



Tracking Progress and Impacts via Participatory Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (PMEL)

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This course is grounded on IIRR's decades-long experience doing participatory monitoring, evaluation and learning in Asia and Africa. This course is suitable for planning, monitoring and evaluation officers, program/project officers, project managers, community organizers, research and extension officers, community facilitators, and advocacy workers.

Course description

This course examines participatory monitoring, evaluation and learning (PMEL) as a support to program/project management and sustainability. PMEL is a strategy that strengthens participation, enhances local capacity, and increases local people's confidence and control over development decisions and processes.

Drawing from a range of significant experiences, this course also highlights key elements that enrich the PMEL process and system. Participants will be equipped with tested methods, tools, and techniques.

Objectives

By the end of this course, you shall have:

- articulated the rationale and importance of PMEL within the context of paradigm shifts in development work;
- acquired knowledge and skills in engaging communities and co-designing monitoring and evaluation framework with them;
- reflected on the application of PMEL within the context of your own organization, program, or project; and
- identified ways to improve current PMEL practices.



Methodology

This course will use participatory methods to stimulate learning and facilitate discussions and sharing processes. You will do case analysis, small group exercises, and field work. You will have 2 virtual sessions and a 5-day hands-on training at IIRR and with its communities in the Philippines.

Module 1. Overview of PMEL and Organizational Learning

This module presents concepts and principles of PMEL and the theoretical underpinnings of participatory approaches. It includes discussion of elements that support the establishment and maintenance of PMEL in the context of development organizations.

Module 2. Participatory Approaches, Tools and Methods

Program sustainability is linked to participation and ownership of stakeholders. This module focuses on different participatory approaches, methods, and tools that can be employed to effectively engage communities to be active actors and learners during the project period and beyond.

Module 3. Designing and Facilitating PM&E

This module will look into strategies in designing measurement frameworks with communities. Local actors must have a good understanding of the value of the PMEL process and the requirements in implementing it. Your facilitative role in the entire process and the necessary attitudes and skills to make PMEL possible are emphasized.

Module 4. Action Planning

You will analyze your own organization/program/project situation and needs and apply key lessons learned from the course. You are expected to implement this when you return to your respective organizations/programs/projects.

\$ Fees

The course fee is USD1,800 and it covers the course materials, meals, single occupancy accommodation, field visits, and airport transfers. Fees do not include international airfare, laundry, and incidental expenses.

📅 Date

21-27 November 2022

Participants are expected to arrive one day before the start of the 5 remaining course days.

📄 Apply now

Send your requests for application to:
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Limited slots are available so apply now!

📍 Location

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😊 What they say...

Oftentimes I leave trainings disappointed by how little I learned, but here I really appreciated the commitment to make learning interactive, practical and fun. I am inspired by IIRR's approach and appreciate the committed, talented staff. I am leaving with practical knowledge that I can use on the job and resources I can draw on if I need additional information or support.

- Kristen Stelljes, Packard Foundation

I have enjoyed the very good experiences from this training course. During the sessions, presentations from different countries were very helpful. We also had good experiences with the community people, especially the fishermen.

- Bilkis Jahan, Caritas Bangladesh