Short Course: Skills Forecasting for the Fourth Industrial Revolution

Call for applications

The Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, under the Australia for ASEAN Digital Transformation and Future Skills initiative, invites applications from ASEAN countries to attend a short course on **Skills Forecasting for the Fourth Industrial Revolution** in Australia.

The two-week short course is designed for ASEAN citizens working in the field of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) and skills development. The short course will facilitate an exchange of expertise between Australia and ASEAN countries on skills forecasting for the Fourth Industrial Revolution and other emerging trends in ASEAN.

In Australia, the participants will have an opportunity to connect with Australian organisations and hear from leaders in the field.

The short course will be delivered in Australia twice, in on 29 January – 9 February 2024 and 29 April – 10 May 2024.

The program consists of a two-week course in Australia and a one day online briefing session.

The course will help participants to

- Identify ways to support TVET regional mobility to strengthen the comparability of selected sectors in ASEAN and reduce the gap between the demand and supply of skills.
- Explore options to strengthen labour market information systems in ASEAN member states towards achieving greater labour mobility across ASEAN member states.
- Study and document best practices in assessing labour market needs and employment opportunities, linking with skills requirements of growing industries.
- Identify ways to obtain and use quality labour market information, including skills forecasting to support lifelong learning initiatives.

- Explore ways to enhance the capacities of governments, educational institutions, the business sector and other stakeholders to conduct skills forecasts to promote labour market-oriented education and training.
- Explore effective midels of cooperation or sharing of learning management information between all stakeholders, including the private sector.
- Benchmark the Australian approaches for the workforce to move between the labour market and learning institutions to respond to changes in labour market demand (skills development, re-skilling and up-skilling).

The course is designed for **25 participants** from ASEAN countries, including representatives from governments, TVET training providers, associations and universities with experience and a relevant role in skills forecasting.

Requirements

- You are a citizen of one of these countries: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.
- You have a bachelor's degree or higher qualification.
- You have at least four years' experience working in a relevant role in government, or with a TVET training facility, university or an industry association.
- You have professional working proficiency in English. The applicants' English language
 competency is part of the selection process. The assessment of language competency is based
 on a phone interview and any additional evidence provided by the applicant (proof of studies or
 living in an English-speaking country, working in an English-speaking environment, completion
 of studies in English, language courses or language tests).
- Your supervisor endorses your application.
- You are committed to engage actively and foster networks with multiple stakeholders.
- You are committed to sharing expertise with course participants and disseminating learning from the course with colleagues and peers.

Program Overview

The course will be offered in Australia by leading experts in the sector. The course offers:

- workshops
- training sessions
- panel discussions
- site visits
- social program
- graduation reception
- networking opportunities with Australian specialists and organisations.

Key Dates

Group 1

- Online briefing in December 2023
- Two-week course in Australia on 29 January – 9 February 2024

Group 2

- Online briefing in March 2024
- Two-week course in Australia on 29 April – 10 May 2024

Applications

- Please submit your application by Sunday, 19 November (11:59pm local time) via https://aus4aseanshortcourses.org/id/SkillsForecastingApplication
- Participants will be selected through a competitive process whereby applicants submit:
 - Responses to selection criteria (4 questions)
 - CV outlining their roles and responsibilities in the sector.
- Applicants will be invited to a short phone interview in November 2023.
- Women and people with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Please direct any enquiries to info@queries.aus4aseanshortcourses.org



