

## **LEADERS IN EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

**16 TO 27 JULY 2018**

Sponsored by the

### **SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME**

under the

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

to be conducted by the

### **NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION**

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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, Singapore has sponsored training courses and study visits for over 117,000 officials from more than 170 countries. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

#### **National Institute of Education**

The National Institute of Education (NIE) was established in July 1991 as an autonomous institute of the Nanyang Technological University (NTU). It is the sole teacher education institute in Singapore conducting all levels of teacher education, school leadership training, postgraduate studies in education and educational research.

NIE is organised into Programme Offices with 12 supporting Academic Groups. The Office of Teacher Education administers the initial teacher preparation programmes, leading to diploma, degree and postgraduate diploma qualifications, to equip student teachers with the values, skills and knowledge to lead in the service of learners. The Office of Graduate Studies and Professional Learning besides offering master's and doctoral degrees, also delivers in-service and leadership programmes to enhance the career pathways of serving teachers and educators.

## Course Objectives

The Leaders in Education Programme (LEP) is one of NIE's flagship programmes. It provides participants with the essential knowledge, skills and values of school leadership in the 21st century and seeks to empower educators with cutting-edge knowledge in the journey of innovation and change in schools. The LEP aims to:

- Prepare and develop school leaders using innovative approaches that address the broader roles and responsibilities of leaders and the purposes of schooling;
- Produce leaders who work to build student-centered schools with the capacity for high performance and continuous improvement towards that end;
- Encourage leaders to take a system-wide, "big picture" perspective, so that school programmes are aligned with the larger goals of national development;
- Address the challenges in managing people from different education settings in the context of a globalized world;
- Develop leaders who work with the strengths of their organisations, find new ways of doing things, and achieve breakthroughs in the delivery of knowledge.

## Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Singapore Education System and Transforming Schools
- Futuring and Visioning in Leading Schools
- The "Fourth Industrial Revolution" and Education Change
- Gaining Competitive Advantage: What it takes to be Innovative?
- Enhancing Knowledge Creation and Innovative Capacity
- Schools and Active Citizenship
- Curriculum Innovation and the Nurturing of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner
- ICT Integration and Whole School Approach
- Leading Change
- Building and Sustaining School Brands
- Staff Appraisal and Performance Management
- Every School, a Good School: Made to Measure

## Methodology

The programme is designed with seminars and hands-on workshop and presentations to ensure maximum participation and diversity of engagement for the participants such that the key learning points are entrenched well. Relevant site visits to local schools will also be included.

## Duration

The course will be held from **16 to 27 July 2018**.

## Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Principals, educators, and senior level officials from education ministries and related government institutions and agencies;
- Holders of a degree or equivalent qualifications;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken 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; and
- Accommodation for the entire duration of the course.

### Note:

- (i) The nominating government will be responsible for its 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 Authority 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: **11 June 2018**)

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

All nominations are to be submitted through **online Application Forms available at <https://start.wizvision.com/startpublic/>**.

Information submitted online must be endorsed by the National Focal Point by **Monday, 11 June 2018**. Please contact [start-support@wizvision.com](mailto:start-support@wizvision.com) if you encounter technical issues during application.

- All application forms should be completed in full and submitted online. They must also be **endorsed** by the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs or National Focal Point for Technical Assistance.
- Draft application forms or forms which are not endorsed will not be considered.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone and email inquiries on the status of their applications.
- The system is hosted by a third party service provider. Please avoid providing input with sensitive or confidential information that should not be disclosed or made available online.
- The **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore** will inform all applicants of the outcome of their applications. The National Focal Point will also be informed directly or through Singapore's

diplomatic representations in the nominating country.

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

## Information on Singapore

For more information about Singapore, you may wish to visit the Singapore Tourism Board website at [www.yoursingapore.com](http://www.yoursingapore.com)



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