BUILDING SOCIAL COHESION IN A PLURAL SOCIETY
(Conducted Fully Online)

21 TO 25 SEPTEMBER 2020

Sponsored by the

SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

under the

SCP TRAINING AWARDS (E-LEARNING)

to be conducted by the

CIVIL SERVICE COLLEGE SINGAPORE

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, over 131,000 officials from more than 170 countries and territories have participated in our courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

Civil Service College Singapore

Civil Service College (CSC) is the central learning institution for the Singapore Public Service. It plays a pivotal role in nurturing and developing people for a first-class Public Service. As a Statutory Board under the Prime Minister's Office, we endeavour to be the heart of learning excellence and development for the Singapore Public Service.

CSC offers a comprehensive suite of programmes that build strategic capability in the public service, focusing particularly on core areas in the public governance, leadership, public administration and management. We work closely with central government and public sector agencies to embed values, communicate public sector directions, and manage change in individuals and organisations.

CSC partners public and private sector organisations as well as academia and international government agencies to exchange best practices and experiences in leadership, policy development, public administration and public reforms.

Course Objectives

Social cohesion is a cornerstone of Singapore's success as a nation. This programme shares Singapore's experience in building an inclusive and caring society, in the midst of changing demographics, societal needs and expectations.

Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Singapore's philosophy and approach to social security
- Building a cohesive society through housing policies
- Forging social stability and national identity through education policies
- Managing racial diversity & harmony
- Active citizenry and strong communities
- The stewardship role of government

Methodology

This course will be delivered for up to **30 participants** through a "blended" virtual classroom comprising a combination of *asynchronous e-Learning* (independent and self-study of online modules on a web-based *Learning Management System*) and *synchronous e-Learning* ("live" e-learning sessions). With sessions conducted online "live", participants will have the opportunity to dialogue with in-service officials and discuss the course materials with the trainers.

Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- Strictly observe course schedules and attend all training sessions, and;
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Authority or Government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

Duration

The course will be held over 5 days from **21 to 25 September 2020**.

The *"Live" e-learning sessions* will be conducted from **2pm** to **5.15pm (Singapore Time; UTC/GMT +8 hours)** each day. The actual timing for each module will be provided in the programme schedule which will be shared to successful applicants.

Prior to the course, there will be an onboarding training session to familiarise participants with CSC's online learning tools. This session is compulsory and will take place a week before the course.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid-to-senior-level government officials involved in social policymaking;
- Able to attend **all** the synchronous training sessions. They will require an internet-enabled laptop (strongly encouraged) or device with Zoom app installed, a functioning webcam, microphone and headphones.
- Nominated by their respective Governments; and
- Proficient in written and spoken English.

Terms of Award

The course fee is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award.

Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **1 September 2020)**

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point 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 Point for Technical Assistance in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at **https://go.gov.sg/building-social-cohesion** by **Tuesday, 1 September 2020**. NFPs are also required to use the SCP website (https://www.scp.gov.sg) to endorse nominees.

Note:

- All applications should be completed in full. Incomplete application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be considered. Please contact Camille_Ng@mfa.gov.sg and Chin_Hsien_Juen@mfa.gov.sg if you encounter technical issues during application.

- Participants who complete all eLearning modules and attend all "live" training sessions, will receive a certificate of completion from the SCP.

- Applicants should refrain from making telephone 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. The National Focal Point will also be informed directly or through Singapore's diplomatic representations in the nominating country.

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