

Additional information about the Assignment

Each applicant organisation shall formulate an Assignment that will be carried out by the participant during the course of the training. The assignment shall be related to the programme objectives, have an orientation towards change and capacity development and reflect issues that are of concern for the participant's organisation.

The Assignment plays a central role in translating the training programme's theoretical content into capacity development and institutional change. The intention is that the theme of each Assignment shall meet the needs of the participating organisations, as well as form a basis for climate change mitigation or adaptation.

Cooperation between participants and organisations is encouraged

In order for climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts to gain momentum, Sida and SMHI encourage organisations to send several participants to the programme. Ideally the work accomplished by the participants in one round of the programme, will be pursued by participants from the same organisation following rounds, thus leading to a process of change.

Organisations that coordinate their proposed Assignment(s) with those suggested by other organisations will also have an advantage, and increase the chances of being selected. Examples of cooperation could be e.g. National Meteorological Service working together with Ministry of Agriculture, or a University working together with a Ministerial Department of Health and Civil Society Organisations.

Application

An outline of the Assignment shall be submitted together with the application form, and plays a key role in the selection of participants. Organisations that can show how the Assignment will be incorporated after the formal end of the programme will have an advantage.

A 1-2 pages outline of the Assignment shall be submitted together with the application form, including the following headlines:

1. Title of the Assignment
2. Background (including target group and role of your organisation)

3. Objective and expected impact
4. Work plan (including specific tasks and estimated dedication in time during phase 4)
5. Plan forward (including how will lessons learned from the Assignment be incorporated in your organisation)

Planning and realisation of the Assignment

After confirmed selection each participant will be assigned an advisor at SMHI or its partners.

At the start-up seminar in the participant's home region each participant shall give a short presentation of the Assignment outline. Time will also be dedicated to group discussions and finding synergies.

During the period in Sweden the participant will develop a work plan and discuss ways to complete her/his particular Assignment with support from the advisor. After the training in Sweden the participant will have 6-8 months to realise the Assignment and prepare a presentation to be held at the regional follow-up seminar.

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