



Call for Application for DDR Foundation Course

The Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC), Ghana will run a two weeks Course in disarmament, demobilization and reintegration.

KAIPTC INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE DISARMAMENT, DEMOBILISATION AND REINTEGRATION COURSE

Course Rationale

As a consequence of the pervasiveness of armed conflicts worldwide, the necessity of continuously devising and adapting our tools, means and strategies to ameliorate the effects of armed conflicts and facilitate transitions from war to peace is self-evident. One of those means is the all-encompassing, complex but critical set of processes termed DDR (disarmament, demobilization and reintegration). DDR programmes have in the last two decades warranted significant attention, a function of the rise in numbers of DDR operations worldwide as well as an expanded and more sustained involvement of the international community – and in particular the United Nations (UN) - in these types of activities. The publication in 2006 and recent update to the 'Integrated Disarmament and Reintegration Standards' (IDDRS) by UNDPKO is evidence of these efforts.

Overall Course Aim

The Course, through building individual skills, aims at enhancing the capacity and effectiveness of UN, Regional, Sub-regional, National and other institutions to perform peace operations by providing participants with a comprehensive, conceptual and operational level understanding of the principles, procedures and up to date practices involved in the planning, coordination and conduct of DDR programmes, properly reflecting new developments involved in the field of DDR”.

Course Learning Objective

- a)** Understand the concepts, policies and strategies of DDR;
- b)** Identify the components, activities and other issues related to DDR;
- c)** Identify the different actors and institutions involved in DDR;
- d)** Suggest the different ways by which DDR programmes are planned and implemented;
- e)** Acquire practical skills necessary when working on DDR;
- f)** Suggest solutions on how DDR can be adapted to new environments and contexts.

Target Group

- a)** Individuals involved directly or indirectly with DDR programmes;
- b)** Individuals intending to seek deployment in DDR;
- c)** Military, Police and Civilian mission staff;
- d)** Researchers in the area of DDR and broader peace building;
- e)** Other groups supported by client organizations;
 - UNDPKO, UNDP and other UN agencies and their field offices;
 - National DDR Commissions and MDA's;
 - ECOWAS/AU;
 - Multilateral agencies; World Bank, EU;
 - INGO's, NGO's and Academic Institutions;

Eligibility Criteria

In addition to the KAIPTC corporate eligibility criteria, priority would be given to;

- a)** Operational/mid-level personnel;
- b)** Participants who have at least 6 months experience working on DDR programmes or other related areas;
- c)** Participants from countries about to embark on DDR;
- d)** Gender balance.

Modules

- a)** Introduction to DDR, Legal and Policy Frameworks;
- b)** Planning for DDR;
- c)** Structures and Operations
- d)** Support to DDR;
- e)** Reintegration;
- f)** Cutting Issues



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Pedagogical Approach

These approaches are methods to be used in facilitating the Course:

- a)** Presentations;
- b)** Simulations;
- c)** Panel discussions;
- d)** Group work;
- e)** Case Studies;
- f)** Exercises;
- g)** Table discussions and
- h)** Role Plays.

NB: Participants when accepted would have to pay a commitment fee of 500USD which is nonrefundable and make their own travel arrangements.

How to Apply

Only fully completed applications that are submitted via the application portal will be taken into consideration.

Please click to apply here: <http://lms.kaiptc.org/moodle/course/view.php?id=5>

Duration: 2 Weeks

Date: 05th – 16th February, 2018

No. of Participants: 30

Course Code: KAIPTC/PSO/DDRF/2/18 Course Director:

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Closing Date for Applications: 4th January, 2018.