and Revenue Mobilization

- Role of domestic resource mobilization in development cooperation
- Tax reforms to complement aid
- Public expenditure prioritization for impact
- Monitoring public investment efficiency
- Fiscal sustainability strategies
- *Case Study: Kenya's revenue mobilization and aid sustainability*

Module 5: Accountability and Transparency Mechanisms

- Financial reporting and disclosure standards
- Strengthening audit institutions in aid-financed projects
- Role of parliaments and oversight bodies
- Social accountability and citizen engagement
- Tackling corruption in aid-funded projects
- *Case Study: Anti-corruption reforms in Sierra Leone's PFM sector*

Module 6: Results-Based Budgeting and Service Delivery

- Linking budgets to performance outcomes
- Key performance indicators (KPIs) for aid effectiveness
- Monitoring and evaluation (M&E) frameworks
- Evidence-based policy design
- Measuring impact of aid-financed programs
- *Case Study: Results-based budgeting in Uganda's health sector*

Module 7: Risk Management and Digital PFM Systems

- Identifying and mitigating risks in aid projects
- Risk-based auditing and compliance frameworks
- Role of digital technologies in PFM
- Implementing Integrated Financial Management Information Systems (IFMIS)
- Cybersecurity considerations in PFM systems

- *Case Study: Digital PFM reforms in Ethiopia*

Module 8: Governance, Capacity Building, and Policy Reforms

- Strengthening institutional capacity for PFM
- Policy reforms to enhance fiscal sustainability
- Inclusive governance in development cooperation
- Stakeholder engagement and collaboration
- Long-term strategies for aid independence
- *Case Study: Governance reforms in Mozambique?ÇÖs aid management*

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures with expert facilitators
- Group discussions and peer-to-peer learning
- Practical exercises and role-playing scenarios
- Case study analysis for real-world application
- Use of digital tools and financial management software
- Post-training mentorship and continuous learning support

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
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21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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