



Facilitating Evidence Based Policy Making in the Era of Globalization

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Synopsis

Across the world, public policy is becoming increasingly anchored on multifaceted information developed through multi-sourced data. With multiplying global interlinkages and interdependencies at the personal, business and country levels any action could potentially have local and global implications be it social, economic or environmental. In this context the imminent challenge facing stakeholders is to correctly map, measure, analyze and understand any phenomenon and decide on appropriate actions. Multilateral organizations like the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have been collaborating with governments and research institutions to develop, update and modernize data capture and measurement frameworks such as the System of National Accounts (SNA), the System of Environmental Economic Accounting (SEEA), extended Supply-and-Use Tables (SUTs), Social Accounting Matrices (SAMs) and Multi-Regional Input-Output Tables (MRIOTs). This seminar provides an exploration of the international initiatives in structured data development to facilitate research and policy making. Some analyses based on the data thus compiled will also be discussed.

About the Speaker



Joseph is a Statistician and Project Officer at the Asian Development Bank (ADB) where he leads statistical capacity building initiatives in the System of National Accounts, Economic Globalization, Value Added Taxation and Statistical Infrastructure domains. The projects he currently leads span more than 20 countries in the Asia and the Pacific Region. He was responsible for the development of the Asia focused multi region input output database ADB MRIO, and the statistical business register system suite ADB-SBR. Joseph started his career at Statistics Canada in 1999, and specialized in SNA and input-output economics. He earned a bachelor's and a master's degree in economics from

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