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Announcement in Brief

Course Type : Online Course

Programme Area : Planification

Date: 3rd April – 12th May 2023

Duration : 6 Weeks

Language : Bilingual (English / French)

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Website : https://knowledge.uneca.org/idep

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Programme Rationale

The world has been severely impacted by an unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic crisis. This health crisis, which affected millions of people around the world, also had a negative impact on global economies, especially on the least developed countries. In addition, the ongoing war between Russia and Ukraine has worsen the existing challenges. In the context of the implementation of global development programmes such as the 2030 Agenda, this situation must be urgently addressed to contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This requires a proactive development planning process that takes a holistic approach and encompasses all sectors of the economy.

Post-COVID-19 thinking should focus on designing development policies to address a similar shock in the future and mitigate its effects on the economy. In addition, these measures should be aligned with existing continental development initiatives such as Agenda 2063. The eighth session of the African Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, held from 3 to 5 March 2022 in Kigali, focused on "Building forward better: A green, inclusive and resilient Africa poised to achieve the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063." One of the key messages arising from this Forum is the pooling of the efforts of Member States and partners in monitoring and evaluating progress towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and the Aspirations of Agenda 2063. In addition, it was recommended to Member States at the Forum to make efforts in aligning national development plans with these two agendas.

To implement these recommendations, capacity building is pivotal. It is against this background that a distance learning program on sustainable development planning is being organized to equip African development planners and policy makers with relevant planning skills.

Objectives

The course aims to build the capacity of African government officials and development planners involved in the planning process and provide them with the necessary tools to design, implement, monitor and evaluate relevant and resilient development plans, aligned with development agendas both at the continental and global level.

Content

The course will cover the following modules:

- **Module 1:** Introduction to planning of sustainable development
- **Module 2:** The development plan as a tool for transformational change: purpose and deliverables- oriented planning (PDOP)
- **Module 3:** Integrating sustainable development goals (SDG) into national development plans: the purpose and deliverables-oriented planning approach (PDOP)
- **Module 4:** Integration of agenda 2063 into country development plans through the purpose and deliverables-oriented planning (PDOP)

- Module 5: Planning and resilience - lessons learned from the COVID-19 crisis
- Module 6: Using the IPRT to design a coherent national development plan

Skill To Be Imparted

At the end of the course, participants will have:

-Knowledge of the Deliverable-Based Planning (PBF/L) approach and its role in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063;

-Knowledge of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Toolkit (IPRT) developed by the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) as well as its usefulness for the follow-up of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and the African Union Agenda 2063, and the alignment of national plans to these two (02) agendas.

Pedagogical Approach and Mode of Delivery

This self-paced course will be delivered from 3 April to 12 May 2023. Virtual sessions are also planned for more interaction between the pedagogical team and the learners. These latter are able to self-assess their understanding of learning materials through built-in quizzes and exercises.
Additional resources, including suggested readings, bibliographies, Internet links and optional reading are provided for participants who wish to deepen their knowledge on a course topic. The course will be delivered in English and French. The pedagogical team comprised of a
Course Director and the tutor will provide daily on-line assistance to participants at scheduled times. An Internet connection is required to interact with both Course Director and tutor.
The course will run over a period of six (06) weeks. The seventh week will be dedicated to a final evaluation or exam that will assess participants' knowledge.

Certificate of Completion

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

Target Audience

The course targets planners, economists and other high-level policymakers involved in the formulation, implementation and monitoring of national development plans and international development agendas.

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

Important Dates

- Deadline for Applications and Nominations: 27th March 2023
- Course Period: 3rd April– 12th May 2023

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