

## Capacity Building Programme for Inclusive Green Economy

### **Dear Reader**

This program strengthens national capacity to create an inclusive Green Economy (IGE), which is one of the prerequisites for achieving Agenda 2030. The program covers all the themes of Agenda 2030, with particular focus on Goal 8: Decent working conditions and economic growth. The main objective of the education program is to strengthen low-income countries' capacity for transformation to an inclusive green economy through increased knowledge and application of economic policy instruments, organizational change, and the building of national systems and transparent institutions. As a participant you will get greater understanding, knowledge and ability to critically review and analyze current economic policies and conditions, and identify opportunities for a transitioning towards a green economy. This will strengthen you in your role as change agents within your organization.

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The program will educate officials (primarily economists) in government institutions such as ministry of finance, tax agencies, environmental and energy ministries, agricultural and natural resource authorities and other central government agencies for IGE. The programme strives to achieve an active and strong link to the participants' professional area but also to strengthen the professional exchange between participants, enriching the programme through their different professional and geographical backgrounds. It has a regional focus, aiming to strengthen professional networks both within and between the represented countries.

GMV hereby invite you to nominate candidates.

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## PROGRAMME OBJECTIVE

This program, the Inclusive Green Economy Capacity Building Program, aims at strengthening low-income countries' capacity for conversion to an inclusive green economy (IGE) through increased knowledge and application of economic instruments, organizational change, and building national systems (for Green economy applications in practice) and transparent institutions.

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### Expected results:

#### Individual level

- Increased understanding of IGE and the application of economic instruments
- Increased knowledge of organizational changes
- Expanded international, regional and national networks

#### Organisational level

- Increased capacity for IGE and application of economic instruments
- Increased priority on IGE and economic instruments
- Introduction of IGE / economic instrument projects or support for ongoing processes

#### Institutional level

- Improved cooperation between organizations and sectors in the region / country
- Strengthened conversion to IGE and application of economic instruments

## CONTENT

The program consists of several **themes** within Green Economy. As outlined in the course schedule the programme consists of the following themes:

- Why Inclusive Green economy?
  - What is the rationale for transforming economies?
  - Environmental urgencies; status and trends
  - Market-, policy & inst. Failures; externalities
- Foundations for Inclusive Green economy: Agenda 2030, UNFCCC Climate agreement, etc.
- What is Inclusive Green economy; the Building Blocks
- Budgeting for Green economy: Public environmental Expenditure Review; Public Environmental Revenue Review; Env Fiscal reform; Green Accounting
- Environmental Economic Instruments and approaches: Theory & Practice:
  - Pollution and natural resource taxes; levies, fees, charges; Subsidies; Nudging;
  - Green Public Procurement
  - Green Jobs, and green technologies
  - Information, Rules and Regulations

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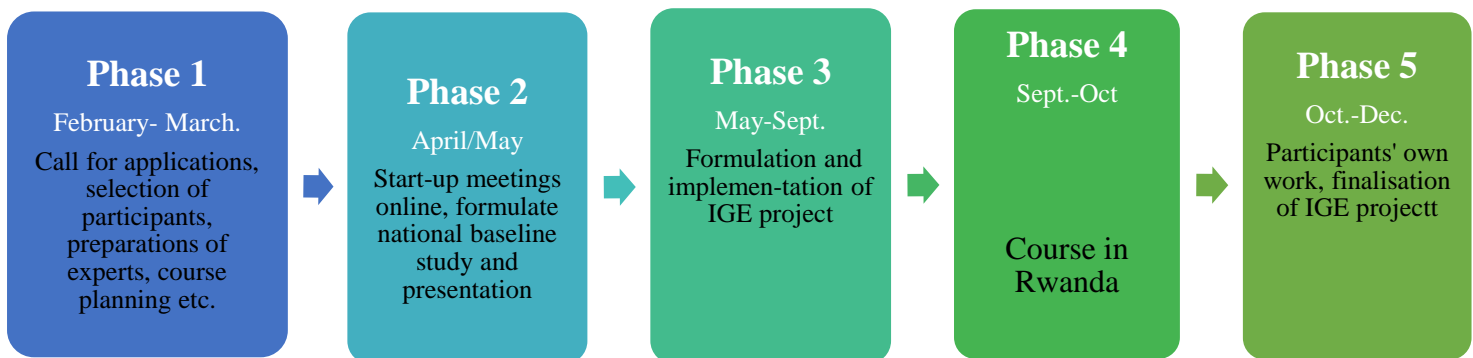
- Empirical experiences with IGE policies: Examples from Swedish and other government agencies' work with Inclusive Green economy; sector examples
- Organisational change for IGE: Cultures; Communication; Management; Current state; Preferred state; Requirements for organisational change to attain IGE objectives
- Institutions, Political Economy & IGE: Institutional Analysis; Governance; Corruption; Social dilemmas, Public participation. and ownership;
- Building National system for IGE: Functions, roles and actors – who does what?
- Planning for Impacts: How to influence planning and decision-making for transformation towards IGE
- Identifying and implementing an IGE project in your government organisation

### The IGE project

The training programme is built around the participants' Integrated Green Economy Projects (IGEPs). The aim of the IGEP is to build on, strengthen, or improve already ongoing IGE work that is within the mandate of the organisation. The focus of the IGEPs depends on the needs of the organisation, to be determined by the participant and her/his colleagues and supervisor.

The IGEP will be initiated at the start of the programme and evolve throughout the 7 months of the programme duration. Each participant will be assigned a mentor, whose role is to provide coaching and advice (on-line and in person) in designing and implementing the IGE. The participant will manage the development and implementation of the IGE and is expected to be motivated for this task. The success of the IGEP will depend largely on the support of and collaboration with the participant's immediate supervisor and colleagues.

### PROGRAMME STRUCTURE



**Phase 1 Planning phase:** In the recruitment and planning phase (Phase 1), invitations, selection and admission of participants take place.

**Phase 2 Preparation phase:** During the preparation phase (Phase 2) mentors will have a joint start-up meeting with participants in each country, where the national mentor is in place while the Swedish mentor is on Skype. During the meeting, participants will get an introduction to the program and its

**Phase 3 Project formulation and implementation:** IGE Project formulation and implementation phase. After mentor's visits, participants are given four months to implement their respective projects.

**Phase 4 Training course:** The scheduled teaching phase is a concentrated training event conducted in the partner country (Rwanda) in the region of the capacity building programme.

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**Phase 5 Finalisation of projects:** In the final phase, participants will complete their projects. Participants will be offered mentoring support via the Internet in this work. This phase ends with a final seminar through an online video conference where all participants and mentors participate.

### **TEACHING**

The programme is designed for the participants to actively involve their own workplace in the IGEP process and base the learning on their own experiences and work context. A range of tools and methods support this learning approach, including group work, discussions, seminars, case studies, study visits and lectures. Participants are expected to actively contribute with their own expertise and experiences. Participants will also manage the IGEP development and implementation throughout the 9 months of the programme duration, with the support and coaching of the programme mentors and peers. The number of participants is limited to 15 in order to ensure a close working relationship between participants, lecturers and mentors. The regional focus enables valuable exchange of experiences between participants, as well as networking within and between the countries represented.

### **MANAGEMENT AND STAFF**

The programme is organised by the Environmental Economics and Policy group at Gothenburg Centre for Sustainable Development (GMV) at the University of Gothenburg and Chalmers University of Technology. The team of lecturers and mentors include Swedish and international experts with extensive experience in their respective fields.

### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

#### **INVITED COUNTRIES**

The following countries are invited to nominate candidates: Ethiopia, Kenya and Rwanda

#### **TARGET GROUP**

The program is an advanced training for professionals, mainly economists, who actively work with policies, programs and plans linked to IGE. In order for the participants to make the most of the education and to have reasonable opportunities to carry out their project work, as well as contribute to a long-term change process in their respective authorities and countries, we set the following requirements for applicants for the program.

Participants shall:

- have the ability and interest to drive development work within the IEG area and real application of economic instruments in policies, plans and/or programs;
- come from ministries or relevant sectoral agencies which have a clear role in developing IGE policy, plans or programs, as strategic planners or decision makers, or have the potential to take a decision-making role in their organization;
- be a key person with a mandate that provides the opportunity to drive change work;
- have an academic degree in economics or similar knowledge acquired in other ways;

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- have a good knowledge of English that enables active and competent participation in words and texts during the education;
- Have the opportunity to actively participate in the entire education program.

Women, being the underrepresented gender, are encouraged to apply to the programme since we strive to obtain a gender balance.

### LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

The training programme will be organised and conducted in English.

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Since much of the programme communication will be handled by e-mail, the applicant must have a well-functioning e-mail address, be an active user of e-mail and have regular, reliable access to the Internet.

Due to the character of the programme, family members are not allowed to accompany participants to the scheduled courses.

### COSTS

Participants are required to find funding for:

- visa fees
- domestic travel
- any local airport taxes and departure fees.

Programme fee, international travel to the scheduled course, accommodation and meals, will be covered by the programme.

TIMETABLE
<p><b>WHERE:</b></p> <p>The scheduled course in Rwanda will be held in Kigali. The venue of the scheduled course will be announced later.</p>
<p><b>WHEN:</b></p> <p>9 September – 20 September, 2019 in Rwanda</p> <p><b>DURATION:</b></p> <p>Approximately 9 months (April 2019 – December 2019)</p>

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APPLICATION PROCESS	
<p>A scanned copy of the application should be submitted by email to the programme organizer at <a href="mailto:emelie.cesar@gu.se">emelie.cesar@gu.se</a> no later than the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March, 2019.</p> <p>A hard copy of the application should be submitted to the programme organizer at the mail address below no later than the 9<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019.</p> <p>Candidates will be notified of the results of the selection in the end of March 2019.</p> <p>Address for submitting hard copy: Emelie César Gothenburg Centre for Sustainable Development, GMV University of Gothenburg Box 170, 405 30 Gothenburg SWEDEN</p>	<p><b>SELECTION PROCESS</b></p> <p>All qualified applicants will be evaluated and a first selection of candidates will be made. The candidates will then be notified by e-mail and must promptly confirm their interest.</p> <p>After this the programme management may conduct interviews with candidates via telephone/Skype. A final selection of 15 participants will be made based on the requirements stated above and the organisation's commitment.</p> <p>Candidates will be notified of the results of the selection in the end of March 2019.</p> <p>A Memorandum of Understanding will be signed by the management of the selected candidates' organisations and the training programme management, to confirm the mutual commitment to the participants' fulfilment of all phases of the training programme.</p>

Closing date for applications:  
➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2019

### ORGANISER

The Centre for Environment and Sustainability (GMV) in Gothenburg, Sweden is a network organisation maintained by Chalmers University of Technology and the University of Gothenburg, which promotes research, education and capacity building for sustainable development. GMV staff have extensive experience from developing countries in the field of integrated environmental economics. We have a broad international network, and experience stretching 20-30 years in the area of environmental economics in a developing country context, with deep theoretical, conceptual as well as practical knowledge and experiences of Green economy in practice.