



Training and certification on multi-actor platforms

September 2024 - March 2025

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Program overview

The immense challenges facing natural resource management, livelihood security and economic development in rural areas require collaboration among government, civil society, community, and private sector actors.

Strengthening multi-stakeholder engagement as an innovative institutional governance approach can help drive strategic coordinated action on the Commons. This is key to addressing challenges around climate, conservation, community resilience and the revitalization of rural economies.

FES and CoRe are conducting an intensive program that combines periods of orientation, self-study, field implementation, reflection, peer exchange and coaching, leading to certification in facilitation of multi-stakeholder engagement, designing and strengthening multi-actor platforms, and cross-scale systems leadership.

Key dates:

- Application closing date: **10th July 2024**
- Selection process: **10th July – 26th July**
- Cohort runs: September 2024 to March 2025
 - Commencement workshop: **10th to 14th September 2024**
 - Monthly virtual sessions: **5:00 to 7:00 pm, every second Tuesday, October 2024 - February 2025**
 - Consolidation workshop: **3rd to 5th March 2025**

Key topics include

- Principles of **multi-stakeholder engagement** and their application to multi-sectoral challenges
- Designing effective multi-actor platforms for collaborative action including advancing **gender equity** and inclusion of marginalized groups in governance
- Monitoring and adapting practices to influence **policy reform** and institutional strengthening
- Developing **personal leadership** and organizational preparedness needed to contribute to these broader systems change at multiple levels
- Pathways to make systems change leadership more **accessible** to growing numbers of colleagues and practitioners

Structure

- **4 modules** over 6 months: **72 hours** total session time
- **8 days in-person sessions:** 5 days in the beginning and 3 days at end of program
- **5 virtual sessions:** 2 hours per session, with an expected additional time commitment of 10 hours per month, including small group and individual assignments
- **20 participants** in a cohort
- Participants are required to attend all in-person sessions; travel, boarding and lodging support provided for in-person sessions
- Participants will be evaluated for certification based on active participation in mandatory sessions and in-person workshop, timely completion of program requirements, demonstration of fulfillment of learning outcomes, and peer assessment of demonstrated capabilities

Selection Criteria

We're seeking those with:

- **Past experience** over 3-5 years working to advance multi-actor platforms or partnerships, and readiness to share this experience
- **Eagerness** to critically reflect on own experience, engage colleagues in probing debate, and apply creativity to
- **Commitment** to participate in all sessions and complete all practice assignments and reflections, and to contribute to refining content of the training program for future rounds

We also aim for **diversity** in the cohort, with a majority of women, and a balance among regions, levels of responsibility and types of experience.

Confirmed applicants will also be required to provide **endorsements** by their organizations to encourage wider dissemination and adoption.

About the organisers

About CoRe: Collaborating for Resilience is an international, non-profit, entrepreneurial change initiative working to address resource competition, and strengthen governance and livelihood resilience in interconnected resource domains and landscapes, including agricultural lands, forests, fisheries, inland waterways, and coastal zones.

About FES: The Foundation for Ecological Security (FES) works toward conservation of land, forest, and water resources through collective action of local communities, through ecological restoration, and securing livelihoods that are dependent on natural resources.

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