

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS AND ADAPTATION STRATEGIES

7 TO 11 SEPTEMBER 2015

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SINGAPORE ENVIRONMENT INSTITUTE (SEI)

Singapore Cooperation Programme

Singapore has provided technical assistance to other developing countries since the 1960s. As a country whose only resource is its people, Singapore believes that human resource development is vital for economic and social progress. Singapore itself has benefited from training provided by other countries and international organisations.

In 1992, the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP) was established to bring together under one framework the various technical assistance programmes offered by Singapore. Through the SCP, the range and number of training programmes were increased to share Singapore's development experience with other developing countries. To date, Singapore has sponsored training courses and study visits for close to 100,000 officials from more than 170 countries. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Singapore Environment Institute (SEI)

The Singapore Environment Institute (SEI) is the training and knowledge division of the National Environment Agency (NEA). SEI aims to promote Singapore as an environmental hub by providing thought leadership in environmental sustainability and management for high-density, compact cities.

The Institute also aims to spark off the development of innovative environmental solutions, by connecting the public sector and private industries with renowned thought leaders, leading practitioners and experts via strategic knowledge activities that foster communities of best practices. Its work also includes developing and managing a variety of learning programmes as well as sharing Singapore's environmental expertise to enhance the competency of environmental professionals.

SEI's key training areas cover:

- Climate Change and Energy
- Pollution Management
- Solid Waste Management
- Environmental Public Health Management
- Urban Environmental Management
- Weather and Meteorological Services.

Course Objectives

The objective of this programme is to enable participants to gain an appreciation of Singapore's experience in sustainable development and climate change, with focus on the adaptation strategies and measures aimed at addressing the challenges and impacts of climate change. The course will also:

- Provide an overview of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) – the international framework on climate change
- Highlight the factors, processes and structures that promote adaptive capacity and demonstrate how climate change impact assessment and vulnerability assessment can be conducted; and
- Demonstrate how the local community of a country/island could be involved in climate change adaptation initiatives

Synopsis and Methodology

The topics to be covered include:

- Reflections on Singapore's Environmental Journey
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- Climate Change: Science and Regional Predictions
- Roles of Cities in Climate Change
- Climate Change Governance
- Climate Change: Vulnerabilities and Adaptation
- Climate Change and Energy Mitigation
- Energy Solutions for Climate Change
- Climate Change and Sustainable Development
- People Empowerment against Climate Change.

Classroom lectures, group discussions, case studies and field visits via the Programme for Environmental Experiential Learning (PEEL) which will take participants on an exclusive Climate-Energy-Water Trail.

Duration

The course will be held from **7 to 11 September 2015**.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid to senior level foreign government officials who are involved in the formulation and implementation of climate change adaptation strategies and initiatives.
- Nominated by their respective Governments.
- Proficient in spoken and written English.
- In good health.

The programme will be conducted in English without any translation / interpretation.

Terms of Award

This programme is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award and the Small Island Developing States Technical Cooperation Programme.

Under the Terms of Award for this programme, the Government of Singapore will bear the following expenses for the successful applicants (thereafter known as participants) during their training in Singapore. These expenses include:

- A daily training allowance of One Hundred and Twenty Singapore Dollars (S\$120) from first day to last day of the course to cover meals and daily expenses. [Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day to one day after the course.]
- Transportation to course venue and site visits.
- Medical insurance for participants to cover accident and hospitalisation during their stay in Singapore in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company.
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course.

Note:

- (i) The nominating government will be responsible for their participants' round-trip airfares.
- (ii) Participants are to bear their personal miscellaneous expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the allowance.
- (iii) Any expenses for out-patient medical/dental treatment will be borne by the participants themselves.

Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- (a) Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions.
- (b) Not bring any member of their family and/or aide for the duration of the course.
- (c) Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Government or the Government of Singapore with respect to the course.
- (d) Refrain from engaging in political activities, or any form of employment for profit or gain while in Singapore.
- (e) Discontinue the course, in the event they fall seriously ill and are considered unable to continue the training or have committed an improper act.
- (f) Return to their respective home countries upon completion of the course.

Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **20 July 2015**)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Points for Technical Assistance to nominate **one (1)** suitable applicant.

Selection of applicants will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective National Focal Points for Technical Assistance in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominations are to be submitted by the respective Government Institutions, using the official application form. The application forms are to be submitted and should reach the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** through the National Focal Point and the Singapore Embassy in the nominating country not later than **Monday, 20 July 2015**.

Please address the forms to:

**Director-General
Technical Cooperation Directorate
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore
Tanglin
Singapore 248163**


**Attn: Mr K Faizal
Tel: (65) 6379 8476
Fax: (65) 6479 3357**

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- To expedite the process, a copy of the completed application forms can be scanned and sent via e-mail/fax to the **email address/fax number stated above**. The original application forms can be mailed through diplomatic or normal channels.
- All application forms should be completed in full and **must** bear the endorsement of the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal Point responsible for technical assistance.
- Incomplete application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be accepted.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone, fax and email inquiries on the status of their applications.
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. Their National Focal Point will also be informed directly or through our diplomatic representations in the nominating country.
- Flight arrangements are only to be made upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.

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