

Invitation to attend the DHIS 2 Academy West Africa 2013 Advanced Level, Lagos, November 5-14 2013

University of Oslo together with Health Information Systems Program (Nigeria) and the Federal Ministry of Health Nigeria, are pleased to announce the "DHIS 2 Academy West Africa 2013 - Advanced Level" to be held at Peninsula Hotel, Lekki Lagos, Nigeria, November 5-14 2013.

This year's West Africa Academy will be an advanced level training program targeting experienced DHIS 2 implementers and system administrators. To attend the advanced level you must either have attended the DHIS 2 Academy before or have an extensive technical understanding of the DHIS 2.

Due to the overall capacity of the event, we will have to limit the invitations to about 3-4 people per country, but the exact numbers will of course depend on the overall interest. We welcome DHIS 2 implementers from all organisational forms, whether government, NGOs, private sector, independent consultants or others. Participants must be based or work in countries in the West African region. There are other academies for countries outside this region.

Experienced DHIS 2 trainers will share the latest features and customisation approaches and help youto make your DHIS 2 implementation a success. Training topics will include; database manipulations and queries, data migration, advanced form design, advanced report design, GIS setup, DHIS Tracker, mobile clients, Web-API and integration, new web pivot tool, new sharing/access control system, the Analytics engine and more. A handsontraining programme will make sure the trainers and participants can also sit together and improve the participants' DHIS 2databases. This workshop will be a great opportunity for you to share and discuss your DHIS 2 implementation experiences with other implementers from the region and to gain new insight into important implementation topics. Members of the DHIS 2 development team will be present and we encourage all participants to come with detailed feedback to the developers on existing functionality as well as requests for future releases. Only with the help from the implementers and users, the DHIS 2 can move forward in the right direction.

The 9-days academy training fee is 800 USD, including 9 days of lunch and tea breaks from November 5 to 14. Please register here: http://www.dhis2.org/lagos2013-reg. The organisers will evaluate your qualifications and the country quotas and get back to you as soon as possible. After receiving confirmation from the organisers, please proceed with the training fee payment(Bank details in the annex). Remember to include name and organisation of the participant in the payment information. Only after receiving the payment is your registration considered complete.

This year the participants will have to organize their own accommodation. The venue offers a group discount of B&B for about 95 USD per night for reservations made before the 1st of October, and 115 USD thereafter.

A detailed training program will be published later. Stay updated by visiting http://dhis2.org/academy .

If you have questions regarding the safety and security at the DHIS 2 Academy, please read the annex "Note on safety and security" and feel free to contact the organisers with any questions.

Email: workshop@hispnigeria.org.ng

On behalf of the organising committee, Ola Hodne Titlestad, Dapo Adejumo.

Payment instructions:

After receiving a confirmation email from the organisers granting a slot at the academy, please transfer USD 800 per participant to:

Account:

Name: Health Information Systems Programme Ltd

A/c: 0241970033

Bank: First City Monument Bank, Nigeria

SWIFTCODE: FCMBNGLA

Please specify the name and organisation of the participant when processing the bank transfer. Please make sure to pay all bank transfer fees so that these are not chargedat the receiver's end.

Email receipt of bank transfer to workshop@hispnigeria.org.ng

Note on safety and security

The security of all participants to the Academy is of utmost importance to the organizers. While acknowledging the security challenges that have been faced by Nigeria in recent time (mostly in Northern Nigeria), we want to assure intending participants of their safety during their stay in Nigeria. The choice of venue in Lekki, Lagos State was made with attention to security and will provide a safe environment for the Academy.