



APPLICATION OF GOVTECH SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVE PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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| <i>AREA OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: Public Financial Management (PFM)</i> | |
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| Targeted audience: | Mid-level to senior officials from budget, Treasury, and macro-fiscal departments, Audit units, and ICT departments from selected AFS Member countries and selected MEFMI, and other AFRITACs countries |
| Participation: | 2-3 participants per country |
| Dates: | April 10-14, 2023 |
| Venue: | Hybrid mode (In-person and virtual), Ebene/Zoom/Webex- online Platform |

Workshop description

GovTech solutions present new opportunities and challenges for digitalizing public financial management. They offer the potential to dramatically improve data collection and storage, increase the speed of transactions, and facilitate government interactions with citizens.

Building up on the previous regional workshops on PFM and digitalization 5 this workshop, jointly organized with FAD, will provide a peer-learning platform to the participants to share their experiences and to learn from international and regional best practices in digitalizing PFM. It will explore how PFM digital solutions should evolve and interact within the whole-of-government approach to modernize the public sector.

Acknowledging the role of digitalization in delivering public services — especially during the COVID19 pandemic— and in enhancing fiscal transparency through improving fiscal reporting, member countries are even more demanding of capacity development in this area.

Objectives:

The workshop will discuss:

- The role of digital technology in the modernization and enhancement of Public Financial Management (PFM) systems, and the associated risks, challenges.
- The innovative GovTech solutions and trends for public financial management.

Participants will also:

- get familiar with examples of good practices PFM digitalization from the international and regional environment
- connect with peers that are undergoing an accrual reform program.

⁵ 2021 regional workshop on “Digitalization and transparency in PFM” and the 2022 regional workshop on “Fiscal transparency portals and open data”

Duration and format:

This 4-day workshop will be delivered in hybrid mode (In person and virtual)

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| <i>Language requirements:</i> |
| The webinar will be delivered in English with simultaneous interpretation in French, if required |