

# RSAT Training of Facilitators



The Mekong River Commission (MRC), in cooperation with GIZ, is seeking experienced water sector professionals to participate in a Training of Facilitators for the application of the Rapid Basin-wide Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Tool (RSAT). The MRC's Initiative on Sustainable Hydropower has been trialing and piloting the RSAT for years and, alongside its partners, has identified the need for facilitators with regional experience and language skills to conduct future assessments. Upon completion of the training, successful candidates will be able to effectively facilitate multi-stakeholder dialogue processes surrounding issues of sustainable hydropower and RSAT, including as part of Cumulative Impact Assessments (CIA) and Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEA).

## What does the ToF entail?

The training will be delivered in three one-week modules (September 2016, January 2017 and April 2017) at various training sites throughout the region and will comprise both technical and methodological content on RSAT and dialogue facilitation. The modules are separated by three-month intervals during which participants carry out home-based tasks. Over the course of one year, candidates will spend up to 30 days to complete the training.

## What are the costs of the ToF?

All costs of the training will be covered by GIZ. Candidates will be required to pay for travel to and from the training sites. Bursaries are available for those who require financial assistance.

## Successful applicants will fulfill the following requirements:

- Resident of one of the Mekong countries (Cambodia, China, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam)
- Fluency in English and at least one regional language
- University degree in a subject that covers at least one of the RSAT topic areas, e.g. civil or electrical engineering, hydrology, environment, sociology, economics
- At least 5 years of experience in at least three of the RSAT topic areas
- Demonstrated understanding of RSAT principles and approach
- Experience in leading and facilitating training courses and/or workshops, or in mediation, negotiation and multi-stakeholder dialogue
- Commitment to contribute to the further development and promotion of RSAT
- Experience in the application of RSAT or the International Hydropower Association (IHA) Protocol, or as a trainer within the Network on Sustainable Hydropower (NSHD-M) would be an advantage

Women are strongly encouraged to apply.

## How to apply:

Please send your CV and letter of motivation to [rsat@mrcmekong.org](mailto:rsat@mrcmekong.org) by **27 June 2016**. The letter of motivation should demonstrate (1) your understanding of the RSAT principles and approach, (2) why you would be an effective RSAT facilitator, and (3) how you hope to contribute to the future application, development and promotion of RSAT. Selected candidates will be required to attend a two-day preliminary workshop in Vientiane, Laos, on **4 and 5 July 2016**. The cost of attending this workshop will be covered by GIZ.

For more information about the RSAT Training of Facilitators, please refer to the accompanying Guide for Applicants.

## What is RSAT?

The Rapid Basin-wide Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Tool (RSAT) was jointly developed by the MRC, WWF and ADB and is a multi-stakeholder dialogue and assessment tool designed to consider hydropower sustainability issues in a river basin context. GIZ has been supporting the development and promotion of this tool as part of the MRC-GIZ Cooperation Programme.

For more information, click [here](#).

