

2013 Asia-Pacific Leadership Programme on Environment for Sustainable Development

3-7 June, 2013 Shanghai, China

The Asia-Pacific Leadership Programme on Environment for Sustainable Development is being hosted by the UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development (IESD) to build capacity for emerging leaders from the Asia Pacific region on holistic sustainability thinking and evidence approaches towards effective action.

Objectives of the Leadership Programme:

- To improve all-round thinking and decision-making abilities of emerging leaders from the Asia-Pacific region, representing governmental organizations, NGOs and the private sector;
- To provide emerging leaders the opportunity understand and balance three key dimensions – human, environmental and social/economic – in promoting sustainable development;
- To set up a platform for emerging leaders in the Asia-Pacific region to communicate and network amongst each other while working to address complex practical sustainable development challenges.

Since 2004, over 250 participants from nearly 30 countries in the Asia Pacific region have participated and benefited from this annual Leadership Programme at Tongji University.



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In 2013, the 10th annual Leadership Programme will be convened around the theme of "*Health and Sustainable Development*". This will be held at Tongji University in Shanghai during 3-7 June 2013. Health is recognised as a key component of Sustainable Development in the first principle of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, which states that "*Human beings are at the centre of concerns for sustainable development*. *They are entitled to a healthy and productive life in harmony with nature*." The extent to which sustainable development can be achieved is closely linked to the level of health, as health is a product of economic, social, political and environmental factors.

Emerging leaders from the Asia-Pacific have a chance to participate in the Leadership Programme and get exposed to the latest thinking, tools, and methodologies on sustainable development, focused around three key dimensions – human, environmental and social/economic. This will carried out through lectures, brainstorming sessions and group work, field visits, as well as interactive exercises.

Application procedure:

- 1. Applicants should be below 35 years of age, with demonstrated leadership potential;
- 2. Applicants should be affiliated with government agencies, NGOs, and the private sector, from Southeast Asia, South Asia, and Northeast Asia, as well as from international organizations across the the Asia-Pacific Region;
- 3. Application Materials:
 - Résumé/Curriculum Vitae: This should include basic information on educational qualifications and work experience, including complete contact information and updated photograph, as requested in the form;
 - Motivation letter: Applicants should provide a write-up, <u>not exceeding one page at</u> <u>the maximum</u>, highlighting their motivation as well as well as relevant qualifications and leadership experiences;
 - Letter of Recommendation: One Letter of recommendation from either an academic or professional referee who can testify your strengths and experiences relevant to environmental and sustainable development.



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- **Finances:** Applicants from developing countries in need of financial support should provide a specific justification for full or partial support, covering air fare and accommodation costs. Participants from developed countries are required to pay a registration fee of US\$1,500 which covers tuition and reference materials, field trip, accommodation for 5 nights from 2-6 June, and all meals. Participants from International Organizations are required to pay a similar registration fee of US\$500.
- Contact: Please send all application materials to <u>iesdleadership@gmail.com</u> before 26 April, Friday. Normally, successful candidates will be notified within a week, ie. by 3 May 2013. via email and the list of selected participants will also be announced on this website. To avoid delays, we highly recommend that you submit all of your materials well in advance of the deadline.

Should you have any question, please contact us at iesdleadership@gmail.com