

Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF) Training Workshop Survey Report

2-4 September 2025, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic

Introduction

The INFF Training Workshop, organized by UNDESA/FSDO in collaboration with the Ministry of Finance and Economy (MHE) of the Dominican Republic, aimed to strengthen participants' understanding of the Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF) and its application to the financing strategy under development, to support the achievement of National Development Strategy (NDS) 2030 goals and inform national policy priorities. The workshop was part of capacity building efforts under the Financing for SIDS (FINS) project. This report summarizes the survey findings to assess knowledge gained, confidence in practical application, satisfaction with workshop logistics, and participant demographics. Notably, the results confirms that one of the key indicators — 75% of government officials that attend workshops indicate increased knowledge of INFF methodology – has been met.

Overview of Survey Results

The workshop brought together a total of 51 participants from Ministry of Finance and Economy (MHE), Ministry of the Presidency, General Directorate of Internal Taxes (DGII), and General Directorate of Public-Private Partnerships (DGAPP). A total of 45 attendees completed the survey, providing a representative sample of the workshop's impact.

Demographic Analysis

- **Total Participants (51):**
 - **Ministry and Departments:** Ministry of Finance and Economy (36); Ministry of the Presidency (10); General Directorate of Internal Taxes (3); General Directorate of Public-Private Partnerships (2)
 - **Gender Distribution:** 36 female participants (71%), 15 male participants (29%)
- **Survey Respondents (45)**
 - **Gender Representation:** Respondents did not complete the question on gender.

Key Findings on Knowledge Gain and Confidence

1. Project Indicator Achievement:

Among government officials who responded to the survey, 100% reported an increase in their understanding of INFF methodology, exceeding the target of ensuring at least 75% of participants gain enhanced knowledge. Of these, 91.1% of government officials

reported that their understanding increased significantly, while the remaining 8.9% indicated that their understanding increased somewhat, further demonstrating the effectiveness of the workshop in deepening expertise on INFF.

2. **Clarity and Usefulness of Sessions:**

- **High Session Clarity Ratings:** Participants rated the clarity and usefulness of the workshop sessions highly, with 66.7% describing them as “Very Clear and Useful” and 33.3% as “Clear and Useful.” Participants particularly valued the interactive group activities and teamwork, which reinforced learning through practice. They also appreciated the clarity of the presentations and the balance between theory and practical exercises, which provided a clear framework for understanding INFF components.

3. **Confidence in Applying INFF Building Blocks:**

- **Confidence Across INFF Building Blocks:** Participants indicated varied confidence levels across the four INFF building blocks:
 - **Assessment and Diagnostics:** 57.7% of respondents expressed confidence in this area.
 - **Financing Strategy:** 40.0% of respondents reported confidence in this building block.
 - **Monitoring and Review:** 35.5% of respondents felt confident in applying this building block.
 - **Governance and Coordination:** 44.4% of respondents felt confident in this building block.

These findings suggest that while confidence is relatively strong in Assessment and Diagnostics, additional support is required on the other elements to ensure effective implementation of INFF principles.

4. **Application of Knowledge in Daily Work:**

- **Practical Confidence Among Respondents:** While all respondents reported an increase in understanding, their confidence in applying INFF concepts in their daily work varied. 20% of participants felt “Very Confident”, while 62.2% felt “Confident,” and 15.6% reported being “Somewhat Confident.” Several participants noted that while the workshop provided a strong theoretical foundation, including more practical country examples would enhance their ability to apply INFF principles effectively.

Satisfaction with Workshop Logistics

- **Positive Reception of Workshop Logistics:** Participants generally appreciated the organization and delivery of the workshop, with 95.6% expressing satisfaction – 77.8% very satisfied and 17.8% satisfied.

Open-ended Feedback

Participants identified several aspects of the workshop as particularly beneficial:

- **Interactive Exercises and Group Discussions:** Many highlighted the value of practical activities and opportunities to exchange experiences and ideas.
- **Content and Structure:** Respondents appreciated the building blocks, plenary sessions, and the clear balance of theory and practice.
- **Facilitation and Teaching Approach:** Participants noted the clarity of explanations, engaging teaching style, and useful tools introduced.
- **Linking Public and Private Financing:** Participants valued the insights on broadening financing sources to support the SDGs.

Survey respondents also provided constructive feedback on how the workshop could be enhanced in future iterations:

- **Workshop schedule:** Some participants recommended adding an extra day to allow more time for reflection and exercises.
- **Practical examples:** Some participants highlighted the need for more country case studies to strengthen the application of INFF concepts.

Conclusion

The survey results confirm that the INFF Training Workshop successfully met its objective of strengthening participants' understanding of INFF methodology. The workshop laid a strong foundation for continued INFF application and for the financing strategy currently under development, equipping government officials with the knowledge and skills to engage effectively in shaping its content, focus, and implementation. Continued engagement, including technical assistance and follow-up support, will be essential in ensuring sustained progress.

Annex: Detailed Survey Results

This annex provides a breakdown of responses for each survey question, including quantitative results and calculations.

Overall Increase in Understanding of INFF Methodology:

- **Total respondents reporting increased understanding:** 45 out of 45 = 100%
- **Respondents reporting a significant increase:** 41 out of 45 = 91.1%
- **Respondents reporting a moderate increase:** 4 out of 45 = 8.9%

Clarity and Usefulness of Sessions:

- **Very Clear and Useful:** 30 out of 45 respondents = 66.7%
- **Clear and Useful:** 15 out of 45 respondents = 33.3%
- **Somewhat Clear:** 0 out of 45 respondents = 0.0%

Confidence in Applying INFF Building Blocks:

- **Assessment and Diagnostics:** 26 out of 45 respondents = 57.7%
- **Financing Strategy:** 18 out of 45 respondents = 40.0%
- **Monitoring and Review:** 16 out of 45 respondents = 35.5%
- **Governance and Coordination:** 20 out of 45 respondents = 44.4%

Application of Knowledge in Daily Work:

- **Very Confident:** 9 out of 45 respondents = 20%
- **Confident:** 28 out of 45 respondents = 62.2%
- **Somewhat Confident:** 7 out of 45 respondents = 15.6%

Satisfaction with Workshop Logistics:

- **Very Satisfied:** 35 out of 45 respondents = 77.8%
- **Satisfied:** 8 out of 45 respondents = 17.8%
- **Neutral:** 1 out of 45 respondents = 2.2%
- **Dissatisfied:** 1 out of 45 respondents = 2.2%