DAY 1 - MONDAY, JUNE 8

8:30 a.m. REGISTRATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE BRIEFING (JVI)

8:45 a.m. Opening Session on Implementation Issues in Participant Countries
Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

This is the ice-breaker session where all participants introduce themselves and briefly (3 min. max) present the main issues of concern in strategy implementation and the current problems in debt management.

9:15 a.m. Designing a Government Debt Management Strategy: A Summary
Antonio Velandia-Rubiano, Lead Financial Officer
Financial Advisory and Banking, World Bank Treasury

- Why is it important to have a debt management strategy?
- Review of the process for strategy design
- Cost and risk trade-offs
- Macroeconomic considerations
- Market development issues
- Trade-offs made in the formulation of a strategy
- Governance arrangements

10:00 a.m. Implementing a Debt Management Strategy: Issues and Threats – Part 1
Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

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11:15 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

11:30 a.m. Implementing a Debt Management Strategy: Issues and Threats – Part 2
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12:30 p.m. LUNCH (participants’ own arrangements)

1:30 p.m. Implementing a Debt Management Strategy: Case of Romania
Gabriel-George Vasile, Expert, Ministry of Public Finance, Romania

- Background
- Front Office structure
- Designing the funding plan
- Execution: auctions, buybacks, exchanges and swaps
- Operational risk
- Performance evaluation
- Conclusions

2:30 p.m. Hands-on Exercise on Developing an Issuance Plan
Olga Akcadag, Securities Market Specialist
Indhu Raghavan, Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

This is a 3-day exercise. On this first day, participants are given the government funding requirements spread over the year, estimates of the market absorptive capacity, the previous year funding plan and broad guidelines on the objectives of the issuance program. On this basis, participants are requested to present a funding plan for the year. This implies deciding the timing, size and instrument type of issuance.

- Explanation of the exercise and the mechanics
- Class divided in groups
- Small group discussion
- Small group presentation
- Overall discussion

3:15 p.m. COFFEE BREAK
Using IBRD Financial Products to Implement a Debt Management Strategy
John Balafoutis, Lead Financial Officer
Financial Advisory and Banking, World Bank Treasury

Hands-on Exercise on Developing an Issuance Plan (cont’d)
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5:25 p.m.  5 minutes for course evaluation
DAY 2 - TUESDAY, JUNE 9

8:45 a.m. Summary of Day 1

9:00 a.m. Instrument Choice in the Implementation of the Debt Management Strategy
Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

- Assessing demand opportunities, constraints and risks
- Instrument choice
- Discount and coupons
- Plain vanilla vs. structured
- Indexed instruments
- Fungibility vs. fragmentation
- Benchmark issues
- Differences and similarities in the foreign and domestic markets

10:00 a.m. Issuance Mechanisms for Government Securities
Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

- Selling techniques: auctions, fixed-price, private placements, syndication retail
distribution through conventional channels (commercial banks/central banks/post
offices), direct sales using “new” technology, and tap sales
- Auction theory in brief and practice (What does empirical evidence tells us?)

11:00 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

11:15 a.m. Primary Dealers for Government Securities
Olga Akcadag, Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

- Primary dealer systems

12:30 p.m. LUNCH (participants’ own arrangements)
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1:45 p.m.  Investor Base for Domestic Government Securities
Indhu Raghavan, Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

- Domestic investors
- Foreign investor participation
- Investor base diversification

3:00 p.m.  COFFEE BREAK

3:15 p.m.  Hands-on Exercise on Developing an Issuance Plan (cont’d)
Olga Akcadag, Securities Market Specialist
Indhu Raghavan, Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

This is a 3-day exercise. On this second day, participants will be provided with additional information to continue the exercise. Preparation of funding plan and liability management transactions to meet goals established in the first day of the exercise.

5:55 p.m.  5 minutes for course evaluation

6:30 p.m.  WELCOME DINNER
DAY 3 - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

8:45 a.m. Summary of Day 2

9:00 a.m. Buybacks and Exchanges
Indhu Raghavan, Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

- Why DMOs buy-back their paper
- Preparing a buy-back operation
- Design and execution of debt exchanges

10:15 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

10:30 a.m. Execution Issues in the Domestic Market
Olga Akcadag, Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

- Issuance frequency
- Execution risks (wrong timing and investor base, collusion, lack of motivation of market participants)
- Promoting transparency (auction calendar, reports and investor relations)

11:30 a.m. Open Discussion: Implementation in the Domestic Market
Government Bond Market Advisory Team
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

This facilitated discussion will review participating countries’ experiences with topics covered thus far.

11:45 a.m. GROUP PHOTO

12:00 p.m. LUNCH (participants’ own arrangements)
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1:00 p.m.  
**Overview of Derivatives and their Use by DMOs**
*Randy Ewell, Financial Officer/Debt Capital Markets & CBP World Bank Treasury*

- Purpose of derivatives
- Over-the-Counter vs. Exchange-Traded derivatives
- Forward contracts vs. futures
- Focus on Swaps
  - Interest rate swap
  - Cross currency swap
- Examples of derivatives transactions by DMOs

2:45 p.m.  
COFFEE BREAK

3:00 p.m.  
**Hands-on Exercise on Developing an Issuance Plan (cont’d)**
*Olga Akcadag, Securities Market Specialist  
Indhu Raghavan, Securities Market Specialist  
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG*

This is a 3-day exercise. On this third day, groups will present their final results/implementation strategy. Followed by overall discussion.

5:25 p.m.  
5 minutes for course evaluation
DAY 4 - THURSDAY, JUNE 11

8:45 a.m.  Summary of Day 3

9:00 a.m.  Funding Mechanisms of External Debt and Insights on External Bond Issuance

Andrea Dore, Lead Financial Officer/Debt Capital Markets & CBP
World Bank Treasury

- Funding sources: IFIs, banks, international capital markets
- Marketable vs. non-marketable debt
- Assessing demand opportunities, constraints and risks
- Issuing mechanism: auction, direct placement, underwriting
- Choosing lead bank
- Book building
- Deciding the right volume
- Price vs. secondary market performance
- Promoting transparency in execution
- Targeting investors (marketing)

10:45 a.m.  COFFEE BREAK

11:00 a.m.  Operational Risk Issues in the Implementation of Debt Management Strategies

Andrea Dore, Lead Financial Officer/Debt Capital Markets & CBP
World Bank Treasury

- Sources of operational risk
- Managing operations risk in the bond execution process
- Fraud and key person risk

12:00 p.m.  LUNCH (participants’ own arrangements)

1:00 p.m.  Open Discussion: Implementing Debt Management Strategies

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2:00 p.m.  Case Study on the Implementation of a Debt Management Strategy

Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
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Presentation and free time to prepare proposals

3:30 p.m.  COFFEE BREAK

3:45 p.m.  Case Study on the Implementation of a Debt Management Strategy (cont’d)
            Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
            Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

Presentation and free time to prepare proposals
DAY 5 - FRIDAY, JUNE 12

8:45 a.m.  Summary of Day 3

9:00 a.m.  Discussion of Proposals for Implementing Debt Management Strategies
Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

Summary of the debt management strategy: implications for funding and liability management operations

• Brief description of execution capacity: staffing and infrastructure
• Issues on implementation
• Preliminary plan to improve the capacity for execution

10:15 a.m.  COFFEE BREAK

10:30 a.m.  Discussion of Proposals for Implementing Debt Management Strategies (cont’d)
Anderson Caputo Silva, Lead Securities Market Specialist
Finance and Markets Global Practice, WBG

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12:25 p.m.  5 minutes for course evaluation.

12:30 p.m.  Workshop Wrap-up & Awarding of Certificates