Improving Gender Responsive Budgeting

Objectives and Agenda

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• The workshop will:
  • familiarize the participants with an integrated perspective on gender budgeting;
  • promote peer learning by providing an opportunity for focused facilitation of the good practices and experience in gender responsive budgeting; and,
  • initiate dialogue among different institutions responsible for gender equality.
THEME 1: Introduction to Gender Budgeting

• Day 1

• Session 1.1 Overview of Gender Responsive Budgeting

• Session 1.2 - Presentation on Sustainable Development Goal 5
THEME 2: Regional aspects of gender equality and Gender Responsive Budgeting within AFE Region

• Session 2.1 - Presentation on gender responsive budgeting in the AFE region

• Session 2.2 - Country Presentations

• Session 2.3 - Plenary Discussion on country presentations

• Day 2

• Session 2.4 - Presentation on results of the country assessment of GRB using G7 methodology
Theme 3: Prerequisites for Effective GRB

- Session 3.1 - Videoconference presentation on recent initiatives by IMF in GRB
- Session 3.2 - Institutional framework and prerequisites for Gender Budgeting - The Austrian Experience
- Session 3.3 Gender Budgeting in the context of Budget Preparation - The Ugandan Experience
- Session 3.4 Budget Execution and GRB – Challenges in Data collection
- Session 3.5 - Plenary Discussion
THEME 4: Way Forward

• Day 3

• Session 4.1: Break Away Session: Designing a Budget Statement on GRB

• Session 4.2: Plenary on takeaways from the workshop

• Session 4.4: Wrap-up and Closing Session

• Social event (Optional)
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Wrap-up session

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Where are we?

- Motivation: GRB addresses both issues of growth and equality
- Varied levels of GRB practices
  - Some more advanced than others
  - Issues around understanding the concepts and processes
- Issues around lack of credibility of the annual budget
- Important to understand where countries stand
  - Context is important
  - Potential for reforms varies widely across countries
  - Home grown approaches work best
- Peer-learning – could it be used more?
Key issues and challenges

• Political leadership and commitment to reduce the gender gaps is critical
  • Political bye-in to GRB

• Legal framework important but not sufficient
  • Provisions in constitution and PFM Acts in place in many countries
  • Need to be supplemented by regulations and detailed guidelines on GRB

• MoF leadership is critical
  • But not enough..
  • Involvement and ownership of line ministries and statistical offices is important (delineation of roles)
  • As is involvement of parliamentary bodies and NGOs
  • Establish ‘watchdogs’ to ensure accountability for results
Key issues and challenges

• Introduce GRB as part of broader public sector management reforms
  • GRB is cross-cutting
  • Needs to be part of the overall PFM reform strategy (maximizing the returns) especially budget credibility

• Important to mainstream it in the entire budget cycle
  • Ex-ante in budget preparation
  • Concurrent in budget execution
  • Ex-post in evaluation and audit of performance

• Having the right and timely data is key (baseline)
  • For both designing the interventions and targets
  • Assessing their impact
Key issues and challenges

Keep the reforms simple and sequenced
• Address gaps in legal and regulatory framework and implementation
• Identify few and key goals and indicators
• Pilot approach in a few ministries
• Reflecting on the progress of reforms

• Give yourself time
  • Sufficient preparatory phase
  • In identifying gender gaps, design interventions and developing a monitoring framework and also
• Building ownership and political consensus
Do you agree?
Any other issues?
Thank you