

# Implementing Government Debt Management Strategies June 10-14, 2019 | Joint Vienna Institute

Day 1	Implementation Issues	June 10, 2019
8:30 a.m.	Registration and Administrative Briefing (JVI)	
9:00 a.m.	Opening Session on Implementation Issues in Participant Countries  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.	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines Antonio Velandia
9:15 a.m.	<ul> <li>Designing a Government Debt Management Strategy: A Summary</li> <li>Why is it important to have a debt management strategy?</li> <li>Review of the process for strategy design</li> <li>Cost and risk trade-offs</li> <li>Macroeconomic considerations</li> <li>Market development issues</li> <li>Trade-offs made in the formulation of a strategy</li> <li>Governance arrangements</li> </ul>	Antonio Velandia
10:00 a.m.	Implementing a Debt Management Strategy: Issues and Threats – Part 1  This session will cover the main topics and concepts involved in the implementation of a debt strategy. It is intended to cover "the broad picture" of tactical decisions and specific issues entailed in the implementation of a debt strategy. It will also provide useful concepts to be applied during the hands-on sessions later in the course.	Jose Antonio Gragnani
11:15 a.m.	Coffee Break	
11:30 a.m.	Implementing a Debt Management Strategy: Issues and Threats – Part 2	Jose Antonio Gragnani
12:30 p.m.	Lunch (participants' own arrangements)	
2:00 p.m.	<ul> <li>Implementing a Debt Management Strategy: Country Case – Poland</li> <li>Background</li> <li>Front Office structure</li> <li>Designing the funding plan</li> <li>Execution: auctions, buybacks, exchanges and swaps</li> <li>Operational risk</li> <li>Performance evaluation</li> <li>Conclusions</li> </ul>	Maciej Wysocki
3:00 p.m.	Using IBRD Financial Products to Implement a Debt Management Strategy	Luis de la Plaza (vía VC)



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Day 1	Implementation Issues (continued)	June 10, 2019
4:00 p.m.	Coffee Break	
4:00 p.m.	Hands-on Exercise on Developing an Issuance Plan  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, followed by group work  • Small group discussion followed by group presentation  Overall discussion	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
5:25 p.m.	Daily Course Evaluation	
7:00 p.m.	Welcome Dinner	



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Day 2	Issuance (Choices, Plan and Implementation)	June 11, 2019
8:45 a.m.	Summary of Day 1	
9:00 a.m.	Instrument Choice in the Implementation of the Debt Management Strategy  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	Zsolt Bango
10:00 a.m.	Issuance Mechanisms for Government Securities	Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
	<ul> <li>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</li> <li>Auction theory in brief and practice (What does empirical evidence tells us?)</li> </ul>	
11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break	
11:15 a.m.	Why DMOs buy-back their paper     Preparing a buy-back operation     Design and execution of debt exchanges	Zsolt Bango
12:30 p.m.	Group Photo	
12:45 p.m.	Lunch (participants' own arrangements)	
1:45 p.m.	Primary Dealers for Government Securities  • Primary Dealers Systems	Jose Antonio Gragnani
3:15 p.m.	Coffee Break	
3:30 p.m.	Hands-on Exercise: Developing an Issuance Plan  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.	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
6:00 p.m.	Daily Course Evaluation	



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Day 3	Hot Topics (Investors/Operational Risk/Derivatives)	June 12, 2019
8:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m.		Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break	
10:30 a.m.	<ul> <li>Sources of operational risk</li> <li>Managing operations risk in the bond execution process</li> <li>Fraud and key person risk</li> </ul>	Antonio Velandia Antonio Velandia
12:45 p.m.	Lunch (participants' own arrangements)	
1:45 p.m.	Hands-on Exercise: Developing an Issuance Plan This is a 3-day exercise. On this third day, groups will present their final results/ implementation strategy. Followed by overall discussion.	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
3:00 p.m.	Coffee Break	
3:15 p.m.	Hands-on Exercise: Developing an Issuance Plan (cont')  This is a 3-day exercise. On this third day, groups will present their final results/ implementation strategy. Followed by overall discussion.	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
5:25 p.m.	Daily Course Evaluation	



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Day 4	Open Discussion and Case Study	June 13, 2019
8:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	Funding Mechanisms of External Debt and Insights on External Bond  • 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)	Antonio Velandia
10:45 a.m.	Coffee Break	
11:00 a.m.	Open Discussion: Implementing Debt Management Strategies  This facilitated discussion will review participating countries' experiences with topics covered thus far.	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
12:30 p.m.	Lunch (participants' own arrangements)	
1:30 p.m.	Case Study on the Implementation of a Debt Management Strategy Presentation and time to prepare proposals	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
3:30 p.m.	Coffee Break	
3:45 p.m.	Case Study on the Implementation of a Debt Management Strategy (cont'd)  Presentation and time to prepare proposals	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines
5:30 p.m.	Daily Course Evaluation	



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Day 5	Proposal Presentation and Wrap-Up	June 14, 2019
8:45 a.m.	Summary of Day 3	
9:00 a.m.		Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines Antonio Velandia
10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break	
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10:30 a.m.	Discussion of Proposals for Implementing Debt Management Strategies (cont'd)	Jose Antonio Gragnani Zsolt Bango Cindy Elizabeth Paladines Antonio Velandia
12:25 p.m.	Final Course Evaluation	
12:30 p.m.	Workshop Wrap-up & Awarding of Certificates	