

# TEMASEK FOUNDATION WATER LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME 2021

(Online Programme)



14 - 25 JUNE 2021  
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**T**he need for good urban water policies, governance and management in Asia is as urgent as ever.

Many cities are unable to deliver the required water services to their population, while at the same time climate change adds another dimension to water insecurity. Large investments are needed, yet government funds are limited and involvement of the private sector in water supply and sanitation has seen mixed results. Governance and regulation are in many places inadequate to deal with the challenging multidimensional and integrated nature of water management and supply. Water as a basic necessity for life permeates through society and economy, and has cultural dimensions as well. Employing this scarce resource to the greatest benefit of urban populations requires strong leadership.

The Temasek Foundation Water Leadership Programme (TFWLP) is developed in collaboration with the Institute of Water Policy (IWP) at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (LKY School) with support from PUB, Singapore's National Water Agency. It aims to meet the needs of water utilities, and to help develop strategies to cope with emerging challenges to their institutional, regulatory, and financial environment. To this end, it brings together water leaders from the public sector for an intensive two-week online executive education programme to learn from water experts, researchers, practitioners, and from one another.

Attendance at the TFWLP involves group participation where each organisation is expected to nominate a team of three senior officials.

## WHAT WILL YOU GAIN

In bringing together this diverse group of water leaders, the aim is to:

- Educate participants on current best practices in water usage and provisions found in Singapore and internationally
- Generate a forum for the transfer of ideas and research between participants, educators, and internationally recognised innovation leaders
- Draw a diverse population of actors, each bringing a unique approach, skill set, and organizational perspectives to water management
- Strengthen leadership capacities for water management and governance in Asia

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Civil servants from national, regional and city government agencies across Asia dealing with urban water policy and large utilities that have policy functions and are in leadership positions. Prospective participants can come from technical and non-technical backgrounds. They are expected to have general proficiency and understanding of the English language, as this will be the medium of instruction.
- Each organisation is to submit a team of three officials consisting of one senior management staff (director level or higher), and two middle management staff (deputy director, senior engineer, etc.).

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## PROGRAMME FOCUS

TFWLP strives to accomplish two goals: first, to provide a space for reflection on participants' own water challenges; and second, to empower practitioners to create their own action plans and acquiring the skills needed to put these into practice.

The programme will address the following issues:

- Principles of effective water policy and integrated water resources management
- Leading policy changes in water sector
- Innovations in water policy and governance for water security
- Transforming the water sector – perspectives of water leaders in Asia
- Public-private partnerships in the water sector
- Water management and public engagement

## EXPECTED OUTPUT FROM PARTICIPANTS

Throughout the programme, participants are expected to work in their groups to develop and continuously refine a Water Action Plan for implementation in their respective organisations. These action plans will be presented and discussed within the group at the end of the programme.

Participating organisations are required to submit the following deliverables within 6 months after completion of programme, upon which the Certificate of Completion will be awarded:

- A final Water Action Plan report outlining challenges and success stories for implementation as well as outreach efforts to cascade programme knowledge among the participating organisation's stakeholders
- A short video recording on the implementation of Water Action Plan

## FEATURED FACULTY

### Eduardo Araral

Associate Professor and Co-Director, Institute of Water Policy, LKY School

### Olivia Jensen

Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Water Policy, LKY School

### Asit Biswas

Visiting Professor, University of Glasgow

### Leong Ching

Vice Provost (Student Life), Dean of Students (Office of Student Affairs), National University of Singapore

Associate Professor, LKY School

### Joost Burman

Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Water Policy, LKY School

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## PROGRAMME FEES

- SGD 500 per team of three officials from the same organisation. This fee will be refunded upon successful submission of project deliverables due 6 months after end of programme.

## APPLICATION

Please e-mail us at [lkysppint@nus.edu.sg](mailto:lkysppint@nus.edu.sg) to register your organisation's interest. In the e-mail, please include the following details:

- Organisation Name
- Details of all 3 Applicants
  - Full name
  - Designation
  - E-mail
  - CV

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

30 April 2021

## ADMISSION

Admission to the TFWLP is subject to review and acceptance by the LKY School. Successful applicants will receive a Letter of Acceptance.

All participants will receive a Letter of Participation upon completion of the two-week programme. A Certification of Completion will be awarded and mailed to all participants upon the completion of the post-programme review form and the submission of their final deliverables.

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