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**Invitation to WEBINAR**

## **IMF Online Learning: Shaping the Future of Capacity Development**

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**Tuesday, February 15, 2022**  
4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. (IST)

Registration Deadline  
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2022**

### **ABSTRACT**

The Webinar, in cooperation with the IMF Institute for Capacity Development, will give a glimpse of the online learning opportunities that the IMF Online Training program offers to broader audiences worldwide, and how all the participants can take advantage of this program.

The increased demand for online learning in the aftermath of the pandemic has accelerated the efforts to grow the IMF's online learning curriculum and adapt the program to best serve the learners' needs. Since the start of the pandemic, the number of active participants in IMF courses has doubled to over 121,000 learners. The IMF online learning program contains more than forty free online courses, available in multiple languages on edX, as well as nearly 200 microlearning videos available on The IMF Institute Learning Channel on You Tube.

Steps are being taken to implement more broadly blended and modular learning. Our topics range from general economic analysis to government debt and sustainability, central banking law, and economic statistics. The program is helping increase the accessibility of IMF expertise to broader audiences, and all IMF online courses have been made available to government officials and members of the general public with extended registration timelines.

### **WEBINAR OBJECTIVES**

- i. Provide an overview of online learning opportunities, including the structure of the curriculum, different modalities, and new courses available;
- ii. Discuss how online learning can be integrated more systematically in staff development;
- iii. Elaborate on how online learning and other CD modalities can be integrated for training purposes;

- iv. Seek feedback on online learning.

## TARGET AUDIENCE

The webinar is primarily designed SARTTAC-member country officials, academia, and the general public interested in IMF online learning. There is no limit on the number of attendees, so the event is open to all those interested.

## ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



Ms. Oana Croitoru is a Deputy Division Chief in the ICD, where she leads the Fund's online learning program. She joined the IMF in 2010, initially in the Monetary and Capital Markets Department (MCM), at the height of the global financial crisis. While there, she worked on crisis management and provided substantial technical assistance and training to member countries. She joined ICD in 2017 and made important contributions to the IMF's 2018 Capacity Development Strategy Review. She previously worked as an Advisor at Romania's central bank and at the World Bank and Institute of International Finance in Washington DC and has a Ph.D. in Economics from the Academy of Economic Studies in Bucharest and a post-graduate degree in International Finance from the George Washington University.



Mr. Matthew Di Carlo is a Capacity Development Officer in the Institute for Capacity Development of the IMF. He contributes to overseeing the overall run of the online program and project manages the creation of new online training courses. He has Masters' degrees in Comparative History from Brandeis University and International Relations from the London School of Economics.



Ms. Nina Dsa is an instructional designer in the Online Learning team of the Institute for Capacity Development. As a learning designer, she collaborates with instructors to design and deliver meaningful online learning experiences for adult learners. She holds a Master of Education degree in Technology, Innovation, and Education from Harvard University, and a Master of Communication Studies (Media Research) degree from Pune University, India.



Ms. Emanuella Fernandes is a Program Officer in the Institute for Capacity Development of the IMF. She oversees the dissemination and outreach of the Online learning Courses. Before joining the IMF, Emanuella previously worked in the World Bank as a Communications Specialist for the Africa team. She has a Master's in international relations from Georgetown University in Washington DC and earned a bachelor's degree in Communications and Journalism in Brazil.

## QUESTIONS?

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