SMART CITY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

14 SEPTEMBER AND 5 OCTOBER 2022

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The ASEAN Australia Smart Cities Trust Fund (AASCTF) sees capacity development as one of its major outputs, alongside technical support for the planning systems, service delivery, and financial management of ASEAN cities. Since the trust fund started in 2019, AASCTF has been conducting smart city introduction workshops across the region to not only showcase how the trust fund can benefit cities, but also to gain an understanding of their needs and opportunities for smart interventions. Through this effort, we are now pleased to cater one of the top priorities cited by cities in terms of knowledge and skills they would like to enhance: Smart City Financial Management.

Why Smart City Financial Management (SCFM)?

Cities and municipalities in the region face multiple pressing challenges; but limited resources, especially local government budgets, can hinder which issues can be resolved. Cities must be able to improve the efficiency of their revenue generation and diversify their funding sources to be able to have the means to finance urban development.

This thematic workshop will enable city officials to develop a roadmap for baseline needs and improve their financial management, including generating stronger revenue growth. Participants will also identify, evaluate, and leverage opportunities, risks, and the changes necessary for effective investment and deployment of smart solutions. The course content will be structured to ensure direct applicability of the lessons, so participants can prepare a practical strategy or business case for SCFM investment in their cities, including identifying gaps that need to be addressed for effective implementation of SCFM.

1 June 2022	5 July 2022	Early August 2022	14 September 2022	15 September - 4 October 2022	5 October 2022
Application opens	Application deadline	All applicants will receive an answer	Workshop 1	Take-home exercise	Workshop 2

Target participants

The workshop is designed for officials working on financial management, financial decision-makers, and for government staff involved in the finance department or ministry.

Schedule and duration

The course will consist of two online half-day sessions (14 September and 5 October) and take-home exercises. Participants will spend a minimum of 15 hours between these sessions to work on a business case.

Languages

The course will be held in English with simultaneous remote interpretation available in Bahasa Indonesian, Khmer, Lao, and Vietnamese on an 'as-needed' basis.

Application

The course is free, but there is only a limited number of seats available. The deadline for applications is 5 July.