

TIPS TRAINING WORKSHOPS 2017



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Course Name	Background and Aim	Course overview	Trainer(s)	Date and length	Costs
<p>Trade Policy and Practice</p> <p><u>Module Two</u> Theme: SA's role in Regional Integration</p>	<p>The three day workshop will focus on regional integration in Africa</p>	<p>This workshop will provide a 'state of play' of the TFTA/CFTA negotiations. Facilitating a discussion of the contentious issues around the revenue formula and decision making.</p>	<p>Dr Faizel Ismail</p>	<p>28,29 & 30 June</p>	<p>R8000 (VAT incl) Per participant</p>
<p><u>Module Three</u> Theme: SA's role in the Multilateral Trading System.</p>	<p>The three day workshop will focus on the WTO.</p>	<p>This workshop will provide a simulation of the WTO green room and ministerial conference.</p>	<p>Dr Faizel Ismail</p>	<p>18, 19 and 20 Sept</p>	<p>R8000 (VAT incl) Per participant</p>

<p>Microeconomics for non-economists</p>	<p>A course for public sector officials whose jobs require them to interact with; and/or influence the enabling environment within which private sector firms operate.</p>	<p>The course is designed to assist officials who have no formal economics training to understand in a theoretically rigorous manner: how a modern <i>economy</i> operates and functions; how <i>markets</i> operate and grow; and, how <i>firms</i> make investment, output and employment decisions.</p> <p>It will provide a better understand published economic research, statistical releases and media reporting thereby assisting in capacity building and knowledge development; and understand and anticipate firm and market responses to governmental actions and interventions thereby increasing the efficacy of policy and strategy development and implementation.</p>	<p>Sandy Lowitt</p>	<p>2 Days 4-5 September</p>	<p>R5300 (VAT incl) Per participant</p>
<p>Introduction to Economy-Wide Modelling for Policy Analysis, (Workshop B)</p> <p>http://www.tips.org.za/economy-wide-analysis-workshops</p>	<p>TIPS has evolved a suite of three related introductory workshops designed to meet these different needs. All three workshops focus on learning by doing. Brief presentations introduce the various topics, after which participants do hands-on exercises implementing what they have learned. There is also emphasis on the nature of the data underlying the models. Participants undertake projects dealing with typical issues, using real world data.</p>	<p>Targets primarily managers and policy analysts, although it is also useful for those wishing to become modellers who want to get a taste of what it is like. It introduces participants to the key components of standard CGE models, emphasising how to use economy-wide models and the economic interpretation of their outputs, rather than the techniques of building them. The models are run using a specially developed MS Excel interface with specialised modelling software.</p>	<p>Professor Rob Davies (from Zimbabwe) and Dirk van Seventer</p>	<p>5 days 9 – 13 Oct</p>	<p>R16,500 (VAT excl) Per participant</p>

<p>Introduction to Economy-Wide Policy Impact Analysis</p> <p>(Workshop A)</p>		<p>The first of these three workshops, Economy-Wide Policy Impact Analysis, is suitable for all three of kinds of users mentioned above. It introduces participants to input-output, SUT and SAM multiplier analysis and their extensions. These techniques are widely used to assess the likely impact of policy and other shocks to the economy. They can also form the basis for many CGE models. All the models are implemented in MS Excel.</p>	<p>Professor Rob Davies (from Zimbabwe) and Dirk van Seventer</p>	<p>5 days 16 - 20 Oct</p>	<p>R16,500 (VAT excl) Per participant</p>
<p>Introduction to Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) Modelling with GAMS</p> <p>(Workshop C)</p>		<p>More advance course for those interested in acquiring the skills to build their own models.</p> <p>Specifically targets those wanting to become modellers. It introduces the participants to economy-wide model building, using specialised modelling software. While the material is driven by the economics of models, the major focus is on actual model building techniques. This workshop does not require prior knowledge of model building, but is technically more difficult than either of the other two workshops. It does assume a basic understanding of SAMs.</p>	<p>Professor Rob Davies (from Zimbabwe) and Dirk van Seventer</p>	<p>5 days 23 - 27 Oct</p>	<p>R16,500 (VAT excl) Per participant</p>

Green Economy in Context	The course considers the opportunities to advance to low-carbon, resource efficient and socially inclusive development and how to apply 'green economy' concepts in the current policy environment.	Participants will learn about different concepts and facets of the green economy, as well as global, national and sector-specific challenges. Additionally, participants will develop the skills for applying the green economy concept in a real world economic and policy context.	Gaylor Montmasson-Clair	2 days 30 & 31 October	R5300 (VAT incl) Per participant
Macroeconomics for Policymakers	Reviews the impacts of macroeconomic policies in South Africa and other countries in the context of an increasingly integrated and globalised economy where the role of international finance has significantly grown.	It will examine core issues affecting South Africa within this macroeconomic context: unemployment, investment and the economic and industrial growth path of South Africa.	TBC	3 days TBC	R8000 (VAT incl) Per participant