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# Learn how to effectively cost and budget structural reforms

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**Strengthening Line Ministries' Capacities  
to Assess the Fiscal Implications  
of Structural Reforms – the FISR Project**



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# FISR in Short



## DURATION

2019–2021

## OBJECTIVES



Strengthening the analytical and costing skills of public officials



Improving coordination inside and between governmental institutions



Enhancing regional cooperation between individuals as well as institutions



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## LEARNING AREAS



### COSTING

Analysis and calculation of the costs of structural reforms



### BUDGETING

Impact of structural reforms on the national budget



### ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS

Skills and knowledge of public officials to enhance inter-institutional coordination



### TRANSPARENCY

Transparency and accountability in policy design



### QUALITY OF DOCUMENTS

Design of planning documents for structural reforms and ERP

## LEARNING FORMATS

In-country trainings

Regional peer-to-peer trainings

Regional policy dialogues

Training-of-trainers

Line ministries portal

# Project Background

The **implementation of structural reforms** often faces challenges in:

- prioritization of effective reforms
- calculation of costs
- securing budget for implementation

The project will enable participants to understand how to address these challenges.

The **Economic Reform Programmes (ERP)** are aimed at supporting the acceleration of economic growth and competitiveness of the markets of the EU candidates and potential candidates **by implementing structural reforms to meet the economic criteria for EU accession.**



# Who Is It for?

The project is designed for **EU candidates** and **potential candidates** – the Western Balkans and Turkey. The target groups are **public officials** at top, middle and junior levels involved in the design, fiscal planning, implementation and coordination of **structural reforms** and **ERP**.

## ▶ Line ministries

Budget and finance officials  
Policy-makers  
Service delivery managers

## ▶ Ministries of finance

Heads of departments  
Budget experts and analysts  
HR and communication specialists

## ▶ Agencies and other institutions

Budget and finance officials

## ▶ National ERP coordinators

## ▶ Structural reform coordinators



# What's in It for You?

## THE PROJECT WILL STRENGTHEN

### ▶ Analytical and costing capacities

of **line ministries** to improve their ability for comprehensive assessment of **fiscal implications** of **structural reforms**.

### ▶ Inter-institutional coordination

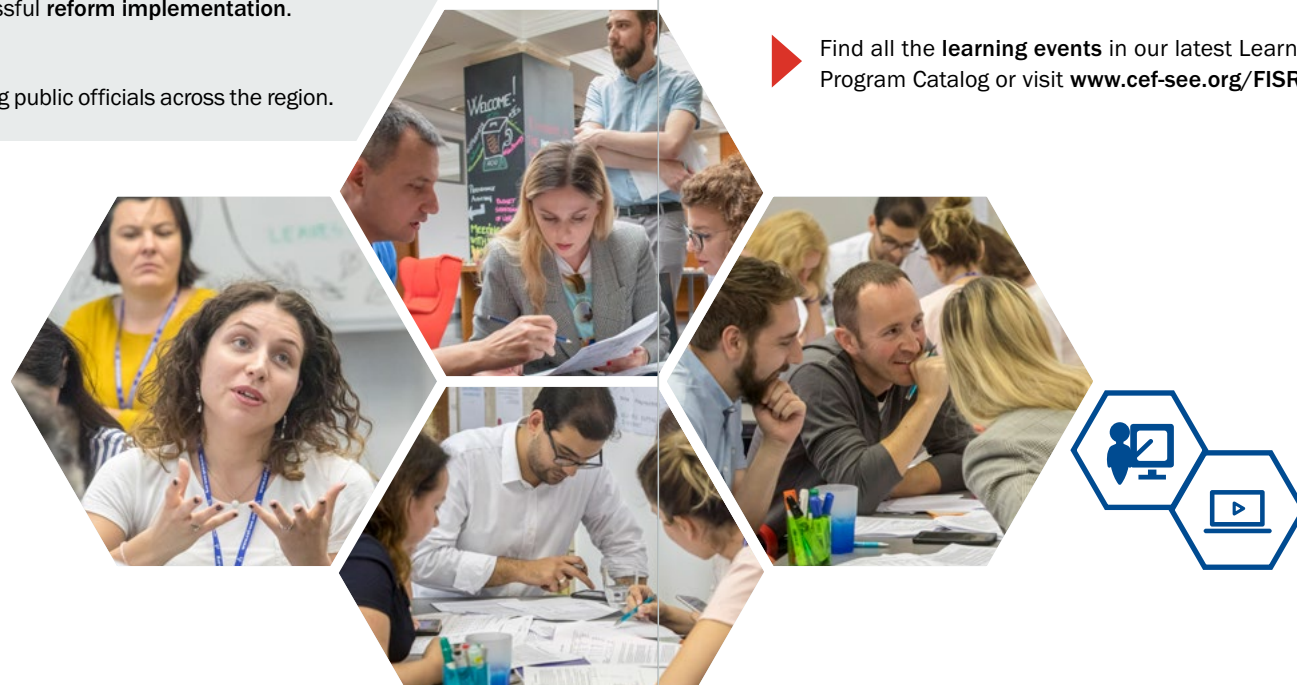
within respective line ministries, as well as between the line ministries and the ministry of finance for successful **reform implementation**.

### ▶ Cross-national cooperation

and exchange of **good practices** among public officials across the region.

## FURTHER OUTCOMES OF THE PROJECT

- Well-designed structural reforms planning documents
- Regional exchange of good practices
- Enhanced budgeting
- Reinforced practical skills
- Collaboration with Technical Assistance providers (IMF, OECD, TAIEX)
- Public officials trained as trainers to enhance knowledge sharing



# How Will You Learn?

The FISR project will be delivered through **tailor-made, participatory** and **experience based learning events**, both face-to-face and online. While part of the trainings will take place at the CEF in Ljubljana, the majority of them will be carried out in the region. We will merge the CEF's expertise with the knowledge of our partners, including the **European Commission, international organizations**, governments of selected bilateral **donors, academics**, international and regional **experts**.

- ▶ Find all the **learning events** in our latest Learning Program Catalog or visit [www.cef-see.org/FISR](http://www.cef-see.org/FISR)



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## LINE MINISTRIES PORTAL

You can easily join the Line Ministries Portal, an on-line **community of experts** from different government institutions and sectors to **exchange knowledge** and **good practices**. It is an **on-line learning space** that provides the latest information, learning resources and learning opportunities relevant to good governance.

- ▶ Join your peers now on [www.lineministries.org](http://www.lineministries.org)

# About the CEF

We are a leading **regional knowledge hub** located in Ljubljana, Slovenia. Since 2001, the CEF supports **capacity development for finance officials** in South East Europe through **learning**. We combine topical expertise with in-depth knowledge of countries in the region in the **thematic areas** of public financial management, tax policy and administration, central banking, and cross-cutting areas of data and analysis for designing policies and leadership for managing reforms.

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