

ON REGIONAL OCEAN GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK,
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION
ON THE LAW OF THE SEA (UNCLOS) AND ITS RELATED INSTRUMENTS
IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN SEAS AND THE INDIAN OCEAN

4 week Training Programme
July 1 - 28, 2018
Hua Hin, Prachuap Khiri Khan, THAILAND



### **COURSE INFORMATION**

## The course:

- requires a full time commitment by participants on the basis of six hours of class work daily over a five-day week;
- involves traditional lectures and classroom sessions as well as hands-on sessions, field visits, practical classes, seminars, workshops and group exercise, and extra-classroom activities during some evenings and weekends:
- involves group work and each participant is expected to provide input to shared activities;
- will be conducted in English therefore, participants must be able to understand, write and speak good English.

Successful applicants must be willing to complete some specified reading and preparatory work prior to the course.

## **COURSE DATE AND VENUE**

The course is held in Hua Hin, Prachuap Khiri Khan, Thailand over 4-week period from July 1-28, 2018. Enquiries may be sent to IOI Thailand and application forms are available to the deadline in May 10, 2018.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND TARGETED PARTICIPANTS

The training programme is specifically designed to benefit policy makers, civil servants, mid-career professionals, educators, researchers, media professionals, civil society members, having coastal or marine related responsibilities and functions or interests.

### Additional considerations:

- preference will be given to candidates from developing countries of the Southeast Asians Seas and Indian Ocean;
- applicants from developed countries around the regional seas shall be considered if they have full funding;
- participants from other countries outside the region will also be considered on a case by case basis.

Participants should preferably be between 25 and 45 years of age, and possess at least a first degree in a field relevant to marine affairs, governance or sciences.

### COURSE FEES AND SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

A nominal course fee covering tuition and course materials, lodging, lunches and coffee breaks on the lecture days and field trip expenses, will be charged to each accepted participants to cover full participation in the 4-week programme in Hua Hin, Prachuap Khiri Khan, Thailand.

# **APPLICATIONS AND DEADLINES**

Course application forms may be received following a request by email or through download from the course website. Advanced applications via email must be received by the deadline. The relevant application form must be fully completed and scanned including the nomination form and sent by the application deadline to the email address: ioi.thailand@hotmail.com with submission emails marked Attention IOI Regional Ocean Governance Training in Hua Hin, Prachuap Khiri Khan, Thailand.

#### **ACCREDITATION**

Completion of the full course and fulfillment of the course work to the required standards will lead to a Certificate in Ocean Governance issued by the International Ocean Institute - Thailand (IOI - Thailand).

## **COURSE CONTENT**

The course curriculum is divided into three main modules giving altogether a broad approach to the theme of the course.

**Module 1:** Global Ocean Governance Framework: set out the objectives of ocean governance and the linkages to socio-economic issues, integrated and ecosystem ocean governance, and resource exploitation. During this module the international and regional governance structures, conventions and tools are presented and discussed with special emphasis on the governance architecture provided through UNCLOS and its related instruments.

**Module 2:** Manage Our Relations with the Ocean in Southeast Asian and Indian Ocean Regions: covers traditional policy, legal and institutional tools of the Blue Economy and Blue Growth, focusing on science-management interface and bringing to the fore the use of state-of-the art technology in support of ocean governance. Tools, techniques and processes which support and inform decision making and policy

Action are presented, as are relevant case studies and best practices; hands-on practical exercises are provided.

**Module 3:** Conflict Management and Consensus Building: addresses those conflicting interests that can be a barrier to effective ocean governance and management and the mechanisms available for conflict prevention and management. During this part of the course, the UN system is presented as well as other mechanisms for high level negotiations, dispute settlement and the creation of consensus around common goals; case studies and stimulated negotiation sessions help give practical experience and topical relevance.



## MAJOR TOPICS COVERED DURING THE PROGRAMME

The programme seeks to inform on core of a governance topics and emerging ocean issues of a global and regional nature such as regional nature such as:

- the major conventions and instruments regulating oceans and their sustainable use: UNCLOS, the IMO Conventions, the regional seas conventions, IOC, FAO, UNCTAD and ILO and many others
- the roles of international and regional bodies such as the UN institutions. the EU and other major regional mechanisms governing the international oceans and the regional seas;
- emerging issues in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (ABNJ); ocean governance and special issues in the Arctic areas; climate change, security and financial crises; the Blue Economy, Blue Growth, and ocean economics;
- tools and processes to manage the oceans and regional seas: ICZM, Maritime Spatial Planning; latest developments in data collection and interpretation for policy making, big data and large scale processes; ecosystem and regional scales of management;
- Sustainable Development Goal 14 to conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development.