



# Institute for Capacity Development (ICD)

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## Research Methodology and Analysis for Government Officers

### Course Objectives

On completion of the course participants should be able:

- Apply the research process and results to policy formulation
- Carry out applied policy research for social and economic policy
- Understand the issues and constraints involved in research
- Understand the relationship between theory, research and applications
- Acquire skills in developing measures and research instruments
- Use and apply statistical analysis packages in research

### Target Groups

- Policy Analysts
- Government Officers
- Economists
- Development Officers
- Heads of Projects

### Course outlines

- Management Principles
- The nature of Public Policy
- Understanding Policy and Policy Development
- Participatory Approaches to Policy Development and analysis
- Policy Formulation and the research input
- Research and Policy making
- The research Process in social and economic policy
- Identification of policy problems
- Research Proposals
- Policy Data Discussion
- Research tools and Methodology
- Research methodology
- Application of Statistical Packages (SPSS, PCGIVE, Eviews) in research
- Forecasting techniques for research decisions
- Research Output and Policy
- Implementation of Policy
- Constraints on Policy Analysis

- Policy formulation in the public sector
- Macro Economic and Social policy
- Research Documentation
- Ethical issues in research
- Carrying out research and challenges
- Report writing skills
- Communicating research findings
- Policy makers and researchers
- Impact of research on economic policy
- Policy implementation and the role of advocacy
- Bridging the Gap between policy Research and policy implementation
- Action Planning

Dates: 07<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Duration: 2 Weeks

Course Costs: US\$3150/delegate

Venue: Pretoria, RSA