Fourth Conference of African Ministers Responsible for Civil Registration

Employing the state-of-the-art civil registration and vital statistics eLearning course modules to enhance capacity in Africa and the Awards Ceremony

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This session will provide an overview of the state-of-the-art 13-module civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS) eLearning course, followed by a discussion on how to employ the modules for CRVS capacity-building in Africa. Awards will be provided to the top countries with most learners who have completed the self-paced Core Modules 1–3 by 30 October 2017.

Self-paced format: instructions to register
You can register and enrol in the self-paced Core Modules 1-3 following the instructions below. This self-paced format is offered for busy professionals who are able to take the course at their own pace and finish at any time. Learners will receive a Basic Level Certificate after successfully completing the course.

If you are new to the Open Learning Campus
1.   Go to the Open Learning Campus website (https://olc.worldbank.org/).
2.   Click on "Register Now" on the top right of the page. You will be asked to fill in a simple registration form. After submitting the form, you will be asked to log in with your credentials and to complete   your   profile.   After   completing   your   profile,   go   to   the   course   page (https://olc.worldbank.org/content/civil-registration-and-vital-statistics-systems-self-paced).
3.   Click on "Enrol now" on the course description page.
4.   You will be directed to the course homepage. Then click on "Enrol" below the course homepage to enrol to the course and start learning the core modules.

If you have previously registered with the Open Learning Campus
1.   Go to the Open Learning Campus website (https://olc.worldbank.org/).
2.   Click on "Log In" on the top right of the page and login with your credentials.
3.   Go   to   the   course   page   (https://olc.worldbank.org/content/civil-registration-and-vital-statistics-systems-self-paced) and click on "Enrol now" on the course description page.
4.   You will be directed to the course homepage. Then click on "Enrol" below the course homepage to enrol on the course and start learning the core modules.

Please note: *Do not skip any steps during registration, as this will lead to course access issues. If you do face any issues in accessing the course, you can create a new account in Open Learning Campus or contact* olcsupport@worldbank.org.

Facilitated format
The facilitated course will cover Modules 1–13, virtually guided by international experts. Completion of Modules 1–3 (Basic Level of the Self-Paced format) is a pre-requisite to enrol on the facilitated course. The duration of the course is six weeks. Learners will receive an Advanced Level Certificate after successfully completing Modules 5 (birth registration and adoption) and 6 (death registration), plus three additional modules of the learner's choice (4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13).

The **first facilitated course** (which will be open for registration on 1 September 2017) **will be offered from 11 September 2017 to 20 October 2017.**

    (a)   Week 1: Exercises for Modules 1–3 will be covered and eDiscussion board will be open for these modules (from 11 to 17 September 2017);

    (b)   Weeks 2–3: Modules 4–7 (from 18 September to 1 October 2017);

    (c)   Weeks 4–6: Modules 8–13 (from 2 to 20 October 2017).

Background information

The CRVS Group (which comprises organizations that support CRVS systems at the global, regional and national level) and the World Bank Group Open Learning Campus in partnership with the Korea Ministry of Strategy and Finance, launched the first ever **21st century, state-of-the-art, comprehensive CRVS eLearning course** at a high-level event on 23 May 2017. The development of this course demonstrates the commitment of development partners and Governments to work closely together to achieve Sustainable Development Goal target 16.9: *By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration*.

The course is aimed at training policymakers, public and civil servants, university students, researchers, development practitioners and civil society organizations by providing practical tools and approaches in building and maintaining state-of-the-art **CRVS systems that are linked to identity management systems and tailored to local contexts,** which will eventually contribute to alleviating poverty and promoting shared prosperity. This interactive course was built on materials from the United Nations *Principles and Recommendations for a Vital Statistics System, rev. 3* and the *2015 Training Course on CRVS Systems* of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention International Statistics Program.

The eLearning course is presented in 13 modules. The first three modules are core modules that all learners must take. The remaining modules, which are optional, provide more in-depth knowledge on a range of topics.

Module 1. Importance of CRVS systems
Module 2. Overview of CRVS systems
Module 3. Institutional arrangements of CRVS systems
Module 4. Legal frameworks of CRVS systems
Module 5. Birth registration and adoption
Module 6. Death registration
Module 7. Marriage and divorce registration
Module 8. Analysis and use of vital statistics
Module 9. Presentation and dissemination of vital statistics
Module 10. CRVS digitization
Module 11. CRVS assessment and strategic planning
Module 12. Identity management systems
Module 13. Refugees, internally displaced persons, stateless persons and CRVS systems

The course is offered through the Open Learning Campus (https://olc.worldbank.org/), the World Bank Group's single destination for online development learning for its staff, clients and partners. The course is offered in two formats: self-paced format and facilitated.

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