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**SCP : Law of the Sea and Climate Change**

**From 06-10 March 2023 (E-learning)**

Please find a copy of the letter No. TA/Sin/S/675 dated 11.01.2023 received from the Director General of Department of External Resources on the above (Annex I).

02. Accordingly, you are kindly requested to disseminate the enclosed information among relevant Authorities / Parties under the purview of your University / Institute.

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## LAW OF THE SEA AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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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, close to 150,000 officials from more than 180 countries and territories have participated in our courses and study visits. The SCP is managed by the Technical Cooperation Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

### Japan International Cooperation Agency

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), one of Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) implementing bodies, has been extending technical cooperation in human resource development to facilitate

the autonomous, sustainable development of developing countries since its establishment in 1974. From 2008, JICA was further strengthened to incorporate all activities of Japan's Official Development including concessional ODA loans and grant aid in an effective and efficient manner.

JICA will enhance the impact of assistance through (a) A More Strategic Framework to achieve medium-to-long term development goals of developing countries (b) More Predictable Aid as operational "rolling" plans will be utilised in policy dialogue with developing countries (c) Speedier Project Formulation through "Preparatory Survey" to ensure flexibility and speed at the project preparation stage (d) Assistance Tailored to Real Needs: Synergy of Aid Schemes to offer assistance that most effectively addresses the needs of developing countries.

### Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21)

As countries whose prime resources are their people, Singapore and Japan believe that human resource development is important for economic and social progress. With this mutual understanding, Singapore and Japan signed a Memorandum of Understanding

in January 1994 to train participants from developing countries by sharing each country's expertise and experience from their economic development under the Japan - Singapore Partnership Programme (JSPP).

The Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21) was established through a Memorandum of Discussion (MOD) signed in May 1997, to signify a widening of the scope of technical cooperation between Singapore and Japan. Since then, the MOD has been renewed three times, most recently in December 2018.

With a view to enhancing ASEAN integration and sharing the two countries' experience in their areas of expertise, both governments recognised, as areas of priority, training and capacity building for third countries in the fields of (a) security and peace, (b) addressing vulnerability, (c) private sector development, (d) connectivity, and (e) smart initiatives.

Since 1994, Singapore and Japan have implemented close to 400 training courses for more than 6,500 participants in diverse fields such as public governance, trade promotion, climate change and environment, community policing, disaster management, maritime navigation, tourism, and urban planning.

## Course Objectives

This course aims to provide participants with a summary of climate change's impacts on the oceans, as well as how the Law of the Sea (as reflected in UNCLOS) can be used to address them. The limits of UNCLOS in addressing these impacts will also be discussed.

## Synopsis

Topics to be covered include:

- Background and principles of the Law of the Sea, including UNCLOS
- Impact of climate change on coasts, offshore features, baselines, maritime boundaries, shipping, living marine resources and the marine environment
- Development and adaptation of the Law of the Sea to address the challenges of climate change

## Methodology

This course will be delivered for up to **25 participants** through a 'blended' virtual classroom comprising a combination of **asynchronous e-Learning** (independent and self-study of online modules and **synchronous e-Learning** ('live' e-learning sessions). There will be Q&A

sessions and facilitated group discussions during the 'live' sessions.

## Regulations

Participants are required to comply with the following:

- Strictly observe course schedules and not miss training sessions, and;
- Carry out instructions and abide by conditions as may be stipulated by the nominating Authority or Government and the Government of Singapore and its appointed trainer, with respect to the course.

## Duration

The course will be held over 5 days from **6 to 10 March 2023**.

The "**Live**" **e-learning sessions** will be conducted **tentatively from 1400 to latest 1700 (Singapore Time; UTC/GMT +8 hours)** each day. Sessions may end earlier on selected days.

Participants are expected to complete allocated pre-readings before attending the 'live' e-learning sessions. Prior to course commencement, the training coordinator will brief participants on the rules of engagement (break time, attendance, punctuality, recording, Q&A).

## Application Information

Applicants should be:

- Mid-to-senior level government officials who work on issues related to the Law of the Sea and Climate Change;
- Able to attend **all** the synchronous e-learning sessions. They will require an internet-enabled device with Zoom installed, a functioning webcam and audio;
- Nominated by their respective Governments;
- Proficient in written and spoken English.

In addition, as stipulated by the Government of Japan:

If your organisation and/or your status is related to the Military, you are required to send an email to [1rtd2@jica.go.jp](mailto:1rtd2@jica.go.jp) with your name, country, organisation, the course name, and choose one

option from below that best describes your relationship with the Military:

- the Military, an active military personnel or a military personnel listed in the muster roll/military register;
- an organisation affiliated with the Military, or a personnel who does not belong to the military at present but is listed in the muster roll/military register;
- the Department or the Ministry of Defense, and organisation affiliated with the Ministry of Defense, or staff of the Ministry of Defense;
- a civilian organisation but with military personnel or a military division within the organization; or
- an organisation which will be affiliated with or under the control of the Military in times of emergency as specified clearly in its organic law/law of establishment

Qualifications of applicants who belong to the military or other military-related organizations and/or who are enlisted in the military will be examined by the Government of Japan on a case-by-case basis, consistent with the Development Cooperation Charter of Japan, taking into consideration their duties, positions in the organisation, and other relevant information in a comprehensive manner.

### Terms of Award

The course is sponsored by the Governments of Japan and Singapore under the Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

### Application Procedure

(Closing date for nomination: **10 February 2023**)

The Governments of Japan and Singapore are pleased to invite the respective National Focal Point for Technical Assistance (NFP) to nominate **two (2)** suitable applicants. Selection of candidates will be based on merit. Should there be more applicants than training places, the Governments of Japan and Singapore seek the understanding of the respective NFP in the event that its nominee(s) is not selected.

All nominees are to submit their applications online at <https://go.gov.sg/loscc2023> by **Friday, 10 February 2023**. NFPs are also required to endorse nominees via email links. Instructions and FAQs for Applicants and NFPs can be found at the links below:

- Applicants: <https://go.gov.sg/start-guide>
- NFPs: <https://go.gov.sg/start-nfp>

### Note:

- Participants who complete all course assignments and attend at least 80% of 'live' e-learning sessions, will receive a JSPP21 certificate of completion.
- Applicants should refrain from making telephone 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. The NFP will also be informed directly.

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