

## URBAN AND WATER SUSTAINABILITY

#### 4 TO 8 APRIL 2016

Sponsored by the

# SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

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# SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME TRAINING AWARD/ SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME

to be conducted by the

# 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 over 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

Nanyang Technological University (NTU Singapore) is the fastest-rising university in the world's Top 50 and ranked 13<sup>th</sup> globally. NTU is also placed 1<sup>st</sup> amongst the world's best young universities. Hailing from 80 countries, the university's 4,300-strong faculty and research staff bring 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 leaders and professionals and continues to strengthen its position as a leading professional development training provider in Singapore and the region.

#### **Course Objectives**

This course will address Singapore's sustainable water supply and management at the strategic and policy levels.

The course will also be customised to share Singapore's whole-of-government response framework with the foreign participants.

It will share Singapore's inter-agency approach in formulating policies and initiatives to address sustainable development and water supply resource management, particularly via the Masterplan, the Sustainable Development Blueprint and Singapore Green Plan.

The course will also equip participants with the knowledge in the design, development and methods to finance public water infrastructure projects and share Singapore's experiences in procurement and financing water infrastructure projects.

## **Synopsis**

The 5-day programme would comprise the delivery of a systematic curriculum and relevant course materials that would be used for interactive discussions in the classroom.

To enhance the output of the program and to crystallize the knowledge gained by participants, there will be discussion with delegates on how they can incorporate the knowledge gained into their approaches in sustainable planning and water-efficient development. Each group of national delegates would be encouraged to present country paper on their approaches in sustainable, water-efficient development and planning in their respective countries.

Topics to be covered include:

- Singapore's water supply policies and regulatory frameworks and governance.
- Water as a strategic source in Singapore.
- Managing development of water supply resources and networks.
- Effective regulations and enabling legislation.
- Public private partnership in procurement of water supply
- Various case studies including the development and public private partnership of the NEWater plants and the desalination water plants in Singapore.

## Methodology

- · Lessons would be interactive and experiential
- Formal lectures will be conducted by experienced industry experts, university academics, as well
- Group discussions, case studies and sharing of best practices
- Site visits to relevant water-efficient projects, infrastructure systems and facilities.

#### Duration

The course will be held from 4 to 8 April 2016.

#### Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid to senior level officials involved in public water sector administration, planning, finance and budgets.
- Nominated by their respective Governments
- · Proficient in spoken and written English
- In good health

#### Terms of Award

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

Under this programme arrangement, 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; and
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course.

#### Note:

- (i) The recipient 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; and
- (f) Return to their respective home countries upon completion of the course.

#### **Application Procedure**

(Closing date for nomination: 29 February 2016)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Points for Technical Assistance to nominate one (1) suitable applicant. Selection of candidates 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 <u>Monday</u>, 29 February 2016.

Please address the forms to:

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

Attn:

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- To expedite the process, a copy of the completed application forms can be scanned and sent via email/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

For more information about Singapore, you may wish to visit the Singapore Tourism Board website at www.yoursingapore.com

