Strengthening Governance of Public Infrastructure Agenda

November 12-15th, 2019 Ljubljana, Slovenia







Tuesday, Nov 12	Strengthening Infrastructure Governance	Speakers
08:30 - 09:00	Registration of participants	
09:00 - 09:30	Welcome statement, introductions, and workshop objectives and expectations Brief introduction of participants	G. Schwartz (IMF) J. Repanšek (CEF) R. Heikkinen (EC)
09:30 – 10:45	P1. What is Infrastructure Governance and why is it important? <u>Discussion Panel</u> : Definition and importance of infrastructure governance; link to public investment efficiency.	Moderator G. Schwartz Panelists
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 12:00	L1. Infrastructure Governance in the region and in Europe, current practices and challenges	C. Renteria
	Presentation: main findings of IMF's capacity development activities in the region and globally.	Mediha Agar (WB) Jonas Fallow (WB)
	P2. Infrastructure Governance Community of Practice – International Experience	E. Aldunate I. Rial
12:00 – 1:00	<u>Discussion</u> of international experience and relevance for the region.	
	Presentation IMF's platform supporting the Infrastructure Governance Regional Network	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 15:30	L2. Strengthening public investment planning Presentation:	E. Tandberg E. Aldunate
	Topics: Strategic planning; coordination between sectorial and national strategies; costing infrastructure projects.	Country teams
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee break	
45.45 47.00	WG1. Case Study – Costing infrastructure projects, Dealing with uncertainty	Group work
15:45 – 17:00	and risks Exercise: Costing of a project and use of scenario analysis.	I. Rial, E. Aldunate, S. Flynn E. Tandberg
	Welcome dinner	

Wednesday, Nov 13	Allocating resources for public infrastructure	
09:00 – 09:15	Reflections on what we learned on Day 1. Discussion.	S. Flynn
09:15 – 10:30	L3. Budgeting for infrastructure projects Presentation: Medium-term fiscal framework and expenditures ceilings for capital expenditure; project selection criteria, maintenance.	E. Aldunate S. Flynn

10:30 – 11:00	L4. External funding for infrastructure: Instrument for Pre-accession Presentation: The Western Balkan Investment Framework.	Ritva Heikkinen (EC- DGNEAR)
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 12:15	L5. External funding for infrastructure: addressing dual capital budgeting Presentation: Role of external funding; importance of a single pipeline for projects; challenges in project selection and budget funding.	C. Renteria E. Tandberg R. Heikkinen
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 15:00	L6. Managing external funding for infrastructure Presentation by country teams: Current national practices.	Country teams
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break	
15:15 – 16:15	WG2. Case Study – Project selection, Building a fiscally sustainable infrastructure portfolio Exercise: Given a hypothetical medium-term fiscal framework, a capital expenditure ceiling, a project selection criterion, and a pipeline of appraised projects, participants will propose a set of projects for budget funding and discuss options.	Group work I. Rial E. Aldunate S. Flynn E. Tandberg
16:15 – 17:00	Case Study discussion	
	City Tour	

Thursday, Nov 14	Oversight and management of infrastructure projects—Dealing with risks in infrastructure	
09:00 – 09:15	Reflections on what we learned on Day 2. Discussion.	S. Flynn
09:15 – 10:15	L7. Monitoring and managing infrastructure projects and public assets Presentation: Current practices and regional challenges monitoring and managing infrastructure projects, balance sheet.	E. Aldunate
10:15 – 11:30	L8. Private sector participation in public infrastructure Presentation: the role of private sector financing in public infrastructure, macro-fiscal implications of PPPs, challenges for infrastructure governance	I. Rial Country teams
11:30 – 11:45	Coffee break	
11:45 – 12:45	L9. The PPP Fiscal Risk Assessment Model—PFRAM 2.0 Presentation: what is PFRAM 2.0; what it can and cannot do; how it works; how to use in fiscal analysis.	I. Rial
12:45 – 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 15:00	WG3. Case Study—Evaluation of fiscal costs and risks of PPPs using PFRAM 2.0 Exercise: participants will work with a PPP portfolio of 3 projects, input them in the PFRAM, simulate impact on the portfolio of macro shocks and a contract termination.	Group work I. Rial E. Aldunate S. Flynn E. Tandberg
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break	Ü
15:15 – 16:00	WG3. Case Study—Evaluation of fiscal costs and risks of PPPs using PFRAM 2.0 [cont.]	Group work I. Rial
16:00 – 17:00	Case Study—Discussion	

Friday, Nov 15	Infrastructure Governance and Fiscal Transparency	
09:00 – 09:15	Reflections on what we learned on Day 3. Discussion.	S. Flynn
09:15 – 10:15	L10. Infrastructure Governance and Fiscal Transparency Presentation of country teams: current practices reporting infrastructure assets and related risks, balance sheets.	E. Tandberg S. Flynn Country teams
10:15 – 11:15	L11. The role of information systems in supporting infrastructure governance Presentation: what do we expect from a strong information system; how far is the region from good practices.	E. Aldunate Country teams
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 – 12:30	P.3 Launch of the "Infrastructure Governance Regional Network". Discussion: Definition of objectives, approving basic guidelines/rules. Selection of country representative to preside the first year. Date and country of next meeting.	C. Renteria
12:30 – 13:00	P4. Open Discussion on key challenges in the region to strengthen infrastructure governance Concluding Remarks	C. Renteria
13:00 – 13:30	Seminar evaluation, certificates and wrap-up	C. Renteria J. Repanšek
13:30	Closing lunch	