



Utilizing private sector involvement at the local level through Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) to enhance the delivery of sustainable water and sanitation services in Asia

Virtual workshop (via Zoom)

Summary:

Access to clean water and safe sanitation is one of the most critical infrastructure issues in the world, with a significant impact on public health. In many developing countries, the water and sanitation infrastructure are inadequate due to various hurdles, including the lack of technical capacity and insufficient financing. As discussed in Policy Brief No. 2023-3 – [Long-Term Financing for City-Wide Inclusive Sanitation](#), innovative and long-term financing options are needed to fund the sizeable capital investments required to address the infrastructure gap. The public-private partnership model, used by governments across the world, which brings together the public and private parties for the development and operation of various categories of infrastructure is one of the models that stands out as one of the potential tools to mobilize to address the infrastructure gap in water and sanitation infrastructure in developing countries.

Led by Prof. Yu Namba of Toyo University Graduate School of Public-Private Partnership, this half-day online workshop for government officials and practitioners from developing member countries (DMCs) of ADB will delve into the fundamentals of the public-private-partnership (“PPP”) model, the use of the model by the local governments as the parties which generally assume the primary responsibility for water and sanitation infrastructure and issues and opportunities specific to the use of the PPP model in the context of relevant infrastructure. Final session of this workshop will focus on the use of the PPP model in the Asian countries to develop and/or improve the water & sanitation infrastructure. The sessions will include interactive Q&A discussions.

Speakers:

Yu Namba – Professor, Graduate School of Public-Private Partnership, TOYO University

Jin Sasaki – Visiting professor at TOYO University, partner at Deloitte Tohmatsu Financial Advisory

Partners:

Toyo University PPP School (Graduate School of Economics Course of Public-Private Partnerships)

Toyo University’s PPP School offers a two-year Master’s degree course in the field of PPP and has, as of 2024, around 250 graduates from Japan and abroad. Since its establishment in 2006, the school has been actively involved in promoting social and economic development through PPPs in local governments in Japan and some Asian countries. The school promotes both academic and on-site learning experiences in PPP projects.

Asia Public Private Partnership Institute

Asia Public Private Partnership Institute has been established in 2011 under Toyo University to promote PPP knowledge and PPP based infrastructure development across Asia. The institution is engaged in two main activities – (i) research and educational work concerning the PPP regulatory frameworks in Asian countries and (ii) advisory program focused on local government PPPs in Asia.

Draft agenda (TBC): Please kindly note that prior to the event, some changes might occur.

Time (JST)	Time allocation	Activity	Speaker (s)
14:00-14:15	15 mins	Participants joining online, brief self-introductions	MC
14:15-14:20	5 mins	Group photo	All participants
14:20-14:30	10 mins	Welcoming remarks	ADBI Deputy Dean Seungju Baek
14:30-15:00	30 mins	Session 1: Introduction of the PPP model	Yu Namba (TOYO University)
15:00-15:30	30 mins	Q&A	
15:30-16:00	30 mins	Session 2: Use of the PPP model by the local governments, issues and opportunities related to water and sanitation infrastructure.	Yu Namba (TOYO University)
16:00-16:30	30 mins	Q&A	
16:30-16:40	10 mins	Short break	
16:40-17:10	30 mins	Session 3: Use of the PPP model in Asia for water and sanitation infrastructure	Jin Sasaki (TOYO University)
17:10-17:40	30 mins	Q&A	
17:40-17:50	10 mins	Closing remarks	Adrian Torres (ADB)
17:50-18:00	10 mins	Awarding of certificates	KE Seetha Ram (ADBI)