



PROJECT NOTIFICATION

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Project Code	24-IP-09-GE-DLN-A
Title	APO e-Course on Productivity Statistics for Effective Policymaking
Timing	30 November 2024
Hosting Country(ies)	APO Secretariat
Venue City(ies)	Not Applicable
Modality	Digital Learning
Implementing Organization(s)	APO Secretariat
Participating Country(ies)	Open
Overseas Participants	Not applicable
Local Participants	Not applicable
Closing Date	Not Applicable
Remarks	Timing is the launch date of the e-course.

Objectives	Introduce key productivity concepts and measurement approaches, learn how productivity statistics are used to derive vital information for monitoring economic performance and policymaking, and understand the effective use of productivity data and statistics in policy analysis and economic activity monitoring.
Rationale	Productivity statistics are vital to assess current economic performance, make projections for the future, and compare achievements with targets. Methods and techniques for productivity analysis and internationally comparable data are evolving fast and it is crucial for public managers and policymakers to be able to use them effectively for evidence-based policymaking and monitoring the status of economies.
Background	<p>To promote productivity and thus boost living standards in the long term, public policies need an economy-wide frame of reference and linkages to sound statistics. Productivity statistics gather information from multiple domains to describe the efficiency with which an economy is able to turn economic inputs into outputs. Productivity statistics are important tools in economic planning and policymaking. The APO has been striving to measure productivity in its members and provide comparative analytical reports, e.g., the APO Productivity Databook series. Methods and techniques used to compile productivity data and analyze them have been continuously evolving to derive helpful insights.</p> <p>This course will help participants understand how to use productivity statistics in policymaking to advance national productivity agendas over time.</p>
Topics	What is productivity and why is it important?; How to measure productivity; What explains productivity growth in an economy?; Analyzing productivity performance in an economy; and Data and statistics in evidence-based policymaking for productivity.
Outcome	Participants are familiar with productivity statistics and key economic indicators and how they can be used in analysis for effective policymaking for productivity enhancement.
Qualifications	Open to participants in APO members and nonmembers.

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.



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