

ABOUT MTCP

The Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) was officially launched on 7 September 1980 at the Commonwealth Heads of State Meeting in New Delhi, India, to signify Malaysia's commitment to the South-South Cooperation, in particular, the Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC).

The MTCP emphasizes on the development of human resources through the provision of training in various areas which are essential for a country's development such as agriculture, economy, finance, public management and administration, science & technology and ICT, health diplomacy, safety and security including cyber security, cultural diplomacy, social development, environment-related to SDG2030, education, industrial and technical training. Annually, Malaysia offered more than 60 technical and capacity-building programs under the MTCP, which have benefited more than 35,500 participants from 144 countries.

For more information, refer to the MTCP official facebook page: https://m.facebook.com/MTCPMalaysia

OBJECTIVES OF MTCP

- To share the development experience with other countries;
- To strengthen bilateral relations between Malaysia and other developing countries;
- To promote South-South Cooperation (SSC); and
- To promote technical cooperation among Developing Countries.

ABOUT MIMA

The Maritime Institute of Malaysia (MIMA) is a policy research institute established in 1993 by the government to study issues related to Malaysia's interests at sea and serve as a national focal point for maritime research. MIMA assists government agencies by providing expertise in national maritime policy planning and implementation through advisory and consultative services besides promoting the free exchange of ideas on maritime matters. MIMA's network is extensive and its collaboration with specialists worldwide contributes significantly to promoting maritime affairs. MIMA's policy research is conducted through its five centres.

For detailed information, please visit our website: http://www.mima.gov.my.

COURSE BACKGROUND

Marine protected areas (MPAs) are widely acknowledged worldwide as a critical management tool for ecosystem-based conservation and are established in many countries. As part of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), many nations have agreed to the Aichi Targets, which call for 10% of marine and coastal areas to be conserved through effective management of MPAs. On the other hand, many experts believe that more realistic targets are essential to preserving marine resources, and that many existing MPAs are not being managed effectively. Further, the call for more area, to be protected, i.e., the proposal for 30% of the global ocean to be gazetted by 2030 has also been suggested.

For MPAs to achieve their full potential as an effective tool for protecting marine and coastal ecosystems, managers and policymakers must have the necessary skills and expertise in planning, implementing, and managing MPAs and MPA networks. Local and indigenous population and other interested parties often lack adequate access to scientific knowledge, understanding, reliable information, and suitable management recommendations, which require effective collaboration between scientists (social and technical), as well as stakeholders with traditional knowledge on nature preservation.

It is widely acknowledged that MPA managers and policymakers require a comprehensive and in-depth understanding of suitable MPA management models, best practices and lessons (science-policy) to support and achieve MPAs targets through effective MPAs management.

COURSE CONTENT

The 5-day virtual course includes:

- Introduction to MPAs:
- · Identifying principles underlying management of MPAs;
- · Conflict resolution and facilitation;
- · Policy framework for the development of MPAs;
- · MPAs management strategy and planning

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To provide an understanding of the design and creation of MPAs and networks, governance, ecological monitoring as well as MPAs management through ecosystem-based conservation.
- To showcase the importance of MPAs to improve resource management and socio-economic wellbeing of the coastal communities while addressing related challenges.
- To illustrate best practices and case examples on effective MPAs management.

COURSE METHODOLOGY

This training will be conducted based on established modules in reference to effective MPAs management. The course will include a combination of lectures, tutorials, case studies, group discussions and presentations, and evaluation. The training course will be fully conducted in English. This training will be conducted online therefore, participants must have a good and stable internet connection.

ELIGIBILITY

- MPA managers and policymakers from related government agencies and other relevant stakeholders that require a comprehensive understanding of MPAs and MPA networks as an effective management tool for ecosystem-based conservation.
- Working directly on ocean policy, fisheries, marine pollution, biodiversity conservation, maritime transport and shipping, marine scientific research, and other related thematic areas.
- Age between 25-45 years old.
- · Have fluency and working proficiency in English.

APPLICATIONS GUIDELINES

- The course fees are fully sponsored by the Government of Malaysia.
- Applications should be made using the prescribed MTCP forms available at http://mtcpcoms.kln.gov.my/mtcpcoms/upload/MTCP 2022 ApplicationForm.pdf
- MTCP application forms can also be obtained from the nearest Malaysian Embassy/High Commission in recipient countries.
- All application forms must be duly completed and endorsed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal/Aid Coordinator Agency in the respective countries and submitted ONLY through the diplomatic channel via the Embassy/High Commission of Malaysia.
- Only successful applicants will receive the Official Invitation notification one (1) week from the course date, by the Training Institute via email.

RULES AND REGULATION

- Participants shall conduct themselves at all times in a manner compatible with their responsibilities as MTCP participants and abide by the laws, rules and regulations, as may be stipulated by the host government in respect of this training course.
- Participants should be appropriately dressed during the conduct of the programme.

INCOMPLETE OR UNENDORSED FORMS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

APPLICATION CLOSING DATE: 13 MAY 2022

COURSE COORDINATORS

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