

# 2024-2025 TRAINING OFFERINGS & LEARNING EVENTS



## Research Transition and Leadership for Mid-Career Researchers Workshop (with ISTIC UNESCO) October 2024 to May 2025 | Hybrid

The program aims to empower mid-career researchers with skills, support, and opportunities necessary to navigate this crucial stage in their careers effectively and make meaningful contributions to their fields. The training includes building comprehensive leadership skills, instilling ethical research leadership, and promoting collaboration and societal impact. It will have three phases: Phase 1 is an online onboarding session (October 2024), Phase 2 is an onsite workshop at SEARCA, Philippines (November 2024), and Phase 3 is another onsite workshop at ISTIC, Malaysia (May 2025).

### Topics

Leadership essentials, ethical research leadership, strategic planning and project management, collaboration and networking, work-life balance and well-being, development communication

### Target Participants

Mid-career researchers, encompassing individuals with 10 to 20 years of service or aged 40 to 50, holding administrative roles such as heads of departments or equivalent positions within higher education institutions in the Global South and developing countries



## REGULAR EVENTS

### SEARCA Online Learning and Virtual Engagements (SOLVE)

Bi-annual via Zoom and Facebook Live

SOLVE provides an avenue of knowledge sharing on concrete innovative actions on the ground along SEARCA's 11th Five-Year Plan via technology-mediated platforms (Facebook, Zoom, etc.) for various stakeholders of Southeast Asian agriculture.

### Agriculture and Development Seminar Series (ADSS)

Quarterly at SEARCA Headquarters, Los Baños, Philippines

The SEARCA ADSS encourages the presentation and discussion of development and research issues, as well as their implications for agricultural and rural development. It aims to contribute to a vibrant scientific exchange within, and even beyond, the Los Baños Science Community.

Interested in partnering or participating in any of our training and events? Please contact **Dr. Nova Ramos**, Head, Education and Collective Learning Department-Training for Development Unit (ECLD-T4DU):

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## SEARCHA Agri-Innovator Program (AIP) November to December 2024 | Hybrid

The AIP is a non-formal short-term training program that delves into agricultural innovation space using a human-centric approach with actual scenarios and processes that work not just in theory, but in actual practice as well. Participants are segmented into the ideation stage or Minimum Viable Product (MVP) stage.



### Topics

Design thinking, business model canvass, forming the founding team, legal and regulatory compliances, income forecasting/projection, bootstrapping vs infusing capital

### Target participants

Students (senior/graduating BSc students, MS/PhD students, or recent graduates) of public and private HEIs with thesis topics related to agricultural innovation; Researchers or extension workers of public or private HEIs; Staff of non-government or private organizations working on agricultural innovation

## Leadership Development Program for Higher Education Institutions in Southeast Asia (LDP-HEIs in SEA) February to April 2025 | Hybrid

The LDP-HEIs in SEA is a hybrid program that aims to build the capacity of Southeast Asian HEI leaders with the relevant skills and knowledge needed to effectively lead thriving and resilient universities in the region. Sessions include keynote addresses from renowned HEI leaders and one-on-one coaching sessions with thought leaders in HEI management and leadership.

### Topics

SWOT analysis, change management, leadership and change, innovative teaching and learning

### Target participants

Top administrators, faculty deans/department heads, and other university leaders of HEIs in Southeast Asia who are at least a master's degree holder

## Training-Workshop on Transformational Agricultural Innovation Systems for the New Future (TrAInS) May 2025 | Onsite at SEARCHA

TrAInS aims to engage the participants in analyzing the challenges facing agriculture and in developing collaborative and transformative programs for agricultural development. In doing so, participants could propose innovative programs that may positively impact their agricultural innovation systems.

### Topics

Agricultural innovation systems, governance framework for innovation systems, youth engagement, scenario building and program planning

### Target participants

Mid-to senior-level Southeast Asian professionals in research and extension from HEIs, government agencies/ministries, NGOs, farmers organizations/cooperatives, private sector, and other civil society groups



## Executive Program for Leaders in Asian Agriculture and Development (LAAD) : Focus on Southeast Asia May to June 2025 | Hybrid

This executive course aims to level up agriculture leaders in Southeast Asian countries with the skills and knowledge to be pro-active leaders by providing updates on selected contemporary issues in agriculture and food deemed important to the region, and to impart skills to lead strategy and innovation.

### Topics

Contemporary issues in the agrifood and agriculture development landscape, leading in strategy development, leading in innovation processes

### Target participants

Leaders in national agriculture, fisheries, and rural development agencies; leaders from private sector entities, statutory bodies, HEIs, and civil society

