

Committee for Coordinating Statistical Activities (CCSA) Training Network

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STATISTICAL COMPETENCIES (please fill in specific skills under each category that applies to your organization):

LEARNING	STATISTICS	COMMUNICATION	CLIENT RELATIONS	MANAGEMENT	TECHNOLOGY	INTERPERSONAL
	Analytical skills	Oral presentation skills	Dealing with country officials	Strategic vision	Data management skills	Building relationships
	Specialty knowledge	Written communication skills		Sound judgment		Negotiating and influencing
		Open communication		Planning and organization		
				Adaptability		
				Drive for results		
				Motivating performance		
				Fostering teamwork		
				Appraising and developing staff		
				Delegating		

TRAINING PROGRAMS (brief description):

[Example: Objectives of program; who can access program, e.g., availability to participants from other organizations; who provides courses—internal arrangements, affiliated training institute or joint program with other organization or university, etc. How is program linked to the statistical competencies listed above?]

The various IMF training programs in statistics are designed to provide basic, intermediate, and advanced skills in statistical areas (software packages and statistics theory and practical applications) to enable staff to keep abreast of recent developments and undertake their work effectively at various levels of responsibilities. These courses are targeted to address some of the competencies indicated above, especially statistical, data management, and technological skills, and are supplemented by a broader training program targeted at fostering the other competencies. The internal courses are presented by IMF staff and, as necessary, by outside experts, including leading academics. These courses are available only to IMF staff, except where special arrangements are made to share the programs with staff from other organizations, notably the World Bank.

The IMF also offers a number of courses in statistics targeted at member country officials. These courses are offered mainly through the auspices of the IMF Institute, in collaboration with the technical assistance departments. Thus, courses in statistics are offered jointly with the Statistics Department. Member country officials apply or are invited to attend the various courses, which are offered at headquarters or in a number of the IMF affiliated regional training centers in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Training Courses/Seminars (please list course title, duration and date/s offered, target audience, and language of instruction):^{1/}

Course Title	Begin and End Date	Course No. ^{2/}	Target Audience ^{3/}	Language
Courses for Statistics Staff in Agency (Including contracted courses)				
BPM/SNA Review—Draft Chapters	Progressively through 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Compilation Guide on Monetary and Financial Statistics	April 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
CPIS—Trends, Concepts, Data, Uses	Aug./Sept. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
External Debt: Methodology and Data	Sept. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Financial Soundness Indicators	Oct. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
How Central Banks Could Promote Data Quality in National Statistical Agencies	Jan. 2007		Economists/Statisticians	English
Implementing the GFSM 2001—The Experience of the Pilot Studies	Jan. 2007		Economists/Statisticians	English
International Reserves	July 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Macroeconomic Accounts—Understanding and Use	Mar./Apr. 2007		Economists/Statisticians	English
National Accounts—Major Aggregates	May 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Planning, Costing, and Tracking Statistical Capacity-Building Projects Using the New GDDS/DQAF Framework	Dec. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Remittances—Trends, Concepts, Compilation Issues	Sept. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Research on the Findings of Data ROSCs	May 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Revision of BPM5—Issues	Dec. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
STA's Data Products	Nov. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Statistical Methodology for Treating HIPC and Related Debt Reorganization Issues in the Economic Accounts	Nov. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Statistical Products and Globalization	Feb. 2007		Economists/Statisticians	English
Structural Changes in the Transmission Mechanism of Monetary Policy In Mexico: A Nonlinear VAR Approach	June 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
The GFSM 2001—A Tool for Fiscal Analysis	Mar. 2007		Economists/Statisticians	English
The Public Debt Template--A Framework for Analyzing Public Debt Statistics	July 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English

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Working Paper on Currency Composition of Foreign Exchange Reserves	Aug. 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Working Paper (WP/06/141) on Some Principles for Development of Statistics for a Gulf Cooperation Council Currency Union	May 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English

Courses for Agency Staff More Generally
(These courses are offered on a regular basis throughout the year.)

Advanced Stata		CMP283	All Fund staff	English
AREMOS 5.3-4 Introduction		CMP276	All Fund staff	English
Eviews Level I—Introduction to Eviews		CMP278	All Fund staff	English
Financial Programming Workshop for Research Officers and Research Assistants		ECO101R	Research Officers/ Research Assistants	English
Introduction to Stata		CMP282	All Fund staff	English
Orientation for New Staff—Economic Data at the Fund		ECON120	Economists and staff in the research career stream	English
Orientation for New Staff—Financial Programming Workshop		ECO101	Economists hired in the last year	English
Orientation for New Staff--Introduction to the Work of the Fund		ECO100A	Staff hired in the last year at grades A9 and above. Staff who have been at the Fund longer than one year under other terms of employment, such as on a contract or as a technical consultant, should also attend.	English

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Course Title	Begin and End Date	Course No.^{2/}	Target Audience^{3/}	Language
An Introduction to Financial Soundness Indicators and Credit Quality Analysis	Aug. 24, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Basic Econometrics Using EViews	Oct. 30-Nov. 3, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Bayesian Estimation of Growth Equations	Apr. 27, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Econometric Modeling and Forecasting	Apr. 3-7, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Empirical Modeling of Macroeconomic Time Series	Aug. 7-11, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Estimation, Solution, and Policy Analysis Using Equilibrium Monetary Models	Apr. 17-21, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Financial Econometrics	Nov. 6-10, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Financial Programming and Policy	Jan. 20-27, 2006 Apr. 27-May 4, 2006 July 7-14, 2006 Nov. 3-10, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Forecasting in Macroeconomics and Finance	May 22-26, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
GMM for Panel Data Using Stata	Dec. 4-6, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Growth Econometrics	Feb. 23, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Instrumental Variables Regression and Generalized Method of Moments: Weak Instruments and Intrinsic Heterogeneity	Mar. 22-24, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Macroeconometric Modeling and Forecasting Using EViews	Oct. 16-20, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Measuring and Analyzing Macro Financial Risks	Jan. 26, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Panel Data Analysis	May 15-19, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Stress Testing Country Financial Systems	Jan. 25, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
The Econometrics of Continuous Time Finance	Dec. 11-12, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Topics in Applied Time Series Analysis	Jul. 31-Aug. 4, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Using Financial Soundness Indicators on Mission	Jan. 11, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English
Using the Balance Sheet Approach in Surveillance: Framework, Data Sources, and Data Availability	Apr. 26, 2006		Economists/Statisticians	English

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Courses for Country Officials				
Financial Programming and Policies	Jan. 9-Feb. 24, 2006	HQ 06.01	Mid-level officials in such ministries as finance, economy, and planning, or in central banks, who provide advice on macroeconomic and financial policies or who are involved in policy implementation.	English
Government Finance Statistics	Feb. 27-Mar. 31, 2006	HQ 06.02	Officials who are compilers of government finance statistics and who are not analysts of public finance aggregates.	English
Balance of Payments Statistics	May 15-June 23, 2006	HQ 06.07	Officials whose main responsibility is compiling balance of payments statistics.	English
National Accounts Statistics	Sep. 11-Oct. 10, 2006	HQ 06-13	Compilers and managers employed by agencies responsible for the official estimate of gross domestic product, with several years of experience compiling national accounts statistics.	English

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Historical/nonrecurring courses				
Balance Sheet Approach	Apr. 2006		P2	English
External Debt	May 2005		P2	English
Financial Soundness Indicators	Dec. 2005		P2	English
Government Finance Statistics Manual 2001	July 2005		P2	English
Index Number Theory: Past Progress and Future Challenges	Oct. 2005		P2	English
Official Statistics for Monetary Union on the Gulf Cooperation Countries	Jan. 2006		P2	English
On Changing a Settlement Data BOP Compilation System—Denmark	Nov. 2005		P2	English
Strategy and Dev of the ESCB's Monetary and Market Statistics	Dec. 2005		P2	English
The Cost of Sovereign Borrowing and IMF Data Standards	Sep. 2005		P2	English

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BPM/SNA Review—Draft Chapters			BB
Compilation Guide on Monetary and Financial Statistics			BB
CPIS—Trends, Concepts, Data, Uses			BB
External Debt: Methodology and Data			BB
Financial Soundness Indicators			BB
How Central Banks Could Promote Data Quality in National Statistical Agencies			BB
Implementing the GFSM 2001—The Experience of the Pilot Studies			BB
International Reserves			BB
Macroeconomic Accounts—Understanding and Use			BB
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Remittances—Trends, Concepts, Compilation Issues			BB
Research on the Findings of Data ROSCs			BB
Revision of BPM5—Issues			BB
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The Public Debt Template--A Framework for Analyzing Public Debt Statistics			BB
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Econometrics Applications			BB
Eviews Level I—Introduction to Eviews			BB
Financial Programming Workshop for Research Officers and Research Assistants			BB
Introduction to Stata			BB
Orientation for New Staff—Economic Data at the Fund			BB
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Basic Econometrics Using EViews			BB
Bayesian Estimation of Growth Equations			BB, DD
Econometric Modeling and Forecasting			DD
Empirical Modeling of Macroeconomic Time Series			BB
Estimation, Solution, and Policy Analysis Using Equilibrium Monetary Models			DD
Financial Econometrics			BB
Financial Programming and Policy			
Forecasting in Macroeconomics and Finance			BB, DD
GMM for Panel Data Using Stata			BB
Growth Econometrics			DD
Instrumental Variables Regression and Generalized Method of Moments: Weak Instruments and Intrinsic Heterogeneity			DD
Macroeconometric Modeling and Forecasting Using EViews			BB
Measuring and Analyzing Macro Financial Risks			BB, DD
Panel Data Analysis			DD
Stress Testing Country Financial Systems			DD
The Econometrics of Continuous Time Finance			BB

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Topics in Applied Time Series Analysis			
Using Financial Soundness Indicators on Mission			DD
Using the Balance Sheet Approach in Surveillance: Framework, Data Sources and Data Availability			BB, DD

^{1/} Please provide number/I.D. for course and make sure it corresponds to the number/I.D. for the relevant training materials.

^{2/} Use double alphabet to indicate format, e.g., AA: video, BB: hard copy, CC: e-version, DD: DVD, etc.