Call for Applications

ICAP Training Course on Emissions Trading for Emerging Economies and Developing Countries

Beijing, China, 23 May to 1 June 2011

Application deadline is 11 March 2011. Participation in the Beijing Training Course is open to applicants from certain countries in East and South Asia. Please see the information below for a detailed list of eligible countries. Detailed application instructions are available on the ICAP website at www.icapcarbonaction.com

Overview

From 23 May to 1 June 2011, the International Carbon Action Partnership (ICAP) will convene a ICAP Training Course on Emissions Trading for Emerging Economies and Developing Countries in Beijing, China. Addressed to 25 to 30 carefully selected policy makers and other stakeholders from the nongovernmental, academic and private sectors, it will convey an in-depth understanding of emissions trading as an instrument to mitigate greenhouse gases, and build capacity on the technical design and implementation of carbon trading systems. Over the span of one and a half weeks, participants will have ample networking opportunities with each other and with the teaching faculty, composed of representatives from ICAP members and other recognized experts in the field. Use of modern communication technologies will help promote active discussions among participants beyond the duration of the Training Course.

Course Content

The ICAP Training Course will introduce participants to the concept of emissions trading as a policy instrument, and provide illustration by way of case studies. The course will also cover emissions trading as a feature of the international climate regime, and explore the opportunities offered by creating a global carbon market of linked domestic and regional systems and taking into account the specific needs and interests of developing countries. The ICAP Training Course will address a range of pertinent issues, including allocation methods, offset mechanisms, questions relating to the scope and coverage of a trading scheme, the need for adequate monitoring, reporting and verification, and registry design and implementation. It will also cover the value of economic analysis in the run-up to an ETS, anticipate future developments and identify options for market links between different trading systems. Team-
building activities are an important component of the ICAP Training Course and will be fostered through break-out sessions and frequent working groups. A detailed program will be made available to those applicants who have been selected for participation.

Teaching Faculty

Teaching faculty for the Training Course will consist of experienced decision makers from the relevant administrative authorities in ICAP member jurisdictions, as well as practitioners and representatives from established educational and research institutions active in the area of emissions trading and climate policy. With this combination of different backgrounds, the faculty not only guarantees a high level of technical expertise and practical experience, but also promotes the creation of an active network between Training Course participants, government officials and the research and advisory community. Course material will be provided by recognized experts on the technical and institutional aspects of climate policy and emissions trading.

Participation

Participation is open to applicants from China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. Applicants should be stakeholders from the nongovernmental, academic and private sectors as well as policy makers who are or will be involved in deciding on, designing and implementing emissions trading systems. Participants will be selected based on defined criteria that take into account a balanced mixture of professional backgrounds and nationalities. Final confirmation of participants will rest with ICAP. Detailed application instructions are available on the ICAP website.

Logistical Arrangements

The Training Course will be carried out from 23 May to 1 June 2011 in Beijing in cooperation with Tsinghua University on campus premises. Accommodation, catering and local transportation for all participants during the Training Course will be covered by the organizers. Travel expenses can be reimbursed for participants from the following countries within the budget limits provided: China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. Participants from Korea and Singapore will be expected to cover their own travel expenses. Further details will be made available to those applicants who have been selected for participation.

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