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# The School for Thinktankers team



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Warming up

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- Go to menti <https://www.menti.com/> Code 68 72 90 0
- Or use the QR code





# Overview of the programme

# Programme

- Found in the [Overview](#) of the course in the website





# Structure and delivery

## Website

- The course can be found in the website
- In each module you'll find the agenda, link to sessions, and we'll upload the recordings of the sessions and presentations as soon as they are ready
- Browse the profiles of trainers and participants, and connect with them.

## Live sessions

- Link in slack and in the website
- Please turn on your cameras (if adequate internet) and mute your mics (turn on to intervene)
- You can raise your hands to ask questions (try now!)
- And write comments or questions in the chat box

## Slack

- Main form of communication-NO EMAILS
- Both trainers and participants are in slack (as well as past participants)
- Dedicated main channel, but we(you) can create specific channels for more in depth conversations.
- You can also send direct messages

## Learning Journals

- Offer a chance for you to set and monitor your learning objectives for the week
- Help keep track of key lessons you want to learn -from speakers and peers
- Identify future learning objectives
- [Download from the website](#)

# Study group tasks

- As an additional activity, and to support both learning and engagement.
- Groups should prepare a 7 minute presentation for Friday 5 Feb.
- The groups are:

Group 1	
Task	Communications
Members	Alyaa AlMulla Marko Drajić

Group 3	
Task	Finance and fundraising
Members	Donald Houessou Diana Dalila Torres Obregon Thi Nhu Sha Vu

Group 5	
Task	Governance and management
Members	José Eduardo Rolón Sánchez Teresa Coratella

Group 7	
Task	Policy relevant research
Members	May Zin Thaw Sophie Pornschlegel MANIVANNAN RAMU Pamla Gopaul Othman Almoamar

Group 2	
Task	Finance and fundraising
Members	Donia Jemail ChamTha Kyaw Maria Ahmad Khaing Khaing Win Thein

Group 4	
Task	Governance and management
Members	Mohammad Affan Bojan Elek Merewalesi Nailatikau

Group 6	
Task	MEL
Members	Diego Bonomo

Group 8	
Task	Policy relevant research
Members	Caroline Mwongera Carlos Felipe Escobar Roa Rawan Hammoud Mma Ekeruche

## Daily recaps

- One volunteer each day to reflect on the process and report back to us at the end of the day.
- [Please sign up here](#) ( or we will select from the group)

## Participant's presentations

- We have set aside two live sessions for participants to get to know each other and the work each does.
- Prepare a short presentation (around 5-7 minutes) could be spoken or using any other format). You could share:
  - A description of your current organisation
  - Your trajectory
  - A paper you wrote
  - A project/programme/resource you are working on (or have worked)
- First session is tomorrow!





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# Getting to know each other

# Virtual fondue

- Get to know each other over cheese and wine (or soft drinks)
  - Starter: random group (6 minutes)
  - Main course: random group( 10 minutes)
  - Walk home: self-select (10 minutes)
- What you can share/ask each other:
  - Identify what you have in common
  - Where are you based
  - Where you studied
  - What is your current role and your professional background
  - What makes you laugh
  - What is the weirdest thing in your office/table at the moment
  - How has lockdown affected you etc.

**Be careful not to leave the session!**





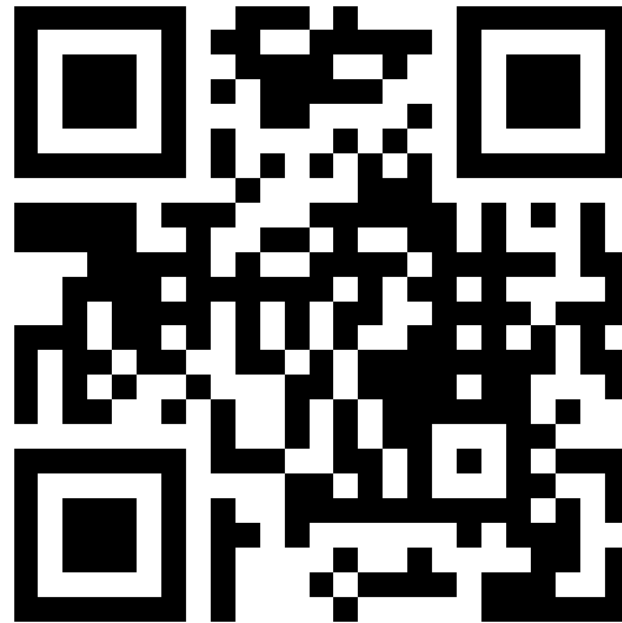
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# Expectations

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- In groups, discuss (20 minutes)
  - What would you like to learn during the School for Thinktankers? Identify key issues
  - Is there a specific issue/problem would you like to improve or resolve? (think about which sessions would be important for this, and/ or who can you talk to)
  - What is your objective for after the School for thinktankers? What concrete results do you want to achieve?
- Use this google sheets slide as a flip chart
- [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1zQmZ\\_RLcWBMXasFgOzGEKnfqZQJy9dYuORnv1Da\\_Nio/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1zQmZ_RLcWBMXasFgOzGEKnfqZQJy9dYuORnv1Da_Nio/edit?usp=sharing)
- One participant per group to present summary in plenary

## Reflections

- Intensive course but does not cover everything
- Trainers will share their experiences, please engage, react, contest and reflect how can the experiences work or be applied in your own contexts
- Will be introduced to several topics, and begin your learning journey
- Use slack to connect with and learn from peers



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# Wrapping up

## Tomorrow

- Recap by?
- Module 1. Think tanks and evidence-informed policy. Session 2 The Role of think tanks in Evidence informed Policy. Peter Taylor
- Participant's presentations





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