



Leaders for a Free and Open Indo-Pacific

Sea and Human Security Training for Asia and Pacific Island Countries

**Shimanami Collective
2024 - 2025**

“**Leaders for a Free and Open Indo-Pacific: Sea and Human Security Training**” will provide government officials and leaders in Pacific small island developing states and Asian countries with the skills, knowledge and capacity to enhance **climate, social, economic, food and maritime security** and establish a coordination mechanism across the Pacific.

By the end of the programme, participants will develop and refine policy briefs and individual action plans that address challenges and needs in the Indo-Pacific and enhance regional resilience.

The online and in-person training will run in three phases from **June 2024 – February 2025**. The programme will launch online on **20 June 2024**.

The programme will be delivered in **English**. You will receive a UNITAR certificate of completion if you complete the course and meet minimum criteria.

The programme is free for participants and conducted by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) with the financial support of the Government and the People of Japan.

How to Apply

Please access and complete the **application form** from the below link or scan the QR code.

UNITAR will inform you if you are selected to participate in the programme.

<https://forms.office.com/e/YM1eqLKcbG>



Who Is Eligible?

The programme is open to **motivated government officials and others from the private sector and civil society organizations**, who are:

- Eager to learn and apply new knowledge to enhance sea and human security
- Keen to succeed and make a positive impact on their countries and communities
- Proficient in English
- Computer literate, with access to the internet and an electronic device (e.g. computer, tablet or smartphone)
- Committed to completing the programme

The countries included in this programme are:

Indo-Pacific Islands Countries: Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu. **Asia:** Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, Timor-Leste.

What Is The Programme Structure?

The programme will run in three phases:

For **Phase I**, **400 motivated leaders and government officials from the public and private sectors** will enrol in a self-paced online course to study general topics relating to sea and human security. Participants will also join webinars and have access to supplemental resources.

In **Phase II**, **160 selected participants will be invited to a regional in-person workshop in Fiji (Pacific cohort) and Indonesia (Asian cohort)**. Participants will receive mentoring and coaching to refine their projects while enhancing their leadership and teamwork skills.

Phase III will invite **50 top performers from Phase II** to an in-person workshop in Japan, consisting of study tours, lectures and discussions with Japanese institutions, private companies and entrepreneurs. Top six teams will be selected as **“UNITAR Shimanami Masterminds 2024”** and invited to make final pitches at the conference.



What Will You Learn?

By the end of the programme, you will be able to:

- Discuss the general concept and international and regional frameworks related to sea and human security
- Outline the role of governments, intergovernmental organizations, and NGOs in policy formation and implementation
- Detail the sea and human security in the context of the Pacific and Asia
- Discuss Blue Economy and strategies for promoting economic resilience and inclusive growth
- Identify the strategies for mitigating and adapting to climate-related threats in maritime environments
- Understand ways to address food insecurity through marine conservation, aquaculture and agricultural initiatives
- Identify environmental threats and conservation efforts of marine environment
- Outline the importance of international cooperation in ensuring sea and human security
- Examine the diplomatic, legal, and institutional frameworks for fostering collaboration among maritime stakeholders
- Display leadership, teamwork and communication skills
- Discuss Japan's experience with sea and human security

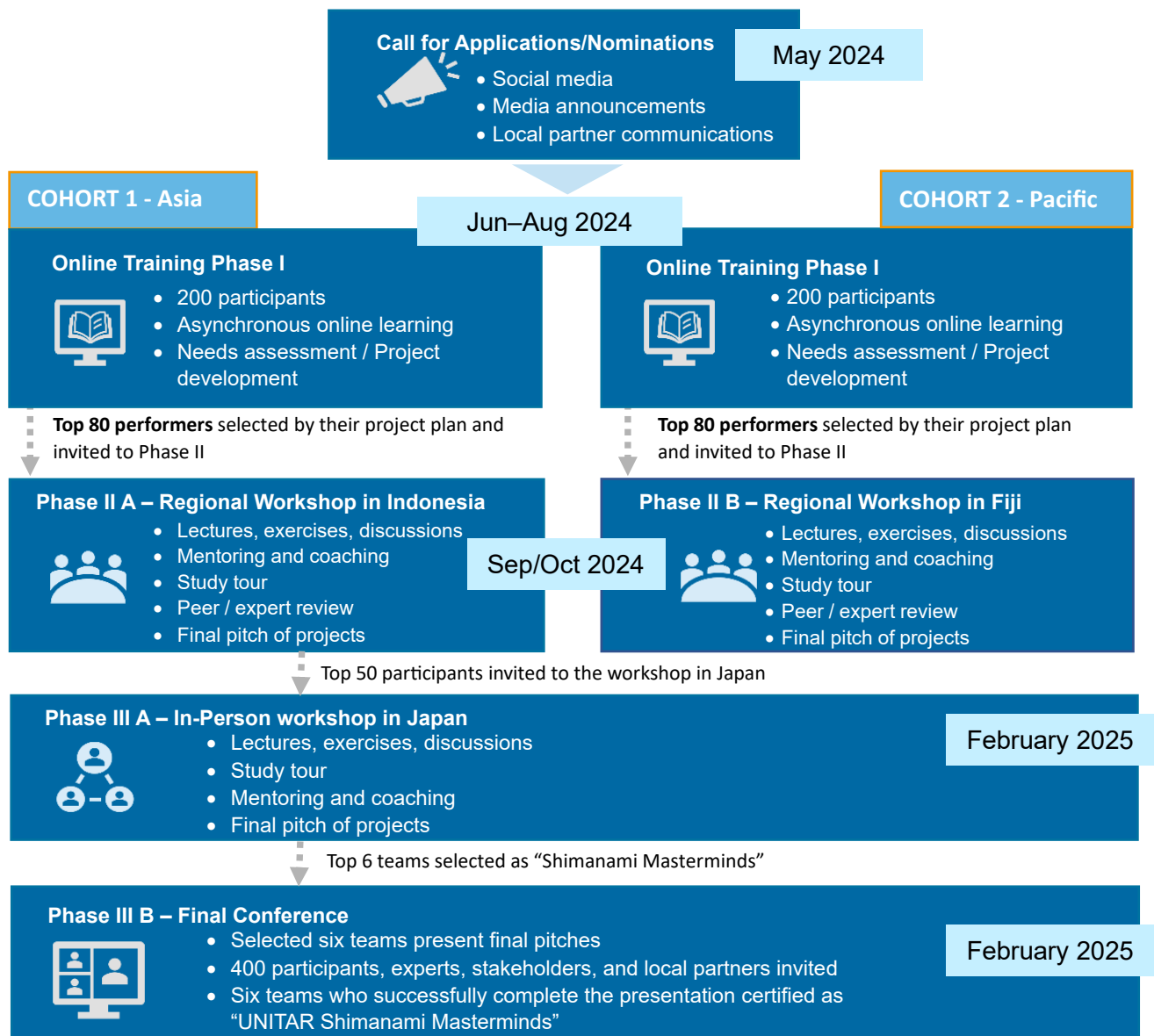


What Is The Programme Schedule?

Note: This schedule is tentative and subject to change

The training programme will take place in three phases from **June 2024 – February 2025**. The programme will launch online on **21 June 2024**. You will be expected to dedicate approximately **2 – 4 hours per week** to fully take part in the programme.

May-June 2024	Initiation	Call for nominations/applications
June-Aug 2024	Phase I	Online training
10-19 Sep 2024 (Jakarta)		In-person workshops in Indonesia for Asian countries, in Fiji for the Pacific countries
1-10 Oct 2024 (Nadi)	Phase II	
10-24 February 2025	Phase III A	In-person workshop in Japan
February 2025	Phase III B	Final pitch event (In-person/online)



About UNITAR

United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) was established in 1963 as an autonomous body within the United Nations and is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland. As a training arm of the United Nations system, UNITAR provides innovative learning solutions to individuals, organizations and institutions to enhance global decision-making and support country-level action for shaping a better future. UNITAR designs and conducts some 500 different global training activities per year for more than 133,000 participants. Our alumni include diplomats and other government officials, non-governmental representatives, and local authorities.

The Division for Prosperity is one of the eight divisions of UNITAR and consists of the Trade and Finance Programme Unit and the Hiroshima Office. We offer cutting-edge training and learning opportunities that promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

UNITAR Prosperity has extensive expertise in developing and delivering training on entrepreneurship and leadership in conflict and post-conflict countries. Empowering leaders in marginalized communities for many years, the Division has a unique understanding of the needs of participants as they work towards peace and stability.

Contact

For queries and questions regarding the programme, please contact us at UNITAR-SeaSecurity@unitar.org

500

 Trainings

500 different trainings are conducted worldwide each year.

50+

 Experience

Established in 1963, UNITAR has more than 50 years of experience in diplomatic training.

80,000

 Trained

More than 80,000 participants took part in UNITAR training.

