



MASHAV – Israeli Agency for International Development

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MCTC – MASHAV Carmel Training Center

in cooperation with

United Nations Environment Program

(UNEP)

and

United Nations Human Settlements Program

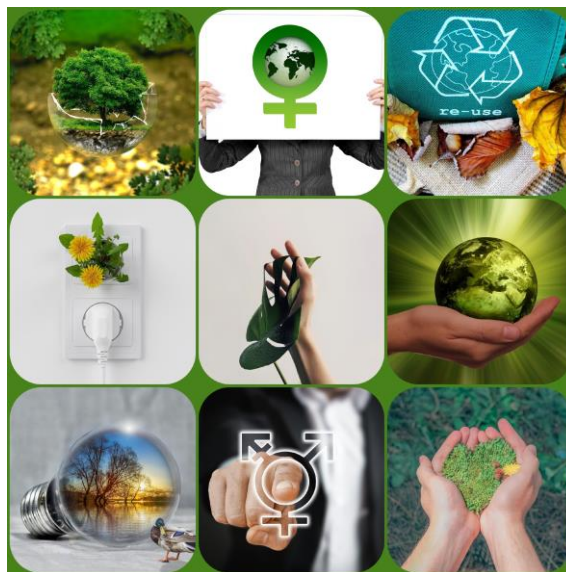
(UN Habitat)

invite professionals

to participate in the

International Online Course on:

***Building Sustainable Communities:
Leadership, Gender, and the Environment***



Eight online meetings (two meetings per week)

March 1- 24, 2021

Background

Dates: 1/03/21, 3/03/21, 8/03/21, 10/03/21, 15/03/21, 17/03/21, 22/03/21, 24/03/21.

13:00 – 14:30 Israeli time

One of the main outcomes of the Rio+20 Conference was the agreement by Member States to launch a process to develop a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which would build upon the Millennium Development Goals and converge with the post 2015 development agenda. As a member of the 'Global Sustainable Development Criteria' (GSTC) initiative, Israel is committed to the promotion of sustainable communities worldwide. MASHAV through its training center, MCTC, in cooperation with the Gender and Safeguard Unit of UN Environment and the Gender Equality Unit of UNHABITAT share good practices and experiences regarding sustainable development and women's empowerment, especially concerning environmental development, community development, and leadership development.

Aims and topics

- Leadership of women and youth in sustainable development
- Gender equality issues and their relation to environmental management
- Leadership and vision
- Gender mainstreaming
- Urban governance and smart cities
- Global Ecovillage movement: models of green building, use of local resources and renewable energies
- Covid-19 impact on gender and environment

Applicant's Profile

This online international workshop is designed for women and men, community leaders, grassroots development officers, national and local government officers, non-governmental development practitioners, and women's organizations. Candidates are expected to have academic training or equivalent professional qualifications in relevant subject matter, with at least 5 years of practical experience. They should be presently engaged in promoting sustainable living in their communities. Good command of English is required.

Application Forms

Application forms and other information may be obtained at the nearest Israeli mission. Please contact the Israeli Embassy in your country for more information. Completed application forms, should be sent to the relevant Israeli mission in the respective country no later than **8 February 2021**.

Course Details

This online course contains 8 meetings of 2 academic hours, twice a week.

Participants will need access to all the technology needed for a webinar (computer, video, microphone, speakers, and a stable internet connection) as well as have 2 free hours twice a week to participate as the course is very interactive and participants will be expected to participate fully in every task. A convenient, quiet and adequate working environment is highly important. Additionally, the Google Classroom tool

will be used for providing participants with course materials as well as homework and follow up activities after each session.

About MASHAV

MASHAV – Israel’s Agency for International Development Cooperation is dedicated to providing developing countries with the best of Israel’s experience in development and planning, and focuses its efforts on capacity building, sharing relevant expertise accumulated during Israel's own development experience to empower governments, communities and individuals to improve their own lives.

MASHAV’s approach is to ensure social, economic, and environmental sustainable development, and to take an active part in the international community’s process of shaping the 2030 Agenda of Sustainable Development.

MASHAV’s activities focus primarily on areas in which Israel has a competitive advantage, including agriculture and rural development; water resources management; entrepreneurship and innovation; community development; medicine and public health; empowerment of women; and education. Professional programs are based on a “train the trainers” approach to institutional and human capacity building, and are conducted both in Israel and abroad.

About MCTC

The Golda Meir MASHAV Carmel International Training Center (MCTC) was established in 1961 to assist in the training of women engaged in community work in the newly emerging states in Africa and Asia. Since the establishment of MCTC, some 22,500 participants from over 140 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Central Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, Oceania, and the Caribbean have attended over 650 capacity-building programs and workshops, and 30 International Conferences for Women Leaders, conducted in Israel.

MCTC focuses on three areas of study: Community Development, Early Childhood Education, and Entrepreneurship and Innovation, all with gender as a crosscutting issue. In each training program there are up to 30 women and men from various countries. Usually two courses are conducted concurrently in different languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian, or Arabic). The Center is located on Mount Carmel in Haifa. The building consists of living accommodation and classrooms, as well as recreation and dining facilities. A library and a computer laboratory with internet access serve the participants. MCTC enjoys the active cooperation of a number of international organizations, governmental and non-governmental organizations and development authorities.

About UN Environment

The United Nations Environment, established in 1972, is the voice for the environment within the United Nations system. UN Environment acts as a catalyst, advocate, educator and facilitator to promote the wise use and sustainable development of the global environment. UN Environment’s mission is "To provide leadership and encourage partnership in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing, and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations. For more information: www.unep.org

About UNHABITAT

UN-Habitat is the United Nations program working towards a better urban future. Its mission is to promote socially and environmentally sustainable human settlements development and the achievement of adequate shelter for all.

In October 2016, at the UN Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development – Habitat III – member states signed the New Urban Agenda. This is an action-oriented document, which sets global standards of achievement in sustainable urban development, rethinking the way we build, manage, and live in cities. Through drawing together cooperation with committed partners, relevant stakeholders, and urban actors, including at all levels of government as well as the private sector, UN-Habitat is applying its technical expertise, normative work and capacity development to implement the New Urban Agenda and Sustainable Development Goal 11 – to make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. For more information: www.unhabitat.org