

Political Economy Analysis in Action Training Course 6 September - 17 December 2021



Practice An online training course for staff working in International Development

The Policy Practice and ODI are delighted to announce the opportunity to undertake our Political Economy Analysis in Action training course. The training is based on the flagship face-to-face course we have provided over 40 times since 2008 for multilateral and bilateral organisations, international think-tanks and NGOs.

The course is delivered by Alex Duncan (Policy Practice), David Booth (ODI), Laure-Hélène Piron (Policy Practice) Gareth Williams (Policy Practice), and Neil McCulloch (Policy Practice). It is facilitated by Samantha Wade (Policy Practice).

What is the course and who is it for?

Political economy analysis (PEA) is about understanding the contexts – global, national, sectoral and local – in which development and foreign policy happen and the incentives that determine how the relevant actors behave and interact with each other.

The course is designed to equip participants to identify the challenges arising from political economy features of the contexts in which they work, and to draw well-grounded conclusions for policy, strategy, or programme design and implementation.

By the end of the course, participants will understand:

- What political economy analysis (PEA) is, and the different operational contexts in which it has a role
- How it can be used to improve foreign and development policies and engagements
- What tools and frameworks are available for PEA and how they can be applied

Participant requirements:

The online training comprises 10 interactive sessions spread over 15 weeks, with reading breaks. We estimate that 40+ hours are needed to complete the course, or about 4 hours per week.

You are given access to an online teaching platform. This provides you with a combination of study guides, video lectures, an online library, webinars and several stimulating case studies. You will be working in a small Study Group, either with colleagues from your own organisation or a mixed Study Group with participants from across the globe.

You will be expected to work through session materials each week (one session per week), do essential reading, meet weekly in your online Study Group and complete a group task. There are also five webinars during the course.

When: 6 September – 17 December 2021

The course will start with a live launch on Thursday 16 September 2021.

Cost: Early bird offer of £600 (plus VAT if applicable) if you apply before 30 May 2021. If applying after 30 May, the cost is £650 (+ VAT if applicable).

We can offer groups of 5+ from the same organisation a discounted price of £600 (+ VAT if applicable) per person.

To apply - please fill in the online form

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The deadline for applications is 31st July 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact us on training@thepolicypractice.com

Testimonials from former participants on the online training course:

"Fantastic course which prompted many discussions within my current team based on their country office experience and with colleagues. Very high quality tutors, materials and support."

"The discussion groups are a key feature – without them I think the volume of material would have been quite overwhelming. I also really appreciated the annotated bibliography, one of the key benefits of the course."

"Thanks for a well-organised course!"

"This is one of the best courses I have taken in my current role. It was relevant and well delivered."