



Helsinki University of Technology - UN-HABITAT - UNEP - AIT
in collaboration with

University of Nairobi

Sustainable Communities Course

Bridging the Gap between Research and Action

24th August – 04th September, 2009, NAIROBI, KENYA

Helsinki University of Technology TKK in Finland, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme UN-HABITAT, the United Nations Environmental Programme UNEP and Asian Institute of Technology AIT in Thailand are organizing a high profile two-week continuing education course on Sustainable Communities in collaboration with University of Nairobi in Kenya in 24th August – 4th September, 2009. Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland supports the course.

What is the focus?

Sustainable Communities course aims to bridge the knowledge gap between academia and local and central governments in the field of **sustainable urban planning**. Course focuses on sustainable urbanization giving practical examples and methods how to use city planning as a tool for sustainable development, the main thematic areas being housing, transportation, risk management, local economic development, energy and environmental management.

Course is structured to enhance **communication, professional networking nationally and internationally and exchange of information** between the participants and lecturers. The course is a combination of interactive learning techniques; keynote lectures, case study presentations, dialogue opportunities, field visits and workshops, providing improved understanding and capabilities on sustainable urban planning – know-why, know-what and know-how.

Who should apply?

Sustainable Communities course is indented for experienced **individuals from academia, local and sub-national or central government and civil society with experience in urban planning**. The course welcomes also experts in the fields of architecture, urban planning and engineering from **universities and education centers from North and South**. Applicants should preferably have a recognized university degree, as well as fluency in written and spoken English.

How to apply?

An online application form will be opened on **16th February 2009** on the website provided below. All applicants are asked to provide an abstract of their **personal case study** as part of their application. Case studies will be used as tools for further development and cross-cultural learning experience throughout the course.

The extended deadline for applications is 12th May, 2009.

Fees

For participants from developing countries and countries in transition tuition fee will be 250EUR.

For all other participants the tuition fee will be 700EUR.

Accommodation and travel expenses will be at own cost.

Participants from developing countries and countries in transition can apply for full or partial fellowship to cover accommodation and travel costs (no daily allowances).

For more information:

Course website: <http://global.tkk.fi/Continuingeducation.html>
Course contact person: Ms Matleena Muhonen, TKK, Finland
Email: matleena.muhonen@tkk.fi
Phone at TKK Finland: +358 9 451 4639



HELSINKI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
Lifelong Learning Institute Dipoli

