

**The Policy Practice and ODI are delighted to announce the opportunity to undertake our Political Economy Analysis in Action training course.** The training is based on the flagship face-to-face course we have provided over 35 times since 2008 for the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) and other organisations, including the Netherlands Foreign Ministry, Belgian Technical Cooperation, GIZ, Irish Aid, the Department for Foreign Affairs and Trade of Australia, the IMF, the European Commission, EBRD and UNDP.

The course is delivered by **Alex Duncan** (Policy Practice), **David Booth** (ODI), **Laure-Hélène Piron** (Policy Practice) and **Neil McCulloch** (Policy Practice). It is facilitated by **Samantha Wade** (Policy Practice).

### What is the course and who is it for?

Political economy analysis is about understanding the contexts – national, sectoral and local – in which development happens and the incentives that determine how the relevant actors behave and interact with each other.

The course is designed to equip advisers and programme managers to identify key political and institutional challenges and to draw well-grounded conclusions for strategy, and programme design and implementation.

### By the end of the course, participants will understand:

- What political economy analysis (PEA) is, and where it comes from
- How it can be used to improve development policy and programme design and management
- What tools and frameworks are available for PEA and how they can be applied

### Participant requirements:

The on-line training comprises ten interactive sessions spread over seventeen weeks, with reading breaks. We estimate that 35+ hours are needed to complete the course, or about 3-4 hours per week.

On-line participants are strongly encouraged to sign up with colleagues in the same country office organisation (3+ participants). We can also set up mixed study groups with individuals from all around the world.

You are given access to an on-line teaching platform. This provides you with a combination of study guides, video lectures, an on-line library, webinars and several stimulating case studies. Participants take part in interactive exercises with both tutors and other participants, and contribute to both discussion forums and four webinar discussions.

**When:** 22 February - 21st June 2021.

The course will start with a live launch on Thursday 4th March 2021. We will encourage you to meet with your study groups and view Session 1 materials from the week of 22nd February.

**Cost:** Early bird offer if you apply before 15th January - £600 (plus VAT if applicable). If applying after 15th January cost is £650 (+ VAT if applicable)

We can offer groups of 5+ from the same organisation a discounted price of £600 (+ VAT if applicable) per person.

**To apply - please fill in the online form**

**Apply Now**

**The deadline for applications is Friday 29th January 2021.**

If you have any questions, please contact us on [training@thepolicypractice.com](mailto:training@thepolicypractice.com)

Testimonials from former participants on the online training course:

*"Fantastic course which prompted many discussions within my current team based on their country office experience and with colleagues. Very high quality tutors, materials and support."*

*"The discussion groups are a key feature – without them I think the volume of material would have been quite overwhelming. I also really appreciated the annotated bibliography, one of the key benefits of the course."*

*"Thanks for a well-organised course!"*

*"This is one of the best courses I have taken in my current role. It was relevant and well delivered."*