

*UN Decade of Education  
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## **Asia-Pacific Leadership Programme on Environment for Sustainable Development:**

## **Green Economy and Sustainable Development**

June 4-8 2012, Shanghai, China



### **Background:**

The UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development (IESD) was jointly established by the 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.

An IESD Brainstorming Meeting was held in Beijing, on September 17-18, 2003. The meeting resulted in the establishment of the Asia-Pacific Regional University Consortium (RUC) to promote sustainable development education. The Leadership Programme on sustainable development was designed as a collaborative effort of the RUC to provide training for emerging leaders from various backgrounds.

The first Leadership Programme was successfully convened in Shanghai in 2004. It has been organized annually since 2004 as an opportunity of collaboration between Tongji University and the UNEP Regional Office for the Asia and Pacific region. By the end of 2011, more than 200

emerging leaders from 26 countries of the Asia and Pacific region have participated in the programme.

### **Objectives:**

- To provide the participants with an opportunity to broaden their knowledge on 3 dimensions:
  - human dimension: mind, body, soul;
  - environmental dimension: air, water, land;
  - economic and social dimension: society, environment, economy.
- To establish a leadership network for sustainable development. in the Asia-Pacific region.

### **Programme:**

The 2012 Leadership Programme will be offered by UNEP officials, professors of Tongji University, RUC and well-known scholars and leaders from the Asia-Pacific region. It will target young and emerging environmental leaders from the government, non-government organizations and the private sector. The Leadership Programme will last for five days, focusing on the three key points. It will include a field trip/case study, interactive exercise and participant presentations.

### **Participant Support:**

Limited financial resources will be available to support candidates from developing countries, which may cover return air fare and accommodation fees on application to the organizer.

## Day 1: Introduction & Human Dimension

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. Activities will be arranged as an icebreaker for participants to get to know each other. Young future environmental leaders across the world will focus on the mind, body and soul in relation to the environment and sustainable development.

## Day 2: Environmental Dimension

This session will center on Energy Efficiency, Eco-City, Urban Ecology, Green industry and Environment Ethics. There will also be presentations about the current events, the latest management system and creative ideas about the sustainable development at the opening ceremony of 2012 International Student Conference on Environment and Sustainability.

## Day 3: Economic and Social Dimension

This sessions will focus on Green Economy , Eco - Transportation and Eco - Tourism, 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 visit Chong Ming Island in Shanghai which will serve as typical cases of sustainable and eco-friendly economy.

## Day 5: Summary and Synthesis

The organizers and the participants will present a summary for the workshop to integrate relevant conclusions and suggestions. An evaluation of the workshop will also be undertaken.

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## Guidelines on Application

- (1) Please submit the application form and relevant documents before April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012 via email. Normally, decision notification will be mailed to you within one week after the deadline.
- (2) You can list your relevant qualifications, leadership experiences and achievements in a separate electronic document (no more than one page).
- (3) Resume and letter of recommendation in standard forms are also required.

Letter of recommendation should be from either an academic or professional referee who can testify your strengths and experiences relevant to environmental protection and sustainable development.

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