

MANAGING COASTAL BIODIVERSITY UNDER URBANISATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE PRESSURES

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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 127,000 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.

Singapore Environment Institute

The Singapore Environment Institute (SEI) is the training and knowledge division of the National Environment Agency (NEA). It is responsible for delivering in-house technical training and building of environmental knowledge among staff to build a relevant, resourceful and resilient NEA workforce. SEI also supports capability building and Continuing Education and Training (CET) needs within the local environmental and services industry through its industry programmes with Institutes of higher learning. In addition, SEI actively participates in capacity building of identified countries via training and workshops catering to selected government officials.

Course Objectives

This course shares Singapore's approach to protect and manage coastal biodiversity despite urbanisation, and discusses how climate change affects the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Ecosystem services and benefits;
- Response to urbanisation and climate change impact;
- Enhancing biodiversity in urbanised coastal environment; and
- Management approaches relevant to urbanisation, climate change adaption and mitigation.

Methodology

The programme is designed with seminars and hands-on workshop and presentations to ensure maximum participation and diversity of engagement for the participants such that the key learning points are entrenched well. Relevant site visits will also be included.

Duration

The course will be held from **14 to 18 October 2019**.

Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid- to senior-level policymakers and government officials involved in coastal management;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

Terms of Award

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

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:

- Daily training allowance;
[Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day to one day after the course.]
- Transportation to course venue and site visits;
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course; and
- Basic hospitalisation and surgical insurance
[This does not cover any pre-existing conditions/illnesses and/or any outpatient medical/dental treatment. Participants are personally liable for all medical expenses beyond what is covered by the insurance policy.]

Note:

- (a) The nominating Government will be responsible for its participants' round-trip airfares;
- (b) Participants are advised to have money for miscellaneous expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving their training allowance; and
- (c) As the basic hospitalisation and surgical insurance coverage is limited, participants are also advised to purchase comprehensive travel insurance which includes medical evacuation in case they encounter any unexpected emergencies.

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 Authority 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: **2 September 2019**)

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://scpcatalog.wixsite.com/scp2019/managingcoastal biodiversity> by **Monday, 2 September 2019**. All application forms must also be endorsed by the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal Point for Technical Assistance.

Note:

- All applications should be completed in full. Incomplete application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be considered. Please contact Celia_Tang@mfa.gov.sg if you encounter technical issues during application;
- 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; and
- Flight arrangements are to be made only upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.

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