

Asia-Pacific Leadership Programme on Environment for Sustainable Development

3-7 June 2013, Shanghai, China

Health and
Sustainable Development



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Background:

The UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development (IESD) was jointly established by UNEP and Tongji University in May 2002. The objectives of IESD are:

- (1) To develop educational programmes to support research, technical and managerial skills and human capacity in developing countries;
- (2) To contribute to UNEP's global and regional environmental activities;
- (3) To disseminate information about best practices and technological developments.

The IESD Brainstorming Meeting was held in Beijing, from September 17-18, 2003 resulted in the establishment of the Asia-Pacific Regional University Consortium (RUC) to promote sustainable development education. RUC now forms an integral regional component of the Global Universities Partnership on Environment and Sustainability (GUPES). This Leadership Programme was designed as a collaborative effort of RUC, in the provision of capacity building for leaders from the Asia-Pacific.

Since 2004, over 250 emerging leaders representing nearly 30 countries in Asia and Pacific region have benefited from this annual Leadership Programme.

Objectives:

- To provide participants with an opportunity to broaden knowledge around 3 dimensions:
 - Human mind, body, soul;
 - · Environmental air, water, land, biodiversity
 - Sustainable development social, economic
- To establish a leadership network for sustainable development in the Asia-Pacific region



Programme:

The Programme is be offered by professors from Tongji University and RUC, UNEP officials, as well as well-known scholars and experts. It will target emerging Asia Pacific leaders representing governments, NGOs and the private sector. The Leadership Programme will last for five days, which includes a field trip, and interactive exercises, in addition to the lectures.

Participant Support:

Limited financial resources are available for candidates from developing countries, to cover return air fare and accommodation costs. A registration fee of US\$1,000 is suggested for participants from developed countries



Day 1: Introduction

An opening ceremony will be held at Tongji University, which will be attended by participants, resource personnel and special guests from the Asia-Pacific region. An interactive icebreaker will be organized to initiate the programme. There will also be keynote presentations on the overall sustainable development scenario as well as the latest technologies and creative ideas based on the theme of "Health and the Environment".

Day 2: Human and Environmental Dimensions

This session will focus on linkages between health and environment, health impact assessment on environment, ecosystem health, environmental ethics, etc. Participants will also join the opening ceremony of 2013 International Student Conference on Environment and Sustainability.

Day 3: Economic and Social Dimension

This session will focus on green economy, resource efficiency, sustainable consumption and healthy life patterns, health and poverty reduction, etc. Related social issues and non-traditional perspectives of Environmental Protection will be presented.

Day 4: Field Trip

A field trip will be arranged for participants to Chonming Island, close to Shanghai, which provides an interesting case study of innovation and sustainable development.

Day 5: Summary and Synthesis

An interactive pyramid exercise will be undertaken to synthesize the learning experience. Participants and organizers will present a summary to integrate relevant conclusions and suggestions. An evaluation will also be undertaken.

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Application Guidelines:

- (1) Please submit completed application and relevant documents before 26th April 2013 via email. Normally, successful candidates will be notified within a week, ie. by 3 May 2013.
- (2) Please provide a write-up, not exceeding one page, highlighting your motivation for the Leadership Programme as well as well as relevant qualifications and leadership experiences.
- (3) Updated resume highlighting education and experience, as well as complete contact information and photograph.
- (4) One Letter of recommendation from either an academic or professional referee who can testify your strengths and experiences relevant to environmental and sustainable development.

For more information, please visit http://www.aplp-uneptj.com

