

ENERGY-RELATED CLIMATE MITIGATION POLICIES

PROPOSED DATES: February 15 – 19, 2027

TARGET GROUP | Mid-level government officials from ministries of economy and finance, environment, energy, and other agencies involved in policies related to energy-related climate mitigation policy. Participants are expected to have a degree in economics/finance and/or work experience in a relevant ministry.

DESCRIPTION | The 4-day workshop, delivered by the IMF's Fiscal Affairs Department in cooperation with the Caucasus, Central Asia, and Mongolia Regional Capacity Development Center, will focus the design of energy-related policies, their fiscal and macroeconomic significance, distributional implications, and impact on climate change mitigation. The workshop will cover technical discussions on explicit and implicit subsidies, carbon pricing and non-pricing mitigation instruments, supporting policies, key international developments¹, and political economy considerations. The first part of the workshop will focus on theory and practice with a mix of lectures, country presentations, and roundtable discussions. The remainder will provide hands-on training on the Excel-based [Climate Policy Assessment Tool](#) (CPAT), applying theory to country-specific analysis. It will conclude with an interactive role-playing exercise that simulates a cabinet meeting in which participants use CPAT to analyze and debate a proposed carbon tax and support policies, highlighting key policy trade-offs and priorities across government.

Participants are expected to actively contribute to presentations on country practices and exercises. Peer learning will be an essential element of the workshop

OBJECTIVES | Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Understand the economic theory, practical considerations, and trade-offs involved in designing energy-subsidy removal, carbon pricing, and other climate mitigation policies.
- Identify methods to address distributional and industrial competitiveness concerns associated with these policies.
- Quantify the macroeconomic and environmental impact of climate mitigation and supporting policies on each participant's country using CPAT

LANGUAGE | The workshop will be delivered in English language, with simultaneous interpretation to Russian.

¹ Key international developments for the region include the EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism, methane-related requirements for fossil fuel exporters, and general progress towards achieving Paris Agreement outcomes