

# ENABLING PRIVATE SECTOR GROWTH AND ATTRACTING FDIS 9 TO 13 MAY 2016

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## SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

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## GLOBALAB PTE LTD

# **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, Singapore has sponsored training courses and study visits for over 100,000 officials from more than 170 countries. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

#### GlobaLab Pte Ltd

GlobaLab is a training enterprise comprising experts from both government and private sectors with solid training expertise in delivering programmes and consultancy services in Trade and Investment Negotiation, International Law. Public Sector Governance. Understanding Investment Free Trade Agreements, and Promotional Strategies for Private Development, Country Branding strategies, Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship for Public Sector. GlobaLab's aim is to provide technical intelligence related programmes and consultancy to government officials and organisations both locally and internationally.

## **Course Objectives**

By the end of the programme, participants would be able to:

 Understand the term Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and types of investments linked to economic policy making and growth

- Share the Singapore experiences in FDI promotion and industry clusters development strategy
- Understand the role of FDI promotion agency
- Introduce key areas of private sector development and entrepreneurship
- Explain stages of private sector development linking to SMEs and innovation
- Promote FDI and private sector development through bilateral investment guarantee agreements and free trade agreements
- Share Singapore experiences in developing SMEs with SPRING Singapore as the lead agency
- Explain the development of Public Private Partnership as an important contributor for economic growth for developing economies

# **Synopsis**

This programme will allow participants to develop a deep understanding about economic development, policy modeling and key investment promotion programmes by Singapore government agencies. The programme includes case studies of best practices in Singapore and how Singapore has strived to stay ahead of competition despite challenging times including the restructuring of the economy. The topics to be covered include:

- Introduction to FDI and developing of Industrial Sectors
- National policies to attract inward FDI
- Private Sector Development and SMEs Growth Strategy
- Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) to increase growth in domestic sectors
- Overview of Public Private Partnership (PPP) and Initiatives in Singapore

# Methodology

Using the best mix of training and learning methodologies, this programme will be highly interactive and experiential. Besides formal lecturing, activities include open discussions, group work, exercises, experiential activities and other learning methodologies. Participants will have adequate opportunity to share their experiences, learning points and challenges.

### **Duration**

The course will be held from 9 to 13 May 2016.

### **Application Information**

Applicants should be:

- Involved in FDI promotion;
- Have at least three years of relevant working experience in the areas of developing SMEs and providing advice to SMEs;
- Preferably possess a university degree;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in spoken and written English; and
- In good health.

#### **Terms of Award**

The course is sponsored by the Government of Singapore under the Singapore Cooperation Programme Training Award and the Small Island Developing States Technical Cooperation Programme.

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:

- A daily training allowance of One Hundred and Twenty Singapore Dollars (S\$120) from first day to last day of the course to cover meals and daily expenses. [Complimentary breakfast is provided in the hotel from the first day to one day after the course.]
- Transportation to course venue and site visits.
- Medical insurance for participants to cover accident and hospitalisation during their stay in Singapore in accordance with the policy of a local insurance company.
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course.

#### Note:

- (i) The nominating government will be responsible for their participants' round-trip airfares.
- (ii) Participants are to bear their personal miscellaneous expenses that might be incurred prior to receiving the allowance.

(iii) Any expenses for out-patient medical/dental treatment will be borne by the participants themselves.

## Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- (a) Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions.
- (b) Not bring any member of their family and/or aide for the duration of the course.
- (c) Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Government or the Government of Singapore with respect to the course.
- (d) Refrain from engaging in political activities, or any form of employment for profit or gain while in Singapore.
- (e) Discontinue the course, in the event they fall seriously ill and are considered unable to continue the training or have committed an improper act.
- (f) Return to their respective home countries upon completion of the course.

#### **Application Procedure**

(Closing date for nomination: 28 March 2016)

The Government of Singapore is pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance to nominate **one (1)** suitable applicant.

Selection of applicants will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Government of Singapore seeks the understanding of the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominations are to be submitted by the respective Government Institutions, using the official application form. The application forms are to be submitted and should reach the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**, **Singapore** through the National Focal Point and the Singapore Embassy in the nominating country not later than **Monday**, **28 March 2016**.

Please address the forms to:

Director-General
Technical Cooperation Directorate
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore
Tanglin
Singapore 248163

Attn: Ms Jasmine Loy Tel: (65) 6379 8472 Fax: (65) 6479 3357

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- To expedite the process, a copy of the completed application forms can be scanned and sent via e-mail/fax to the email address/fax number stated above. The original application forms can be mailed through diplomatic or normal channels.
- All application forms should be completed in full and <u>must</u> bear the endorsement of the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal Point responsible for technical assistance.
- Incomplete application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be accepted.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone, fax and email inquiries on the status of their applications.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. Their National Focal Point will also be informed directly or through our diplomatic representations in the nominating country.
- Flight arrangements are only to be made upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance to the course.

# Information on Singapore

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