

# RIS-ITEC Programme on SCIENCE DIPLOMACY

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## **ABOUT THE PROGRAMME**

RIS has been conducting capacity building programmes, under the ITEC Programme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, for the participants from ITEC Member countries. These programs are on, inter alia, global trade and economic issues, and South-South Cooperation. In January 2017, RIS initiated a Programme on Science Diplomacy. Thirty participants from twenty-five countries participated in this. The Programme covered many themes, including, various aspects of Science Diplomacy, trends in global science and technology and the growing role of South-South Co-operation in science and technology.

In 2018, RIS will conduct the Programme on Science Diplomacy from 8<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January. The prospective participants in the course will be from civil service, diplomacy and others in such as academia, research, and media, and/or, engaged in science and technology related themes in foreign affairs and/or managing international research projects in science and technology.

## **PROGRAMME CONTENTS AND THEMES**

The course will enable the participants to understand the role of Science Diplomacy in foreign policy and strategy, trends in science and technology and international affairs, and, science and technology and regional and South-South Cooperation.

The course includes lectures, case studies, self study, group discussions and field visits. Background material and resource support for learning will be provided to all participants by RIS. As English is the working language for this programme it is expected that the participants will be able to understand, and communicate in English.

The following themes will be covered in the Program.

- **Science and Technology and International Affairs**
  - **Modalities of Science Diplomacy at Bilateral, Regional and Multilateral Levels**
  - **Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) and Developmental Challenges and Role of Science Diplomacy**
  - **Trade, Investment and Technology**
  - **South-South Cooperation and Science Diplomacy**
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The schedule and other related information will be made available soon.

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## **FACULTY**

The Faculty will be from inter alia, RIS, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), South Asian University, TERI, UN agencies such as UNESCO and UNDP, and international organizations like CABI. Besides these, experts in science diplomacy, diplomats/officials with experience in multilateral negotiations related to science and technology, and expert/policy makers/ regulators from various departments/agencies of Government of India will be associated with this Programme.

The Faculty from RIS will include, Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Prof. S.K. Mohanty, Prof. T.C.James, Dr. T. P. Rajendran, Dr. K. Ravi Srinivas, Dr. Sabyasachi Saha and Dr.Amit Kumar.

## **DURATION**

The Course would be held from **8 January 2018** to **19 January 2018**. Participants are expected to arrive in New Delhi by **7 January 2018**.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- The participants should be Graduates or have a higher qualification with a working knowledge of English.
- The course is open to government officials, diplomats, academicians, researchers and journalists from the developing and transition economies, dealing with international economic and developmental policy issues and/or science, technology and innovation issues, particularly science counselors or attaches dealing with science and technology.
- Applicants should be working in and citizens of the ITEC Member countries. Experience with diplomatic assignments related to science and technology/ Experience with South-South Cooperation (SSC)/North-South Cooperation (NSC) is desirable and this is not an essential qualification for prospective participants.

## **ALLOWANCES**

The Programme covers return travel of the participants between his/her home country India, accommodation, living allowance, book allowance etc., as per the rules governing ITEC/SCAAP Programme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. Further details can be viewed from the ITEC website: [www.itec.mea.gov.in](http://www.itec.mea.gov.in)

## **APPLICATION**

Interested candidates should apply on a prescribed form to the Indian Missions in their home countries, together with a detailed Curriculum Vitae and a brief proposal on how this course could be useful for their work. Application Form can be downloaded from the ITEC website of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India:

<http://www.itec.mea.gov.in/?pdf1325?000>

**Last date for submission of completed Application Forms to Indian Missions/Posts  
abroad:  
31 December 2017**

*Applicants are requested to apply soonest possible since the selection would be based on first-come-first-served-basis for the 30 slots*

*Please check the list of countries and eligibility criteria before applying from ITEC website:  
[www.itec.mea.gov.in](http://www.itec.mea.gov.in) Incomplete applications will be rejected. Please do not send application forms to RIS. They should be submitted to the nearest Indian Missions/Posts in your country.*

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## ABOUT RIS

Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS) is a New Delhi-based autonomous policy research institute that specialises in issues related to international economic development, trade, investment and technology. RIS is envisioned as a forum for fostering effective policy dialogue and capacity-building among developing countries on global and regional economic issues.

The focus of the work programme of RIS is to promote South-South Cooperation and collaborate with developing countries in multilateral negotiations in various forums. RIS is engaged across inter-governmental processes of several regional economic cooperation initiatives. Through its intensive network of think tanks, RIS seeks to strengthen policy coherence on international economic issues and the development partnership canvas.

For more information about RIS and its work programme, please visit its website: [www.ris.org.in](http://www.ris.org.in)



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