



RIPESS Asia/ASEC SSE Course
*Revitalizing Community Partnership for
Sustainable Development*
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Intro to RIPESS Asia/ASEC

RIPESS Asia/ASEC - Asian Solidarity Economy Council

- continental network in Asia of RIPESS
- convenor of the Asian Solidarity Economy Forum
- leading resource center on SSE in Asia
- chapters/focal points in Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines & Thailand
- works with ILO-PARDEV & ILO Local Devt & Social Economy

RIPESS: Reseau Intercontinental de Promotion de l'Economie Social Solidaire

- the global network of SSE (social & solidarity economy)
- accredited by the UN Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS)
- member of the International Leading Group on SSE
- observer status with the UN Task Force on SSE (UNTFSSSE) and UNCTAD

Objectives - The SSE Course aims to:

- enhance the transformation of mindsets & strengthen the capabilities of leaders, managers, and workers of MSMEs (micro, small & medium enterprises) in addressing the 5Ps of sustainable development agenda (people, planet, prosperity, peace, and partnership) by instilling SSE principles and practices;
- facilitate the development of solidarity, cooperation & concerted action on common but differentiated responsibilities among various stakeholders within & across countries; and
- help broaden the network of SSE stakeholders in Asia.

At the end of the course, participants shall develop the contents of a training course or seminar on SSE which they could offer to partners in their respective countries.

Thematic topics

The course is built around five thematic topics:

- core values and principles of SSE
- financing arrangements for solidarity-based community enterprises (SBCEs)
- arrangements for market access
- developing SBCE integrated value chains; and
- analysis of performance of SBCEs (with field exposure visit).

Learning Methodology

The Course shall adopt a shared learning approach where resource persons and learners can learn from each other.

The dialogue between resource persons and learners shall be enhanced through exposure to live cases. Resource persons & learners will reflect on the realities on the ground vis-à-vis their thoughts and experiences.

Reflections from the field will inform the discourse on appropriate structure, contents and methodology of training course, seminar & advisory services that may be formulated by participants for the benefit of partners in their respective countries.

Finally, resource persons & the learners shall work together to develop a resource sharing program under the principles of south-south & triangular cooperation (SSTC)

Schedule of Sessions'

Day 1. Self-introduction of participants, introduction to the course, session rules, daily schedule. Discussion of three thematic topics: core values & principles of SSE, market access, and financing arrangements.

Day 2 Introduction to the field exposure visit and to two SSE cases. Participants will form two groups, each group with a different case to study.

Day 3. Field visit & analysis of cases studied

Day 4 Introduction & discussions on integration of SBCE value chains. Preparation of proposals for SSE course/ seminar to be offered to partners in home countries. These activities shall form part of the RIPESS Asia/ASEC South-South & Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) Program, and contribute towards the build-up to the ILO SSE Academy 2017 to be held in Manila in conjunction with the ASEAN Summit 2017.

Day 5 Sharing of proposals. Special session with the ASEAN-Philippines Affairs Office and launching of the RIPESS Asia/ASEC SSTC Program.

Course Fee (payable in check or cash to ASEC)

Filipino participants: Php 2,500.00 per person

Foreigners: US\$500 per person

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