47th PURC/World Bank International Training Program on Utility Regulation and Strategy

A collaboration between the Public Utility Research Center at the University of Florida and the World Bank

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University of Florida
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Purpose:
To provide an unparalleled experience to learn problem-solving techniques complemented by an international exchange of ideas and experiences. To enhance the economic, technical, and policy skills required for managing sustainable regulatory system for infrastructure sectors.

State-of-the-Art Training:
This is an intensive two-week program specifically tailored to the professional needs of utility regulators, policymakers and infrastructure managers.

International Faculty:
The international faculty has been assembled from regulatory institutions, the World Bank, leading universities, infrastructure companies, financial institutions, and other international organizations. Faculty are selected on the basis of expertise, experience and communications skills.

Teaching Methods:
The training program involves 10 full days of lectures, sector-specific case studies, practice exercises, and discussions with leading utility experts. Short breaks in between sessions as well as meal times provide additional opportunities for participants to share expertise and experiences with one another.

Program Tuition:
The program fees are U.S. $7,200 for utility regulators and U.S. $8,400 for staff from private or public infrastructure companies. The fee includes program tuition; living accommodations for 13 nights; daytime meals Monday-Friday including breakfast, refreshment breaks and lunch; welcome reception, one dinner and Awards Dinner; classroom materials; plant visits and campus tour; APMG CP3P Foundation Level Certification Exam fee, and Basic Economics Training.
How to apply and pay for the program:

Application can be made online through our website www.purc.ufl.edu. Selection of participants will be made by the program’s Admissions Committee. Criteria for selection will be based on the applicant’s current position, relevant professional expertise, and on achieving a balanced cross-sectoral, cross-regional, and national representation.

Full payment must be received by the payment deadline in order to guarantee your seat at the program. If full payment is received after the payment deadline and if there are seats available, this may result in alternate hotel accommodations arranged at the discretion of the PURC Program Committee. There is a cancellation deadline for the program (see below). Cancellations received after this date (in writing) will allow a refund of 70% of the registration fee.

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Program structure and topics:

Based on discussions with representatives from regulatory institutions in more than 100 countries and a continuous needs assessment, the World Bank and PURC have identified broad topics that will be covered during this two-week course:

- Market Reform and Regulation of Network Industries
- Financial Analysis for Utility Regulation
- Principles and Application of Incentive Regulation
- Non-Price Aspects of Utility Regulation
- Managing the Introduction of Competition in and for the Market
- Rate Structure
- Managing the Regulatory Process
- Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)

A number of topics require a basic understanding of economic and financial analysis while others present an overview of comparative administrative law and rule-making procedures. A complimentary, optional Basic Economics Training is offered to attendees on check-in day, Sunday, January 12, 2020. Sectoral and country cases are also used throughout the course.

The overall number of participants is limited in order to give individuals substantial opportunities to interact with faculty and peers during the training course. A certificate of completion with CEUs (Continuing Educations Units) will be presented to all participants recognizing their training experience and commitment to continued learning. All participants also have the option to sit for APMG’s Foundation Level CP3P Certification Exam.

Venue:

The training will be hosted at the Warrington College of Business at the University of Florida.

For more information about the program, please visit www.purc.ufl.edu or contact us at purcecon@warrington.ufl.edu