





# **Applications for a Scholarship**

## Postgraduate Certificate Programme on Sustainable Consumption & Production

#### Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand Academic Year 2017/2018 (June to October 2018)

#### SWITCH-ASIA SCP NPSC SRI LANKA

#### MINISTRY OF MAHAWELI DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

Applications are invited from eligible candidates from the Government Ministries, Line Agencies and other not-for-profit service organizations including Chambers of Commerce or apex bodies of economic sectors and NGOs that are either currently involved or have a stake in the promotion of Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) in Sri Lanka in association with the Ministry of Mahaweli Development & Environment (MoMDE).

#### 1. Background

SWITCH-Asia Sustainable Consumption and Production National Policy Support Component for Sri Lanka project (NPSC) funded by European Union commenced in mid-January 2015 is a 4-year project to support the Sri Lankan Government in selecting, adapting and implementing suitable economic and regulatory policy instruments to promote sustainable consumption and production, thereby enhancing the long-term sustainability of consumption and production patterns.

## 2. Overall Objective of the Scholarship Programme

It is important to develop a stock of human capital to promote SCP concepts and to undertake appropriate interventions during and beyond the project implementation period. As SCP is a cross cutting discipline, while MoMDE takes the lead, other stakeholder organizations could also play vital roles in propagating the SCP concept across the country. In order to achieve this objective, it is necessary to develop expertise and competencies of state as well as non-state sector officials who are being groomed to lead SCP activities in respective organizations through higher educational programmes.

#### 3. Higher Educational Programmes

Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand has been identified as the most suitable and cost effective educational establishment that could meet the educational requirements envisaged under the project. Under this scholarship, the following programme is available;

#### Five (5) months Postgraduate Certificate Programme – 01 placement

(2017/2018 academic year to be commenced around June 2018)

The above scholarship will cover the tuition fee of AIT, board and lodging expenses at AIT and economy class return airfare (Colombo – Bangkok – Colombo).

## 4. Programme Content

SCP educational programmes shall provide an in-depth scientific study and practical aspects of SCP policy formulation, policy tools, policy implementation, monitoring and evaluation. It shall also cover crosscutting issues on SCP, effects from financial instruments, climate change, poverty reduction, environment protection, energy efficiency, sustainable procurement, green employment, sustainable consumption and sustainable industries. The







proposed 5 months Certificate Programme may consist of following contents to fulfil the above needs;

Section		Lecture Series		Presentations	
Α.	Overview Lectures	Lecture 1:	Introduction to	1a:	Interactive Session @ Introduction
			SCP	1b:	SCP - Eye Opener
		Lecture 2:	SCP Overview	2:	Overview of SCP
B.	Sustainable Production	Lecture 3:	Circular Economy	3a:	Moving Towards CE
				3b:	Industrial Cluster Examples
		Lecture 4:	Cleaner Production	4:	Cleaner Production
		Lecture 5:	Design for Sustainability	5:	Design for Sustainability
C.	Sustainable	Lecture 6:	Towards SC	6:	Consumption Pattern
	Consumption	Lecture 7:	Sustainable Supply Chain	7:	Socially and Environmentally Responsible Supply Chain Management
		Lecture 8:	Sustainable Public Procurement (SPP)	8:	Sustainable Public Procurement
D.	Holistic Waste Management and SCP in the Global Agenda	Lecture 9:	Holistic Waste Management	9:	Understanding Holistic Waste Management
		Lecture 10:	SCP in the Global Agenda	10:	SCP in the Global Agenda

## 5. Prospective Candidates

Target group will be those who are interested in learning and promoting SCP concepts representing various Ministries / Line Agencies / not-for-profit service organizations including Chambers of Commerce or apex bodies of economic sectors and NGOs. They will be trained as SCP experts / practitioners who could facilitate the propagating of SCP concepts and undertake appropriate interventions during and beyond the project implementation period.

#### 6. Selection Criteria

The selection criteria shall be based on the entry requirements of AIT Postgraduate Certificate Programmes and the potential contribution of the prospective candidate for propagating of SCP concepts.

#### Eligibility Requirements (Mandatory)

- 1. Graduate from any discipline from a recognized university
- 2. Proficiency in English
- 3. Computer literacy
- 4. Minimum of 3 years experience after graduation
- 5. Minimum of 1 year experience / exposure related to SCP after graduation
- 6. Be less than 50 years of age as at 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018
- 7. Organizational commitment to engage the applicant to propagate SCP concepts upon completion of the programme (Written confirmation from an authorised officer from the organization is required)







#### Selection Criteria

- 1. Postgraduate certificate from any discipline from a recognized educational establishment (**Marks 15**)
- 2. Postgraduate diploma from any discipline from a recognized educational establishment (**Marks 10**)
- 3. Master degree from any discipline from a recognized university (Marks 5)
- 4. Current position of the organization, which is making a significant contribution to implement SCP related activities (**Marks 40**).
- Number of SCP related workshops / training programmes attended during the past 3 years (Marks 30) At the rate of 10 marks for one workshop / training programme.
  Note:

Qualifying threshold is 50 marks. Documentary proofs are required.

## 7. Applications

Eligible candidates should send their application through email (scp.npsc.sl@gmail.com) to reach the Project Management Office on or before Friday 18 May 2018 along with the following documents;

- 1. Specially prepared CV showing the fulfilment of 7 eligibility requirements and 5 selection criteria with self-marking of each selection criteria as per the marking system of Section 6 of this document in addition to the basic bio data.
- 2. Documentary proofs of above eligibility requirements as well as selection criteria.
- 3. Covering letter indicating the proposed methodology and timeline of "postprogramme" contribution of the applicant to promote SCP within and out side of their organizations.
- 4. A letter of endorsement of the applicant and the willingness to grant official leave to follow the programme by an authorised officer of the organization if the applicant is selected (Eligibility Requirements No 7).

## 8. Post Programme Commitment

Upon successful completion of the programme, the participant should submit a report including the plan to promote SCP within and outside of their organizations and the updated methodology, which was submitted at the time of applying for the scholarship programme.