

GREEN CLIMATE FINANCE

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**NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY-
CENTRE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION**

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.

Nanyang Technological University- Centre for Continuing Education Singapore

Young and research-intensive, Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is one of the fastest-rising universities in the world with globally acknowledged strengths in science and engineering. Hailing from more than 70 countries, the university's 3,800-strong teaching and research staff brings dynamic international perspectives and years of solid industry experience.

The Centre for Continuing Education (CCE) of NTU was set up in July 1991. It acts as a link between NTU and the community by providing continuing education for professionals who are keen to advance their knowledge and learn practical skills.

CCE has trained tens of thousands of leaders and professionals and continues to strengthen its position as a leading professional development training provider in Singapore and the region.

Course Objectives

Climate finance is critical to addressing climate change because large-scale investments are required to significantly reduce emissions, notably in sectors that emit large quantities of greenhouse gases. Climate finance is important for adaptation, for which significant financial resources will be similarly required to allow countries to adapt to the adverse effects and reduce the impacts of climate change.

This programme would cover climate financing strategies and cooperation across borders. It will enable participants to gain a comprehensive understanding of the fundamentals of green climate finance and options as well as sources of finance from the public and private sectors. It will help build the capacities of participants to access and manage climate finance and to monitor, report and verify on the financial flows.

Synopsis and Methodology

Topics to be covered include:

- Fundamentals of green climate finance
- Recent United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and Green Climate Fund (GCF) developments and interests in project-based CDM finance, programme-based and policy in the sector of the recipient country
- Global and regional climate financing sources
- Role and scale of public and private finance
- Challenges of National Implementing Entities (NIEs) and National Climate Finance Institutions (NCFIs) –risk management, fiduciary integrity challenges, direct access.
- Efficient and transparent spending: Monitoring, reporting and verification (MRV) of climate finance for measuring the impact from the implementation of the programme or policy supported by donor party.
- Country ownership, accreditation of NIEs by the Green Climate Fund
- Leveraging of private sector investments
- The role of public policy to catalyse green investments
- Key issues for the current and future use of innovative public-private climate finance instruments
- Case studies and group discussions
- Country report presentations

The 5-day programme would be delivered using a combination of the following methodologies:

- i) Formal lectures conducted by experienced industry experts, university academics as well as government officers who are familiar with UNFCCC developments and climate finance.
- ii) Group discussions, case studies and sharing of best practices
- iii) Site visits to relevant projects and plants

Participants will also be encouraged to discuss and share how they can apply the knowledge gained to their approach on climate finance. Each participant representing his/her country would be encouraged to present country papers on their proposed approach to green climate finance in their respective countries.

Duration

The course will be held from **28 September to 2 October 2015**.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid to senior level government officials involved in the economic planning or financial evaluation of green climate finance programs/ projects / funds, with at least 3 years of relevant working experience
- 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.
- 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: **10 August 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, 10 August 2015**.

Please address the forms to:

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Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore
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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.

Information on Singapore

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