



ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME 2010

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Shelter Design and Development

In Lund, Sweden, September 1–24, 2010

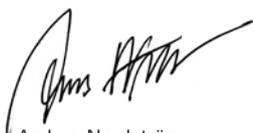
Regional continuation in February, 2011

Invitation

The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) offers, as part of its bilateral development assistance, Advanced International Training Programmes of strategic importance to the social and economic development in the participants' countries. The International Training Programmes are specially designed for persons qualified to participate in reform processes of strategic importance on different levels and holds a position in home organization with mandate to run processes of change. This methodology is based on the assumption that your country wish to carry out changes and are willing to invest own resources to achieve these changes. In the long-term perspective the programmes shall contribute to institutional strengthening and capacity development in the participants' countries.

Training is focused on support to individual or team plans for change. The plan shall be well established in the participant's organization and is a basic part of the programme concept.

In this brochure you will find information on the specific objectives for this particular programme, its content and structure, and how and when to apply. You will also find an application form.

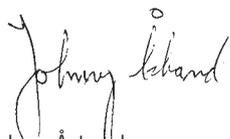


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Director General,
Sida

More than half of the world's population lives in cities. The urban population in developing countries grows by five to six percent each year, which is twice as fast as in rural areas. Urbanization is increasingly important in development, and better planning methods are essential to manage the process.

The Swedish policy for global development includes support to the urban sector, and contributes to an integrated vision of planning. In addition to Sida's general development priorities, the three main reasons to support urban development are especially relevant for this course: poverty alleviation, economic growth and protection of the environment. Successful urban development demands that all programme components, activities and actors work together. This makes it possible to create the synergy that can be achieved with a holistic and integrated approach, based on environmentally sound economic and social development.

Applications are invited from Africa, Asia and the Middle East, and Latin America. Both women and men are encouraged to apply.



Johnny Åstrand
Director,
HDM

Programme Objectives

The aim of the programme is to give professionals working in the area of Shelter Design & Development deeper knowledge and a wider frame of reference to help them create long-term conditions to combat poverty through effective capacity and institutional development.

The programme will create awareness of the equality and poverty perspectives for global development starting from Shelter Design & Development. It aims to:

- Increase the knowledge and capacity of the participants in shelter design and development, from the perspective of poverty alleviation and in relation to physical planning and institutional frameworks;
- Increase their knowledge and capacity in the design of housing and shelter, with emphasis on quality, costs, users' needs and gender relations;
- Promote democratic processes of transition from unplanned to planned urbanization.
- Through each participant's indi-

vidual work, increase understanding for Shelter Design & Development so that new ideas can be promoted in the participants' home organisation.

Contents

The programme takes its reference point in the United Nations' Habitat Agenda which defines our responsibility to help improve the housing situation of the poor. The teaching in the programme rests also on the internationally accepted urgency to improve the housing situation of the poorest, as expressed in the UN's Millennium Development Goals. The course takes up:

- Shelter Situation: current issues, situation analyses, global strategies, methods for evaluation and optimizing performance of the actors on the organizational and national level;
- Shelter Design: the design processes, planning phases, evaluation through international case studies and best practices, modern techniques to study geographic, socio-economic and legal factors;

- Shelter Development: methodologies, enabling strategies, cooperation between private and public organizations.

Several of the successful examples considered come from Sida's experience in urban development during the last 15 years.

An important part of the programme will be the participants' individual work, a project to change and improve aspects of shelter promotion in their home organization. The individual work will be reported in a short paper.

The methods presented for analysing and developing housing improvement can be used as tools together with new knowledge in the areas of:

- Identifying and developing appropriate and innovative solutions based on the specific local conditions in the participants' home countries;
- Physical planning at different levels with consideration for sustainable development from social, economic and environmental perspectives;

- Design of housing and housing areas with emphasis on quality and economy from the users' perspective. Quality includes location, tenure, function, safety and comfort.

Programme Structure

This programme includes five phases. Phases 1, 3 and 5 take place in the participant's home organization. Phase 2 is conducted in Lund, Sweden. Phase 4 will be held in Africa or Asia.

Date and place

In Phase 1, the preparatory phase before coming to Lund, the participants start their individual work that will be the core of the programme through all phases. They will write an analysis of the Shelter Situation in their countries and identify objects suitable for further study. This documentation will be presented in Phase 2.

Phase 2 is an intense course in Lund, Sweden, September 1–24, 2010, during which current theoretical and practical knowledge in the field is presented and discussed. This phase provides content and methodology, and establishes a common basis to prepare and support design of the individual work. The individual work is to develop a proposal to improve or introduce a new project, programme or policy for Shelter Design & Development in the home organization.

During Phase 3 the participant works in the home organization according to methods learned in Phase 2, with distance support from an HDM advisor. This phase should last 4–6 months, during which each participant completes the individual work as a paper with a finished proposal.

Phase 4 is a two week continuation during February, 2011 in Africa or Asia to study interesting experiences in the region. During this phase the individual work will be presented and revised. At least one project in the country will be studied in depth through a study visit, lectures and seminars.

Phase 5 is the final submission of the individual project and proposal to HDM, for publication on HDM's website, about a month after the end

of Phase 4. During this phase, the network will be developed for continued professional support.

Teaching

The course will be conducted in a university department specialized in housing and development in an international perspective. The course will be taught through lectures, seminars and both individual and group exercises. Each participant will work on an individual project, which will be the core of the course.

During phases when participants work individually in their home organization, teaching will be conducted on an internet based learning platform which will be available to participants from Phase 1. The platform allows contact among the participants and between individual participants and advisors at HDM.

Management and staff

Housing Development & Management HDM, Lund University, considers housing in an international perspective – design, supply and use – and the relationship between the dwelling and its surroundings, from neighbourhood to city level. The aim is to understand how to improve the processes leading to good housing conditions and sustainable development, especially for the poor.

HDM offers international post-graduate courses for planners, architects, engineers and others working in the construction and housing sectors. For many years HDM has successfully run courses under Sida's International Training Programmes. Over 900 planners, architects, civil engineers and other professionals have attended these courses. Currently HDM administers and contributes to Sida ITP's Conservation and Management of Historic Buildings. Between 1999 and 2004 HDM ran two international Master of Science courses, and currently contributes to the Master of Arts in Urban Management and Development, in collaboration with the Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, the Netherlands.

Since 1995 HDM has managed PROMESHA, Programa de capacitación para el Mejoramiento Socio

Habitacional, under a contract with Sida's Division for Urban Development.

HDM (www.hdm.lth.se) has 11 staff members: 8 architects/planners, one civil engineer and two administrators. All academic staff members have extensive professional experience in developing countries, ranging from 5 to 35 years.

Participation

Target region:

Africa, Asia, Latin America, Middle East/North Africa

Target Group:

Key professionals at management level with responsibility for shelter projects, policies or programmes; key professionals who deal with or have responsibility for capacity building and change in their organizations. Applicants should have a university degree in architecture, planning, economics, engineering, social sciences or another relevant field, and at least five years professional experience. Applicants should have good computer competence (word processing) and access to a computer in the home country for e-mail communication.

Language requirements

Applicants must prove good competence in written and spoken English, equivalent to TOEFL 550 (paper) or 213 (internet).

Due to the character of the programme family members are not allowed to accompany participants to the programme.

Application Process

**Closing date for application is
April 15, 2010.**

Applications submitted after closing date will not be considered.

Application should be written on the special form attached and include a recent photograph and required information and documents (e.g. copy of academic degree).

An English language test should be made with an official body in the home country of the applicant, unless the applicant can provide other

documentation to support her/his ability.

The Swedish Embassy/Consulate does not carry out language tests but may be able to recommend appropriate language institutes for conducting tests.

When necessary, the application should be approved by the official nominating authority in the country. The application should be submitted to the nearest Swedish Embassy/Consulate. If there is no Swedish Embassy/Consulate in the applicant's country, the application should be submitted directly to the Programme Secretariat. Selected applicants will be notified by e-mail or telefax. Once accepted, the applicant must confirm participation. An invitation letter will be sent out, containing additional information on the programme and the practical arrangements.

Cost of Participation

The cost of the programme is divided between a participation fee and accommodation cost. The participation fee covers all training cost such as lectures, literature, documentation, study tours and certain social activities. Accommodation costs in-

clude board and lodging. The Swedish International Development Co-operation Agency (Sida) will cover these costs.

Sida will pay international travel cost in connection to the fourth phase of the training programme.

Personal expenses are not included.

Accommodation

Participants will be accommodated in a hotel with breakfast.

Visa

Participants are responsible for obtaining all visas necessary for their journey and stay during the training programme. The visa should be valid for the whole period of the programme and the passport should be valid for three months longer than the entry visa. Inquiries should be directed to respective Swedish Embassy/Consulate alternatively other Schengen representation as soon as possible after acceptance into the programme. Participants visiting other countries on their way to or from Sweden must ensure that correct visas are obtained before leaving home country, especially for countries not included in the Schengen agreement.

The costs for obtaining visas are

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carried by the participant.

For more information, this website offers Swedish visa information: <http://www.migrationsverket.se/english.html>

Insurance

All participants are covered by a group insurance while in Sweden and on organized tours during the programme. This insurance includes costs for medical care in the event of acute illness or accident. Medical and dental check-ups are not included.

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Lund

The city of Lund dates from 990 AD. It lies in the far south, in the richest agricultural region of Sweden. It has the character of a small town, with an old centre around the Cathedral. The current population of Lund is just over 100,000.

Lund University

Lund University (www.lu.se) was founded in 1666, partly in order to knit the provinces which had been ceded by Denmark in 1658 closer to Sweden. Since then the University has developed into a modern international

centre. With eight faculties and a multitude of research centres and specialized institutes, it is today the largest unit for research and higher education in Sweden. The university is spread throughout the city and has over 41,000 students. Lund University is one of 14 institutions in Sweden and Denmark making up the Öresund University with 140,000 students and over 12,000 researchers.

Faculty of Engineering

The Faculty of Engineering (www.lth.se) was founded in 1961. It is Sweden's third

largest engineering faculty. Undergraduate teaching and research are pursued in the fields of chemical, environmental, civil, mechanical, electrical and computer engineering, as well as engineering physics, industrial management & engineering, risk management, architecture, industrial design and surveying.

Housing Development & Management is part of Lund University, Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Built Environment.