

About SEARCA's Short-term Training Program (STTP)

The Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) launched its Short-term Training Program (STTP) in 1970 as its fast lane to imbuing Southeast Asian agricultural development and environmental leaders, academicians, researchers, and practitioners with technical and managerial competencies toward built institutional capacities in the region.

In collaboration with various international development organizations and national agencies, SEARCA conducts training programs catered to participants who can create the greatest influence in the agricultural and rural development sector in the region.

It aligns its training programs with current thinking in capacity development and through such programs, SEARCA captures the tacit knowledge of practitioners to contribute to knowledge bases.

To date, the STTP has produced more than 15,000 training alumni from the 11 member countries of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO), which include Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam.



LEARNING EVENTS

July 2018-June 2019

Social Inclusion

Global Farm Tourism Summit (GFTS 2018)

Theme: Managing Climate Risks through Sustainable Farm Tourism

The International School of Sustainable Tourism (ISST) and the Philippine Department of Tourism (DOT), in collaboration with SEARCA and other partners organized this three-day conference with farm visit that highlighted the role of farm tourism in attaining the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals and emphasized farm resilience in the face of changing climate. *(Fee-paying)* <<http://www.isstphilippines.com.ph/events/global-farm-tourism-summit-2018/>>

Date: 17-19 July 2018

Venue: Summit Ridge Hotel, Tagaytay City, Cavite, Philippines



For more information, please visit:

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ACTIVITY	APPLICATION PERIOD
1. Global Farm Tourism Summit (GFTS 2018)	1 May-30 June 2018
2. Reshaping Agriculture and Development in Southeast Asia: An Experts Consultation Forum	15 June-15 July 2018
3. Second National Small and Family Farmers/ New and Beginning Farmers Conference	1-30 August 2018
4. Program Development Workshop on Sustainable Water Resources Management for Food Security in Southeast Asia	1-30 August 2018
5. Mentoring Workshop on Collaborative Research in CCHAM	15 August-15 September 2018
6. Asian Women Leaders' Forum	15 October-15 November 2018
7. Leadership Development Program for Higher Education Institutions in Southeast Asia	15 October-15 November 2018
OTHER LEARNING EVENTS	
1. Writeshop on Policies for Inclusive Value Chains	TBA in 2019
2. Second Value Chain Development Course	TBA in 2019
3. Media Symposium on ISARD Milestones	TBA in 2019
4. Fourth Workshop on Developing Fundable Research Project Proposals (Vietnam)	TBA in 2019



Reshaping Agriculture and Development in Southeast Asia: An Experts Consultation Forum

Organized by SEARCA, this one-day forum distilled from current developments and emerging scenarios the opportunities and challenges for direction-setting and strategizing towards an integrated agenda in agriculture and development in Southeast Asia to proactively address these rapid changes. *(By invitation only)*

Date: 2 August 2018

Venue: SEARCA, Philippines

Second National Small and Family Farmers/ New and Beginning Farmers Conference

SEARCA co-organizes with the MoCA Family Farm RLearning Center and Pamilyang Filipino Farmers Community this two-day conference, which aims to bring together a diversity of stakeholders primarily from the grassroots farming community together with professionals and leaders from academe, non-governmental organizations, government agencies and policy makers. It will include topics and discussion that will support the sustainability of small and family farmers and encourage new and beginning farmers. *(Fee-paying)*

Date: 20-21 September 2018

Venue: SEARCA, Philippines



Other Learning Events

1. Writeshop on Policies for Inclusive Value Chains

SEARCA's counterpart in line with the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)-funded project with the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) and SEARCA titled *Agricultural Transformation and Market Integration (ATMI)*. *(By invitation only)*

2. Second Value Chain Development Course

Second run of the course, building on the interest generated by the first offering and along the thrusts of the current 10th five-year plan. *(Fee-paying)*

3. Media Symposium on ISARD Milestones

A special offering intended to assert to the public the fruits of SEARCA's 10th five-year plan through this symposium for media practitioners in the Philippines and selected Southeast Asian countries. *(By invitation)*

4. Fourth Workshop on Developing Fundable Research Project Proposals (Vietnam)

A staple course addressing the capacity development needs of ARD institutions in Southeast Asia, especially in transition countries. The first offering was a regional workshop and the succeeding offerings were in-country workshops. *(Fee-paying)*

Institutions and Governance

Leadership Development Program for Higher Education Institutions in Southeast Asia

In collaboration with The Head Foundation in Singapore, this five-day executive seminar-workshop will discuss the value of higher education leadership in the context of local contemporary challenges, within the wider context of Southeast Asia and the world, and appropriate solutions tried. Participants will identify and prioritize crosscutting issues that they are addressing and will address in the next few years, with specific focus on the rapidly changing needs of industry and the workplace. *(Fee-paying)*

Date: 21-25 January 2019

Venue: SEARCA, Philippines

Environmental Sustainability



Program Development Workshop on Sustainable Water Resources Management for Food Security in Southeast Asia

The workshop will review current initiatives toward sustainable water resource management for food security in Southeast Asia in order to distill needs and gaps that research and development, capacity building, and knowledge management may address. It hopes to develop a program that could serve as a platform for collaboration across participating institutions and other partners working in Southeast Asia. SEARCA is organizing this workshop in partnership with the College of Engineering and Agro-industrial Technology (CEAT) of the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB). *(Fee-paying)*

Date: 26-28 September 2018

Venue: SEARCA, Philippines



Mentoring Workshop on Collaborative Research in CCHAM

The three-day workshop will mentor 12 research team recipients of the International Foundation for Science (IFS)-SEARCA Collaborative Research Grants for Southeast Asia: Focus on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation. This is the second workshop under the IFS-SEARCA grants program and is being organized with funding from the University of Hohenheim Food Security Center (UHOH FSC). *(By invitation only)*

Date: 20-22 November 2018

Venue: SEARCA, Philippines

Asian Women Leaders' Forum

This three-day conference will tackle women's role in climate change and environment and will have women leaders in ASEAN and Asia. It is seen as part of a series of events that SEARCA's and ISST's publics will look forward to. It will have sub-themes and will be held annually, every December. This year, the theme will focus on community-based health tourism (food safety), community-based sustainable tourism, or water resources. *(Fee-paying)*

Date: 4-6 December 2018

Venue: SEARCA, Philippines

