The Role of Civil Society in Fiscal Monitoring Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Public Financial Management & Budgeting	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the strategic role of civil society in fiscal monitoring and governance.
2. Apply social accountability tools for enhanced fiscal oversight.
3. Strengthen budget advocacy and policy engagement strategies.
4. Enhance citizen participation in budget tracking processes.
5. Utilize open data platforms and fiscal transparency portals for monitoring.
6. Develop partnerships between CSOs, media, and government for effective monitoring.
7. Identify and mitigate corruption risks in public financial management.
8. Apply expenditure tracking tools and participatory audits.
9. Build capacity for evidence-based fiscal advocacy.
10. Promote equitable allocation of public resources for marginalized groups.
11. Monitor and evaluate impact of civil society interventions in fiscal policy.
12. Integrate digital technology, AI, and data analytics in fiscal monitoring.
13. Draw lessons from global best practices and case studies in fiscal justice.

Target Audiences

1. Civil Society Organization (CSO) leaders
2. Community-based organizations (CBOs)
3. Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
4. Advocacy and policy specialists
5. Governance and anti-corruption practitioners
6. Development partners and donor agencies
7. Journalists and media professionals
8. Government oversight institutions

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Fiscal Monitoring and Civil Society Role

- Defining fiscal monitoring and social accountability
- The link between **transparency, governance, and democracy**
- Understanding fiscal policies and budget cycles
- Importance of **CSO participation in budget processes**
- Global best practices in fiscal monitoring
- **Case Study:** The role of CSOs in participatory budgeting in Brazil

Module 2: Social Accountability Tools for Fiscal Oversight

- Citizen report cards and budget tracking
- Participatory expenditure tracking surveys
- Transparency scorecards and open data
- Monitoring procurement and public service delivery

- Advocacy through fiscal evidence
- **Case Study:** Social accountability tools in Uganda's health sector

Module 3: Budget Analysis and Advocacy

- Introduction to public financial management systems
- Budget formulation and resource allocation
- Evidence-based policy advocacy techniques
- Engaging decision-makers with fiscal data
- Budget advocacy campaigns for equity
- **Case Study:** Civil society budget advocacy in South Africa

Module 4: Open Data and Digital Tools in Fiscal Monitoring

- Leveraging **open government data portals**
- Using data visualization for advocacy
- Introduction to AI and data analytics in monitoring
- Digital platforms for citizen participation
- Cybersecurity considerations for fiscal data
- **Case Study:** Kenya's Open Budget Portal and its impact

Module 5: Anti-Corruption Strategies in Fiscal Governance

- Identifying corruption risks in budget cycles
- Role of CSOs in anti-corruption campaigns
- Strengthening transparency laws and policies
- Whistleblower protection and advocacy
- Collaborating with oversight bodies
- **Case Study:** Anti-corruption watchdogs in the Philippines

Module 6: Expenditure Tracking and Participatory Audits

- Expenditure tracking methodologies
- Participatory public expenditure reviews
- Monitoring public service delivery expenditures
- Tools for financial accountability
- Citizen-led audits and budget monitoring
- **Case Study:** India's Right to Information Act and social audits

Module 7: Building Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships

- Importance of government-CSO collaboration
- Engaging media for fiscal accountability
- Building coalitions and networks for advocacy
- Donor engagement and accountability frameworks
- Community mobilization strategies
- **Case Study:** Multi-stakeholder budget advocacy in Tanzania

Module 8: Monitoring and Evaluating Civil Society Fiscal Interventions

- Designing monitoring and evaluation frameworks
- Measuring impact of CSO fiscal interventions
- Learning and adaptation from evaluations
- Data collection and reporting tools
- Strengthening sustainability of interventions
- **Case Study:** Evaluation of civil society fiscal monitoring in Ghana

Training Methodology

- Interactive lectures with expert facilitators
- Hands-on group exercises and role plays
- Analysis of real-world case studies and best practices
- Practical application of digital fiscal monitoring tools
- Peer-to-peer learning and collaborative projects

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Online	$1,000
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$1,500
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$3,000
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$6,000
26 Oct 2026	30 Oct 2026	Physical	$4,500

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