LANGUAGE: Available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese
TIME COMMITMENT: 8 - 10 hours per week for five weeks
LOCATION: Virtual
2020 EDITIONS:
• March 10th
• June 16th
• September 29th

How to Apply: to register, go to www.iadb.org/esgcourses

Registration is US$50 if paid three weeks prior to the start of the course. After this date, registration costs $100.

Group discount available for groups over 4 people. To request it, please use the INDES HELP form in the registration page.
This course is offered in an instructor-led format. The online instructor-led courses are offered in a personalized mode with no more than 35 students in each class. Start and finish dates are clearly marked. Besides the online tools used for interaction in the virtual environment, courses provide students with continuous support from a technical assistant, the tutor, and a program coordinator, who are experts in the course topics, and can offer effective feedback in all course activities and promote relevant discussion.

This course offers an overview of the principles and content that should be present for a consultation process to be considered “meaningful”. Since it is not feasible to discuss every possible circumstance in detail, the course reflects on principles and gives overall guidance, rather than a standard blueprint or “one size fits all” approach. Broadly, the course addresses three aspects of how consultation is approached in IDB policies and how good practice has evolved:

- Explicit mandatory and binding requirements related to consultation in IDB policies and guidelines
- Implicit requirements of the consultation process not stated explicitly in the policies, but that are necessary conditions and inputs to achieve the more explicit requirements; and
- International good practice related to consultation as developed in recent years, both by IDB and other development agencies, academia, civil society and others.

Who should take this course?

The Meaningful Stakeholder Engagement Course is primarily intended for licensing officials and the environmental and social specialists on project teams who review and approve Environmental and Social Impact Assessments. The course is intended to provide guidance to public sector authorities and staff responsible for consultation and stakeholder engagement in potentially high-risk investment projects.

This course will have one optional synchronous session through videoconference during module 2.