



# Thailand's Annual International Training Course (AITC)

Course Information

# Sufficiency Economy Philosophy towards Sustainable Development 12 - 26 March 2019

Closing date for application: 31 January 2019

# TICA: Thailand International Cooperation Agency

is a national focal point for Thailand's international development cooperation. TICA was established in 2004 to realize Thailand's aspiration to be a contributor of development cooperation. Believing that global challenges are best addressed by international cooperation and global partnership, today we continue to strengthen our contribution to achieve global development agenda through various capacity-building and human resources development programmes. In response to the recent changes in the global landscape of development cooperation, especially through the concept of South-South and Triangular Cooperation, TICA continues to realign our focuses in order to deliver Thailand's commitment to be a relevant partner in global agendas including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

# AITC: Annual International Training Course

was initiated in 1991 as a framework in providing short-term training for developing partners. Today, the AITC remains one of TICA's flagship programmes. It offers not only a training experience, but also a platform in exchanging ideas and establishing professional network among participants from across the developing world. Aiming at sharing Thailand's best practices and experience to the world, the AITC training courses focus on development topics of our expertise currently categorized under five themes namely; "Sufficiency Economy Philosophy" or SEP. Food Security, Public Health, Climate Change, and Other topics related to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

# **Burapha University**

Burapha University was established in 1955 as Bangsaen Educational College and later in 1974 became Bangsean Campus under Srinakharinwirot University. The University became an independent institution in 2008. Today, Burapha University has campuses in Chonburi, Chantaburi and Srakaew Provinces, and offers undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in Social Sciences, Health Sciences and Sciences and Technology.

#### AITC Theme: SEP

This training course falls under the AITC theme -"Sufficiency Economy Philosophy" or SEP. SEP is an approach for sustainable development which espouses moderation, reasonableness and prudence development framework based on knowledge and virtue. The Philosophy stresses the importance of human development at all levels and also emphasizes the need to strengthen community's capacity to ensure a balanced way of life and resilience, with full respect for the environment. As an approach and mind-setting framework, we believe that SEP can be applied to all 17 SDGs. Therefore, over the recent years, Thailand has shared with international community the application of SEP, our home-grown approach to sustainable development.

# Course Objectives

This training course aims at sharing Thailand's experiences in the application of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) for sustainable development. At the end of this course, participants are expected to;

- Understand the concept of SEP as an approach for sustainable development.
- Understand how to apply SEP to different cases, such as, community development projects, private company's CSR projects, and community-based eco-tourism project.
- Be able to apply SEP to the case of their respective countries.

# Course Methodology

Training methodologies to be used during this training course include;

- lecture
- group discussion
- field visit

#### Assignment and Evaluation

- In-class participation.
- Discussion.
- Assignment Report on how to apply SEP to the case of participants' respective countries.
- Submission and presentation of "Country Report".
- Attendance Participants are required to attend all activities organized during the course. TICA reserves the rights to revoke its fellowship offered or take appropriate action in case a participant is in attendance of less than 90 percent of the training hours.

#### Course Outline

This training course offers knowledge and understanding on SEP as well as its application through different cases. The topics of training are such as;

- Introduction to Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP)
- SEP and Sustainable Development
- SEP in private sector
- SEP in public Sector
- SEP in community development
- Royal initiated SEP-led projects

#### Participant Criteria

Candidates must possess qualifications as specified in "Guideline for Thailand's Annual International Training Course Programme" No. 2 "Qualifications" as well as following qualifications

- currently working with at least five-year experience in relevant fields.
- University graduated in the fields of ariculture, economics, rural development, social science, environment, public policy or relevant fields.

# **Application**

- Candidates must be nominated/ endorsed by their respective governments of the eligible countries/territories as well as Bahrain, Israel, Republic of Korea, Qatar, Russia and United Arab Emirates by the closing date for application.
- Complete nomination documents must be submitted to TICA through the Royal Thai Embassy/ Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations/Royal Thai Consulate-General accredited to eligible countries/ territories.

(See "List of Eligible Countries" for more information)

# Number of Participants

20 persons

#### Selection and Confirmation

- Selection of participants will be given priority to applicants from CICA member countries.
- Particular attention shall be paid to the candidates' background, their current position, and practical use they expect to make of the knowledge and experience gained from training on the return to their positions.
- Selection of participants is also based on geographical distribution and gender balance.
- Successful applicants will be informed approximately 4 weeks before the beginning of training course.
- Successful applicants must return duly completed and signed acceptance form by the deadline to confirm their participation in the programme.

#### Terms of Awards

For AITC Eligible Countries - AITC Training Fellowship\* include training fee, return economy-class, airfare, accommodation, allowance, insurance, airport transfer and social programme.

\* Subject to rates and conditions established by TICA

# Training Institution and Venue

#### **Training Institution**

Burapha University,

Muang District,

Chonburi

<u>Venue</u>

Bangkok, Chonburi, Rayong and Trat

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For more information on qualifications, application forms, and application procedures, please visit our website at http://www.tica.thaigov.net/main/en/information/73803-Annual-International-Training-Course.html

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