



# Thailand's Annual International Training Course (AITC)

Course Information

# Sufficiency Economy Philosophy in Education for Sustainability

# 3 - 16 November 2020

Closing date for application: 17 August 2020

# 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).

# National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA)

The National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) was established in 1966, following His Majesty the late King Bhumibol Adulyadej's vision of advancing Thailand's development through the establisment of an advanced educational institute to prepare people to become agents of change for national development. Today, NIDA is Thailand's leading educational institution concentrating exclusively on graduate studies in fields related to national development.

# AITC Theme: SEP

This training course falls under the ATC theme – "Sufficiency Economy Philosophy" or SEP. SEP is an approach for sustainable development which espouses moderation, reasonableness and prudence as 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

- Share knowledge and understanding of Thailand's Sufficiency Economy Philosophy in Education in achieving Sustainable Development Goal
- Share knowledge and experiences relate to education management for sustainable development
- Enable delegates from partnership countries to devise SEP framework in education development plan to suit local conditions in their countries
- Promote international networking and support among delegates to advance international Course Methodology partnership of Education for Sustainability

#### Course Outline

This training course focuses on application of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy (SEP) to sustainable community development, including lectures and field visits. Topics of the training are such as;

- Understanding SDGs and SEP
- The 2030 UN Agenda on Sustainable Development in Perspective
- SEP for SDGs in Thailand Development
- HMK royally initiated projects and working principle
- SEP-based Education for Sustainability

Training methodologies to be used during this training course include:

- Lecture
- Group discussion
- Study Visit

# Assignment and Evaluation

- In-class participation.
- Advance Assignment All participants are requests to prepare a 10 minutes country report on country background and some details focus on geography, social and economy background
- <u>Group Assignment</u> The topic of the project is Education Project Proposal on Sustainability Model based on Application of the SEP to achieve SDGs in Respective Countries
- 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.

# 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;-

- achieved a degree in relation to tourism management, environment, natural resources, social or other relevant disciplinary areas
- have 5 years of related work experience

# **Application**

- Candidates must be nominated/ endorsed by their respective governments of the eligible countries/territories 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 participants

# Training Institution and Venue

National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA), Bangkapi, Bangkok, Thailand

#### Selection and Confirmation

- 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.

### For Terms of Awards

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

For Non - AITC - Eligible (OIC member countries) - AITC Training Fellowship\* include training fee, accommodation, allowance, insurance, airport transfer and social programme.

\* Subject to rates and conditions established by TICA

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