



Employment Opportunity

“Public-Private Partnership (PPP): Insights and Lessons on Managing Contingent Liability”
Trainer for Special Lecture

PCAsia is seeking an energetic and motivated candidate to fill the position of Trainer for Special Lecture for a high profile and dynamic organization.

PARLIAMENTARY CENTRE OF ASIA

The Parliamentary Centre of Asia (PCAsia), established in early 2021 in Phnom Penh, is the successor of the Parliamentary Institute of Cambodia (PIC) founded in 2011, a transition that reflects an expansion of activities with Parliaments across Southeast Asia, and encouraged through an MoU with the ASEAN Inter-parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) and the adoption of resolutions by AIPA’s General Assembly. The mandate of PCAsia is therefore to contribute to the strengthening of Southeast Asian Parliaments through capacity building of their staff, based on the demands or requests of each Parliament. It draws on the expertise of national, regional, and international partners (Parliaments and research centres).

ROLE OF DEPARTMENT

The training of Parliamentary staff is at the core of PCAsia’s mission, and the Capacity Development (CD) department is responsible for carrying out the majority of this work. CD handles curriculum and syllabus design for many training programs, and its staff provides practical training according to their respective expertise for most of the training programs. With the transition to blended learning and learning by distance, CD staff increasingly play a facilitation role, working with external experts to design and deliver content suitable for digital platforms, then working with trainees to complete the related assignments.

Other responsibilities include researching, the mentoring and quality control of research products produced by the trained parliamentary researchers, and providing quality control technical advice with regards to newly-trained parliamentary staff members when back working in their institutions of provenance in applying their newly-acquired skills.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE FISCAL ANALYSIS CAPACITY TRAINING PROGRAM

PCAsia-Fiscal Analysis Capacity Training (FACT) program is offering the second phase training on fiscal analysis for Parliamentary staff from AIPA member Parliaments. Participants will increase the skills to produce reference information on budget analysis and fiscal issues to assist parliamentarians in reviewing the nation’s finance and appropriations bills and making

responsive budget legislation and policies. The program consists of three training modules, starting from basic level and moving onto more intermediate topics and skills, running from July 2021 to December 2022. The program has selected a total of 17 parliamentary staff to participate in the training (16 from Cambodia, 1 from Lao PDR).

POSITION DESCRIPTION

To be able to undertake this task with high quality and relevance, FACT program needs a specialized trainer to provide a special lecture on “Public-Private Partnership (PPP): Insights and Lessons on Managing Contingent Liability” to the FACT program participants. This special lecture is to draw important lessons from international PPP experiences in the region. This activity will provide additional knowledge to the participants on the vital role of PPPs in infrastructure development to augment the government’s fiscally constrained resources, the key issues and challenges confronting PPPs, and efforts in managing contingent liabilities to safeguard fiscal sustainability.

The role of the specialized trainer is to deliver the special lecture on the mentioned subject aiming at improving participant’s understanding of international PPP experiences, identify pertinent issues and challenges, and draw important lessons especially in mitigating the fiscal risks associated with contingent liabilities arising with PPPs. The trainer is required to deliver a lecture, monitor progress, and provide in-class evaluation. The objectives of the special lecture are as follows:

- review the PPP experience of various countries in ASEAN, and identify emerging issues and challenges
- examine ongoing efforts towards developing a framework for managing contingent liabilities
- identify policy gaps and areas for reforms and institutional building for management and monitoring of contingent liabilities.

MAIN TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES / SCOPE OF WORK

The specialized trainer is expected to:

- Design the detailed course syllabus/curriculum/session plan on Public Private Partnerships (PPPs); adjusted for the ASEAN context, and ensure that the pedagogical and practical considerations are included in the design
- Produce training materials including practical exercises to meet the identified needs of the trainees, adopting a varied, interactive and practical approach
- Deliver and administer the training for effective learning, with deployment of formative assessment for gathering evidence of participant’s learning
- Administer exercises in between sessions to help gauge the participant’s learning progress
- Provide detailed feedback and in-class evaluation (e.g., quiz, assignment)

- Provide additional support (apart from the training sessions if necessary) according to trainees' initial capacity to ensure learning progress
- Collaborate constructively with the FACT program team to ensure the training is effectively and successfully delivered.

TIMEFRAME

- Course duration: 12 hours, during April 2022
- Training delivery: by distance, 2 days per week of 3-hour sessions using Zoom and Moodle.

EXPECTED DELIVERABLES/OUTPUTS

The outputs to be produced from the training service are:

- Course syllabus/curriculum/session plan and course outlines on Public Private Partnership: Insights and Lessons on Managing Contingent Liability to meet the above objectives
- Results of learning achievements through the pre and post-test evaluations
- Training materials (including slide presentations, practical exercises, homework, written assignment)
- A list of reading materials to support the training (textbooks, data sources, additional reading materials, glossary)
- Training delivery within the suggested timeframe
- Final report of the training including learning evaluation and recommendations for future improvement.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Essential

- A Master degree or higher in Economics, Public Finance, Development Economics or related fields. PhD is preferable
- A minimum of five years of experience in providing training/lectures, producing research and/or working on public private partnership, national budget, public financial management, economic policy analysis or related fields
- Experience in working in Parliamentary Budget Offices or similar parliamentary departments in any of the ASEAN member countries
- Experience in designing and administering training courses, developing training materials and assessing progress of students
- Understanding of economic and social issues in the ASEAN context would be an advantage
- Strong spoken and written English proficiency.

Application Information

Interested applicants should send a cover letter and CV to job@pcasia.org with Trainer for Special Lecture on “Public-Private Partnership (PPP): Insights and Lessons on Managing Contingent Liability to the FACT program”, in the subject line. The application deadline is 11 March 2022. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.