

Economic and Social Research Foundation

ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ANALYSIS

Short Course Announcement: 26th – 29th August 2019

Introduction

The Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF), a policy research institute based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania undertakes and articulates research aiming at enhancing the understanding of policy options and development management in Tanzania. When the Government of Tanzania decided to guarantee the creation and registration of ESRF in 1993, it was out of the need of having an independent think tank in Tanzania.

The ESRF was therefore tasked with undertaking triple objectives of economic management research, capacity development in different sectors and knowledge management. Since its creation, the ESRF has consolidated its reputation as a national centre of excellence and is positioned to realize its target of becoming a regional centre of excellence in capacity development and research for policy analysis.

The ESRF implements activities geared towards strengthening capacity of intellectual resources of both producers and users of knowledge in Tanzania. Within this mandate, the ESRF is hereby announcing a four (4) days training course on Economic Management and Budget Analysis to be conducted from Monday 26th to Thursday 29th August 2019, in Dar es Salaam.

Rationale of the course

One of the feedbacks that the ESRF has received in the near past from various Ministries, Departments and Agencies is demand for training in areas related to

development management as a whole and budget analysis in particular. In this regard, one of the most cited areas include imperfect understanding on the evolution of Tanzania's development policy since country gained her independence in 1961. It is in response to this demand that the ESRF is motivated to conduct the current training on Economic Management and Budget Analysis.

The course aims at providing planners and economists in the public sector with knowledge on Tanzania's development process in a historical perspective as well as improving their capacity in planning and implementation of development policies and strategies. Put it differently, the course aims at making an intervention by offering training by tapping on wide knowledge and experience of local scholars who have been extensively involved policy making process in Tanzania.

This is the second time that the ESRF is conducting the training course following a similar course which was successful implemented in September 2018. While the course is primarily targeted at building the capacity of economists and planning officers in both central and local government in Tanzania; many other working professionals in the public and private sector as well as CSOs/NGOs will find the course relevant.

Course content

The course will cover the following items.

(i) Introduction to economic management:

This session will introduce the participants to the meaning of development management. In doing this, the session shall dwell on elucidating some key goals for economic management including economic growth and economic development. The session shall also expound on different players participating in the economy as well the role of state in development management. The session shall also elucidate in a nutshell the centrality of national budget in economic management.

(ii) Instruments of economic management: Monetary and Fiscal policies:

Monetary and fiscal policies are some of the key tools that governments use in steering the economy in the right direction. This session aims at making the participants

understand the instruments and their applicability in economic management process. Training on these important instruments will include both theory and practice. As such, in addition to main trainers who will mostly cover theory, the session shall also be facilitated by guest speakers from Bank of Tanzania and Ministry of Finance and Planning who will cover monetary and fiscal policies from a practical perspective.

(iii) An overview of economic transformation:

Over the past two decades, the term "economic transformation" has become not only a buzzword but also a real development objective in many developing countries. As articulated in Tanzania Development Vision 2025 and Second Five Years Development Plan 2016/17 - 2020/21 "Nurturing Industrialization for Economic Transformation and Human Development" economic transformation forms the heart of country's development goal. However, this concept is not well understood among many economists/planners.

This session will aim at educating the participants on the meaning and relevancy of economic transformation for today's Tanzania. The session shall also dwell on discussing the structure of the Tanzanian economy and the nature of the ongoing transformation in Tanzania.

(iv) Tanzania policy development process in a historical perspective:

Tanzania has a rich history of policy making since independence; unfortunately, most citizens including economists and planners are imperfectly acquainted with this history of policy making in the country. This session will therefore focus on illuminating planning process in Tanzania from a historical perspective and drawing lessons that experience for current policy concerns. The session will be facilitated by economists who have long and rich history of involvement in planning processes in Tanzania since independence.

(v) Budget Analysis:

National budget is certainly one of the key instruments used by governments in economic management. This session will introduce the participants to the budget process, the budget cycle and roles of different entities in the budget cycle. The session will also dwell on components of the budgets and key techniques to be used by economists/planners in analysis and interpreting national budget. In addition to the

main trainers, this session shall include guest speakers from Ministry of Finance and Planning who will provide the participants with an understanding of budget analysis from a practical perspective.

(vi) Current development challenges and their relevance to planning:

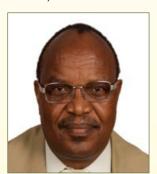
Today's world is characterized by important development challenges which need to be understood and taken into account in the planning process. This topic will address such challenges including the concept of green economy and integration of climate change issues in planning processes. The course shall address in sufficient detail implications of population issues (demographics, urbanization, etc) on planning and budgeting.

(vii) Global and regional process with implication to planning in Tanzania:

Tanzania as a member of global development community has ratified a number of commitments with implications to planning and budgeting. In this session, the participants shall be refreshed on a few of such commitments especially Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development (SDGs), Africa Agenda 2063, EAC 2050, Maputo Declaration (agriculture) and Abuja Declaration (health) etc.

Facilitators

The course shall be facilitated by three economists with vast knowledge and rich experience on development management in Tanzania and developing countries. The training shall also benefit from presentations from guest speakers from Ministry of Finance and Planning and Bank of Tanzania.

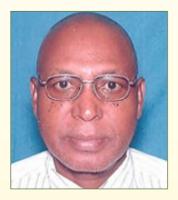


Professor Samuel Wangwe

Professor Samuel Wangwe has more than 40 years of experience as an economist, policy researcher, policy analyst, policy advisor, and as economist and an economic advisor to the Government of Tanzania. He holds a PhD in Economics (1980), MA in Economics (1973) and BA in Economics and Statistics (1972) from the University of Dar es Salaam. Prof. Wangwe's career history includes serving as Head of the Economics Department at the University of Dar es Salaam, Dean of Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at University of Dar es Salaam, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for New Technologies of the United Nations University in Maastricht, The Netherlands as well as Executive Director of Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF) and Policy Research for Development (REPOA).

Professor Wangwe has published 13 books, over 80 articles in scholarly journals and over 200 consultancy assignments in the areas of social accounting, economic policy reforms, labour and rural poverty, industrial development, development strategies foreign aid, capacity building, trade, regional integration, globalization and technology. Among the topical papers that he has written are: "Economic Reforms and Poverty alleviation."; "The Management of Foreign Aid in Tanzania"; "Capacity Building in Policy Analysis and Economic Management"; and one he co-authored with Prof. B. Ndulu, "Managing Tanzania's Economy in Transition to Sustainable Development."

Professor Wangwe currently serves as a Chairman of Daima Associates Limited (DAIMA), a private consulting firm based in Dar es Salaam that offers a range of professional services directed towards the economic management and policy analysis. He is also a Principal Research Associate with the Economic and Social Research Foundation.



Professor Haidari Amani

Professor Haidari Amani has more than 35 years of experience as an economist, a policy researcher and advisor to the Government of Tanzania. Professor Amani has participated in providing advisory services to the Government of Tanzania in economic management issues especially in areas related to agriculture and food security, rural development, poverty reduction, governance, regional integration, globalization and international trade.

He holds a PhD from Michigan State University USA (1981); a Master of Arts (Demography) degree from the University of Pennsylvania, USA (1986); a Master of Arts (Economics) degree from the University of Dar es Salaam (1976) and a Bachelor of Arts (Economics) degree from the University of Dar es Salaam (1974).

Professor Amani has co-authored three books and published substantial papers covering such areas as regional integration and agricultural and rural development. Some of Prof. Amani's key engagements include serving as the team leader in the formulation process of Tanzania's Rural Development Strategy 2002; a member of technical team in the process of preparing Tanzania's first Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (2000 – 2003) under Highly Indebted Poor Countries Initiative (HIPC); and a consultant in the formulation process of "Agriculture and Rural Development Strategy" for EAC Secretariat in 2000.

Prof. Amani's career history includes serving as a Professor and head of Economics Department at the University of Dar es Salaam as well as Executive Director of Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF). Prof. Amani is currently a Principal Research Associate at the Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF). He is also a Board member of and consultant with Daima Associates Limited (DAIMA), a private consulting firm based in Dar es Salaam that offers a range of professional services directed towards the economic management and policy analysis.



Dr. Suleiman Magesa Missango

Dr. Suleiman Magesa Missango has more than 30 years of experience as an Economist in monetary policy financial markets and economic research issues. He is currently the Director of Economic Research and Policy, Bank of Tanzania. He holds a PhD in Economics (2014), MA in Economics (2003) and BA in Economics (1996) from the University of Dar es Salaam.

He specialized in econometric and financial economics at PhD. Level and monetary economics public finance during MA studies. Dr. Missango's career history includes serving as the seasoned lecture at the University of Dar es Salaam. He also participated in various policy and operational assignments in technical teams for reforms of the financial sector in Tanzania, modernization of monetary and financial statistics, capital account liberalization and monetary affairs committee for Bank of Tanzania economic publications; Bonds Markets Development Committee, Research Technical Committee of the Bank of Tanzania and Technical Committee for liberalization of the insurance sector in Tanzania to mention but few.

He has participated in developing various policy papers, operations and guidelines on economic policies and financial markets issues. These include monetary and financial statistics and government fiscal sustainability. His most recent research undertakings includes demand for money and monetary policy in the East African countries (Ph.D. thesis) in 2014, exchange rate misalignment, monetary policy in developing countries after the financial crisis, exchange rate determination, alternative ways of accumulation of foreign exchange reserves, credit situation in Tanzania, and Bank of Tanzania's Rationale and modalities of buying gold.

Other assignments include participation in preparation of Bank of Tanzania 50th Anniversary Book, as well as Bank of Tanzania Report Writing Guidelines. He was responsible for Bank of Tanzania economic publications and statistics, such as Annual Economic Report, Quarterly Economic bulletin, and Monthly Economic Review.

Venue:

ESRF Conference Hall, Dar es Salaam

Duration:

Four (4) Days, Monday 26th to Thursday 29th August 2019

Course fee::

Tsh 800,000/= per participant. The fee will cover the facilitation fee, course materials, two tea breaks, buffet lunch, refreshments and a certificate of participation. It does not cover accommodation or travel costs. All payment should be made to: Economic and Social Research Foundation, Bank Name: CRDB BANK PLC, A/C: 0150258978600, SWIFT CODE: CORUTZTZ

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Application to the course and/or inquiries should be addressed to:-

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