

Program-Based Budgeting for Development Projects 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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Course Objectives

1. Apply program-based budgeting techniques for effective development project planning.
2. Strengthen results-based management and align budgets with national development goals.
3. Use performance indicators to enhance accountability and transparency.
4. Develop strategic resource allocation frameworks for improved efficiency.
5. Integrate cost-benefit analysis into budget decisions.
6. Apply public financial management (PFM) reforms to development projects.
7. Leverage data-driven decision-making for budgeting and planning.
8. Enhance stakeholder engagement in program-based budgeting processes.
9. Improve fiscal responsibility and compliance with donor requirements.
10. Apply monitoring and evaluation (M&E) to track budget performance.
11. Strengthen governance and accountability in development finance.
12. Utilize digital tools for budget analysis and performance tracking.
13. Design impact-focused budgeting frameworks for sustainable development.

Target Audience

1. Government policy makers
2. Budget officers and financial analysts
3. Development project managers
4. NGO program directors
5. Donor and funding agencies
6. Monitoring and evaluation specialists
7. Public financial management practitioners
8. Strategic planners and consultants

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Course Modules

Module 1: Fundamentals of Program-Based Budgeting

- Understanding the shift from line-item budgeting to program-based budgeting
- Key principles and frameworks of PBB
- Linking policy priorities to program budgets
- International best practices in PBB
- Tools for program classification and structure
- **Case Study: Kenya's adoption of program-based budgeting in public finance reforms**

Module 2: Strategic Planning and Budget Alignment

- Integrating strategic plans with program budgets
- Ensuring policy coherence and resource alignment
- Medium-term expenditure frameworks (MTEF)
- Prioritization of development programs
- Performance-driven budgeting approaches
- **Case Study: Rwanda's Vision 2050 and budget alignment with national priorities**

Module 3: Results-Based Management and Performance Indicators

- Designing results frameworks for development programs
- Developing measurable output and outcome indicators
- Linking budget allocations to results
- Performance monitoring mechanisms
- Use of KPIs in program budgeting
- **Case Study: Results-based budgeting in the Philippines' education sector**

Module 4: Resource Allocation and Costing Techniques

- Methods for effective resource allocation
- Costing of programs and activities
- Budget ceilings and fiscal space analysis
- Trade-offs in resource distribution
- Linking resource allocation to development outcomes
- **Case Study: Ethiopia's costed sectoral development plans**

Module 5: Monitoring, Evaluation, and Accountability

- M&E systems for budget implementation
- Tracking program expenditures
- Reporting mechanisms for transparency
- Accountability frameworks in budgeting
- Donor reporting and compliance mechanisms
- **Case Study: World Bank's performance-based financing in health projects**

Module 6: Public Financial Management Reforms and PBB

- Role of PFM reforms in strengthening PBB
- Legal and institutional frameworks
- Budget classification systems and chart of accounts
- Enhancing fiscal discipline
- Integrating PFM reforms into development projects
- **Case Study: Ghana's integration of PBB in PFM reforms**

Module 7: Technology and Digital Tools in Budgeting

- Digital platforms for budget preparation and analysis
- Data visualization for budget performance
- Integrating financial management information systems (FMIS)
- E-budgeting tools for transparency
- Use of analytics in program-based budgeting
- **Case Study: Estonia's digital budgeting and fiscal transparency model**

Module 8: Designing Impact-Focused Budgets

- Embedding sustainability in program budgets
- Budgeting for social impact and equity
- Linking budgets with SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals)
- Long-term fiscal sustainability strategies
- Innovative financing for development projects
- **Case Study: UNDP's impact-based budgeting framework**

Training Methodology

- Expert-led presentations with real-world applications
- Group discussions and knowledge-sharing sessions

- Hands-on exercises in program budgeting tools
- Case study analysis for context-based learning
- Role-play and simulations to strengthen decision-making skills
- Action planning to ensure transfer of learning to workplace

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
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
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