UNECE PPP Initiative

Aim:

Assist countries to start with feasible and bankable PPP’s through:

- UNECE International PPP Centre of Excellence
- PPP Specialist and Training Centres
- Using the UNECE PPP Toolkit
- Working together with our PPP partners like WB, ADB, ERDB, EPEC
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International PPP Centre of Excellence:

- At its second session in December 2009, the Team agreed on the need for an international PPP centre and supported the initiative to set up the International PPP Centre of Excellence under the auspices of the UNECE.

- At its last session in December 2010, CECI expressed support for its establishment, and noted that the Centre had the potential to become an effective vehicle for the exchange of good practices and policy experiences.

- The Bureau of TOS PPP agreed on the governance and organisational architecture that includes Specialist Centres responsible for specific sectors.

- TOS PPP, at its third session in April 2011, recommended the establishment of the UNECE International PPP Centre of Excellence in Geneva, and invited the appropriate UNECE management bodies to consider further steps to operationalize it.

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Overview:

The UNECE PPP Initiative is an official United Nations programme that is being led by the UNECE on behalf of all five United Nations Regional Economic Commissions.

The UNECE PPP Centre of Excellence
- will assist governments in implementing best-practice PPP policy
- to provide better and sustainable service and for less money
- combining a sound business case with project finance and a right transfer of risks
- aims to improve the service of the government bodies
- which will result in a better quality of life for citizens, for now and in the future

The UNECE PPP Initiative will rely upon the support of public-sector organisations hosting specialist and training centres to finance its operations.
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Structure:

Let us do everything:

- Training
- Standard setting,
- Project promotion,
- etc

Offer the Public Sector deliverables which are:

- Focused
- Clear
- Precise and
- According to the need

Let us do everything:
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Involvement of the private sector:

**No PRIVATE sector**
- Keep them out
- No capacity building
- No role

**Public PRIVATE partnership**
- Use their expertise and knowledge
- Give them an equal role (partnership)
- They are part of the operation

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EXTRA BUDGETARY RESOURCES
The countries hosting components of the Centre:
- Will contribute intellectually through good practices
- Will contribute financially/capacity by a contribution
  - One fulltime employee or the equivalent in money

FINANCIAL GAINS
- Reduction in development costs
- Reduction in methodology capacity
- Reduction in training and education
- Reduction in knowledge capacity
  - About $1,000,000 per PPP center per PPP subject
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Aim of the Centre of Excellence:

The overall objective is to assist governments in implementing best practice PPP policy.

The Centre will assess PPP capability development in countries and...

...internationally promote and diffuse the best-practices through the UNECE PPP Toolkit.

Will become a global ‘public good’ in PPP capacity building and fill a major gap.

The PPP CoE will therefore implement PPP capability in countries by using best-practices to fill your major gap by using the UNECE Toolkit.

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Governance:

Structure: formal part of the UNECE secretariat in Geneva;

Funding: through extra budgetary resources and voluntary contributions...

its operation and success relies upon the financial and material support of governments, including host public-sector organisations;

Governance: under the political responsibility of the UNECE Team of Specialists on PPP, and its Bureau.
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### PPP International Centre of Excellence / PPP Specialist Centers:

**UNECE PPP Centre of Excellence (Geneva):**
- A part of UNECE SECRETARIAT located in Geneva, Switzerland.
- Interfaces between the UNECE PPP initiative and other UN Regional Commissions.
- Combine knowledge and experience from PPP Specialist Centres to the members.
- Ensure knowledge and best practices exchange between members.
- Help and assistance in executing PPP's.

**PPP Specialist Centers (all over the world):**
- Identify international best-practice in PPP delivery within their focus sector.
- Promote and coordinate research, training, and knowledge-sharing in PPP best-practice within their focus sector.
- Global membership from PPP agencies, contractors, advisors and research bodies operating within their focus sector.
- Responsible for leading the development of Best-Practice Guides within their focus sector.

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### The Training Centres:

- Regional training centres offering a wide range of PPP basic and intermediate individual training to...
- Public and private sector officials;
- In liaison with the International PPP Centre of Excellence and...
- The Specialist Centres;
- Using various PPP training material and tools, including UNECE guidebooks and manuals (e.g. ‘Train the Trainers’, Good Governance, and ‘How to do’ PPPs);
- In collaboration with reputable national, regional and international organisations that offer training in PPP.
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#### PPP Specialist and Training Centres to come:

**Current development of the UNECE PPP Initiative**

- **UNECE PPP Centre of Excellence (advanced stage):**
  - PPP Training Centre: Russian Federation
  - PPP Specialist Centre for Water Management: The Netherlands
  - PPP Specialist Centre for the Caribbean: Aruba
  - PPP Specialist Centre for Health: The Philippines

- **UNECE PPP Centre of Excellence (expression of interest):**
  - PPP Specialist Centre for Education: Germany
  - PPP Specialist Centre for Prisons: Romania
  - PPP Specialist Centre for Seaports: Greece
  - PPP Specialist Centre for Airports/Roads: Turkey

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#### Challenges for the future:

- Enough momentum to start
- Managing expectations, time to start and deliver
- Support from the countries, political, physical and financial
Thank you for your attention!

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