

HYBRID TRAINING COURSE ON URBAN RESILIENCE



2-10 November 2023 2-3 November: Online Phase 6-10 November: In-person Phase



WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

The Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) in partnership with the International Urban Resilience Academy of the SDU.Resilience research group of the University of Southern Denmark (SDU) is offering a training course to help address the knowledge gap in urban resilience. The course aims to build the core skills and competencies for urban resilience transitions, including fundamentals of urban resilience in research, climate science, international and national policies, and resilience in action. Participants will be introduced to the Process Design Methodology, a guiding framework for developing strategic and action plans for urban resilience transition in their own local contexts. This methodology consists of four main steps:

- (1) System analysis and stakeholders' mapping
- (2) Forecasting of trends and drivers
- (3) Visioning & strategy
- (4) Developing an Action Plan.

Participants will apply the methodology in a case study by developing a draft resilience action plan through group assignments focusing on each of these steps. This will expose them to the use of a system approach to understand the current challenges and opportunities for urban resilience transition as well as the current tools and methods available to address climate adaptation and disaster risk reduction needs.

WHAT KNOWLEDGE GAPS WILL BE ADDRESSED?

Asia is undergoing rapid urbanization, with over half of the world's megacities and an expected urbanization rate of 64 per cent by 2050. Though this growth has come with significant economic benefits, it has brought about major issues in infrastructure, sustainability, and vulnerability. Cities and their populations are increasingly exposed and susceptible to rapid and slow on-setting climate and environmental disasters while decision-makers must balance addressing these challenges with meeting essential urban services provision. By equipping the participants with the best and next practices relevant for sustainable urban resilience transitions, ADPC and SDU aim to improve disaster preparation and readiness in cities and governments around the world.

TO WHOM IS THIS FOR?

The course targets following groups of participants:

- Urban Resilience Practitioners from the private and public sectors, including non-profit organizations.
- Policymakers from local, national, and subnational governments and from international and intergovernmental organizations.

• Scientists and researchers from universities and research organizations, including PhD candidates and lecturers.

COURSE OVERVIEW:

The training will be conducted in a blended modality. The onboarding for the training course will be conducted online (4 Hours spread over two days). The onboarding will cover fundamentals that are prerequisites for joining the course. This will be followed by a five day in-person training. During the in-person training, different thematic areas related to urban resilience will be discussed in the morning sessions via lectures and presentations. The afternoon sessions will be mainly dedicated to group exercises with different tools and discussions on case studies. An exposure visit will be organized for the participants to gain first-hand experience of different actions implemented in the city of Bangkok, Thailand (one of the Megacities in Asia) for enhancing urban resilience.

COURSE FEE

Investment for the course is USD 1,600 with accommodation and USD 1,300 without accommodation. The fee is inclusive of cost of instruction; morning and afternoon snacks including lunch for five (5) days and soft copies of course materials.

SPECIAL DISCOUNTS

• Course fee waiver of one (1) participant, if an organization sponsoring six (6) participants to the training course.

REGISTRATION

Interested individuals and organizations can register online at www.adpc.net/apply.

For more information about the course, you may also contact Mr. Apibarl Bunchongraksa at apibarl@adpc.net and telephone numbers +66 22980681 to 92 ext 132.

Interested applicants are encouraged to register on or before 06 October 2023.