THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES IS AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF THE EMERGING NEW SYSTEM OF ‘GOVERNANCE.’ MORE IMPORTANT THAN TERRITORY, NATURAL RESOURCES OR CAPITAL: MORE BLATANTLY SO IN THE OCEAN THAN ANYWHERE ELSE; FOR OCEAN MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION IS BASED ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, IN OUR CENTURY AND THE NEXT, ARE KNOWLEDGE BASED.«

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THEIOI HAS TRAINED YOUNG PROFESSIONALS IN OCEAN GOVERNANCE FOR ALMOST 50 YEARS

In order to meet the demand for these new skills and knowledge, IOI specialises in the training of young professionals in Ocean Governance, particularly from developing countries and countries in transition. Since 1981, nearly 2,000 young professionals from more than 110 countries have successfully graduated from an IOI Training Course, becoming country leaders, ministers, ambassadors, scientists, politicians, UN negotiators, and key personnel of administrations, academia, and civil society organisations.

THE IOI EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUND TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF OCEAN LEADERS

The need for motivated and skilled Ocean Leaders is greater than ever, and so is the demand from governmental, public, private, philanthropic and academic institutions for training in Ocean Governance. In order to expand its offerings, the IOI has developed the Education and Training Fund (ETF) as a means to join forces with like-minded and responsible organisations striving for capacity development and supporting training and education in Ocean Governance. Funding received through the IOI ETF will go directly toward scholarships for eligible applicants for any of the IOI’s Training Courses offered world-wide, or the Master of Arts in Ocean Governance at the University of Malta. Additional matched IOI resources are used to expand urgently needed IOI Programmes globally.

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OUR OCEAN IS OUR FUTURE

We need a healthy ocean to survive. But our ocean is in trouble, and so are we. By educating and empowering a new generation of Ocean Leaders, the IOI Training Courses in Ocean Governance enable young professionals to acquire the skills and knowledge needed to sustainably manage coastal and ocean resources, today and for a changing future.

A BASIC REQUIREMENT FOR CHANGE IS GOOD OCEAN GOVERNANCE

The ocean and its ecosystems are changing and while science can teach us more, we know enough already about their impacts on the environment and society to take action. The most critical issue now is to effectively pass on the latest available knowledge on these challenges and potential solutions to those who can take action and make a real difference. This transfer of ocean knowledge and governance skills is particularly required in developing countries and countries in transition.

Enthusiastic, ambitious, and skilled individuals, acting individually and collectively, can initiate positive outcomes on Ocean agendas and be trained to apply good ocean governance principles and instruments. These Ocean Leaders will be competent in sustainably managing the human/ocean interaction and effective in implementing efficient Ocean Governance on all levels.

SUPPORT THE IOI IN TRAINING OCEAN LEADERS OF TODAY FOR THE OCEAN OF TOMORROW

Partners supporting the IOI ETF contribute to overcoming a crucial shortfall in sustainable and holistic ocean governance: the lack of suitably trained young professionals having the knowledge and skills to tackle ocean threats holistically, to manage the ocean-human relations sustainably, and additionally, to implement the UN 2030 Agenda and its Sustainable Development Goals.

INSTITUTIONALIZED OCEAN GOVERNANCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Another way to support the creation of future Ocean Leaders is through focusing financial contributions to the IOI ETF on the creation and support of new regular IOI Training Courses within national academic and scientific institutions. Such an IOI Training Centre and its hosting institution could be the conduit for capacity development activities in Ocean Governance and ocean literacy thus supporting and institutionalizing cross-sectoral, inter-disciplinary international training in Ocean Governance to the benefit of people and governments of less developed coastal nations and countries in transition.

BENEFITS TO IOI ETF PARTNERS

- The IOI is a not-for-profit NGO and its Ocean Governance Training and Capacity Development initiatives are imple-mented on an at-cost basis;
- The ETF enables donors to quick-start with an established, relevant, standardized multi-regions capacity development suite of programmes to support the implementation of the SDGs (particularly SDG 14);
- The IOI is a professional, experienced, accountable and well-connected partner with an international portfolio of training programmes and a global network of expert faculty;
- IOI’s efficient and transparent administrative structures facilitate effective training delivery and management; the IOI’s outreach channels ensure that donor support is well documented and publicised;
- ETF funds may be focussed to support candidates matching donor criteria: e.g. regional distribution, SIDS, LDCs, countries in transitions, gender and/or disciplines;
- Donors to the ETF may contribute towards control of IOI ETF activities through participation in the ETF Steering Group;
- Financial engagement is clearly specified in terms of time and volume;
- Synergies from networking with the IOI and other partners;
- The ETF ensures the creation of a network of empowered ocean leaders within target communities.

IOI TRAINING PROGRAMME Portfolio

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

- Post Graduate Degree: Masters of Art in Ocean Governance; with the Faculty of Laws of the University of Malta
- Ocean Governance: Policy, Law & Management

REGIONAL PROGRAMMES

- Regional Ocean Governance for the Mediterranean, Black, Baltic & Caspian Seas
- Ocean Governance Training Programme for Africa
- Sustainable Development & Governance of the Caspian Sea
- Ocean Governance for the Western Pacific Region
- Regional Ocean Governance Framework, Implementation of UNCLOS and its Related Instruments in the SE Asian Seas & the Indian Ocean
- Ocean Governance, Ocean Sciences & Geoethics

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