

## **EMPOWERING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

**15 TO 19 JULY 2024**

Sponsored by the

### **SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME**

under the

### **SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME TRAINING AWARD**

to be conducted by

### **CIVIL SERVICE COLLEGE**

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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, close to 150,000 officials from more than 180 countries, territories, and intergovernmental organisations have participated in our courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

#### **Civil Service College**

Civil Service College (CSC) is the central learning institution for the Singapore Public Service. It plays a pivotal role in nurturing and developing people for a first-class Public Service. As a Statutory Board under the Prime Minister's Office, we endeavour to be the heart of learning excellence and development for the Singapore Public Service.

CSC offers a comprehensive suite of programmes that build strategic capability in the public service, focusing particularly on core areas in public governance, leadership, public administration and management. We work closely with central government and public sector agencies to embed values, communicate public sector directions, and manage change in individuals and organisations.

CSC partners public and private sector organisations as well as academia and international government agencies to exchange best practices and experiences in leadership, policy development, public administration and public reforms.

## Course Objectives

This course will explore Singapore's Whole-of-Government approach to empower persons with disabilities and special needs to achieve their full potential and contribute as integral members of society, so as to build an inclusive and caring society.

## Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Singapore's social policy landscape and the key trends and challenges
- Policies and initiatives to support persons with disabilities and special needs
- Promote social inclusion in sports and education
- Increase employability for persons with disabilities and special needs

## Methodology

The course will be conducted **in-person in Singapore**. The delivery of instruction includes lectures, group discussions, case studies and Q&A sessions.

Participants should bring along their own internet-enabled learning devices such as laptops or tablets (mobile phones are not recommended) for this course.

## Course Duration and Venue

The course will be held over five days from **15 to 19 July 2024** in **Singapore**.

## Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid-to-senior-level government officials involved in social policy planning and development;
- Nominated by their respective governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English; and
- In good health.

### Note:

- Applicants who may require special assistance during the course are requested to email [Bryan\\_CHANG@mfa.gov.sg](mailto:Bryan_CHANG@mfa.gov.sg) and

[Bernice\\_LEE@mfa.gov.sg](mailto:Bernice_LEE@mfa.gov.sg) with details of the special assistance required.

## 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:

- Course fees;
- Visa application fees for entry into Singapore [Note: participants are responsible for their own transit visas (if any)];
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course. Complimentary breakfast is provided in the accommodation from the first day of the course to one day after the course;
- Per diem of One Hundred and Thirty Singapore Dollars (130 SGD) from the first day to the last day of the course. A proportionate reduction in the per diem will be made if the participant is unable to attend the full duration of the course;
- Local Transportation between hotel and site visits (if any); and
- Basic insurance coverage (Group Hospitalisation and Surgical; Group Personal Accident) for participants during their stay in Singapore, in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company. [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:

- **The nominating government will be responsible for its participants' round-trip airfares;**
- Participants are to bear their personal expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the per diem; and
- As the basic insurance coverage does not cover any pre-existing conditions/illnesses and/or any outpatient medical/dental treatment, participants are strongly advised to purchase comprehensive travel insurance which includes

adequate coverage of COVID-19 related expenses and medical evacuation in the event of any unexpected emergencies.

## Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- For entry into Singapore, participants are required to adhere to the latest travel and health requirements/advisories as indicated at [www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart](http://www.ica.gov.sg/enter-transit-depart);
- Strictly observe the course schedule and attend all training sessions; and
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating authority or government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

## Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **7 May 2024**)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance (NFP) to nominate **one (1)** suitable applicant(s). 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 NFP in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at <https://go.gov.sg/empowering2024> by **7 May 2024**. NFPs are also required to endorse nominees via email links. Instructions and FAQs for Applicants and NFPs can be found at the links below:

- Applicants: <https://go.gov.sg/start-guide>
- NFPs: <https://go.gov.sg/start-nfp>

### Note:

- Participants will receive a certificate of completion from the SCP upon completion of the course;
- Please refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of your application while your application is being processed;
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their

applications. The NFP will also be informed directly; and

- **Flight arrangements should be made only upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.**

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