

PROFESSIONAL FELLOWS PROGRAM

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INTRODUCTION TO THE PROGRAM

The International City/County Management Association (ICMA), with funding from the [U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs](#), offers the Professional Fellows Program – an opportunity for young professionals from Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam to learn about environmental sustainability through a four-week fellowship with U.S. host organization.

Fellows are part of the [Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative \(YSEALI\)](#), a program that strengthens leadership development and networking in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), deepens engagement with young leaders on key regional and global challenges, and strengthens people-to-people ties between the United States and young Southeast Asian leaders.

This is a reciprocal exchange. Selected hosts will have the opportunity to nominate a staff member to travel for two weeks to a Southeast Asian community post-program to deliver technical assistance and consultation to complement the work done on the international fellows' community challenges.

PROGRAM TIMELINE

The international fellows will travel to the U.S. on the following dates:

- YSEALI Fellows will be placed in host communities in the fall and summer.

In addition, U.S. Fellows (nominated by your organization) may travel abroad for a one week as a reciprocal fellow. More information about the reciprocal exchange will be provided at a later date.

QUESTIONS

Thank you for your time in completing this form. U.S. hosts will be matched with fellow(s) depending on professional interest and capacity. For questions, please contact fellows@icma.org.

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[PLEASE SUBMIT COMPLETED FORMS TO FELLOWS@ICMA.ORG](mailto:fellows@icma.org)

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR TECHNICAL AREA OF EXPERTISE

- Environmental Urban Planning (including green space, parks management)
- Disaster Risk Mitigation and Management/Resilient Communities
- Marine Conservation
- Mining
- Natural Resource Management
- Urban Farming
- Eco-Tourism
- Public Health
- Flood Control
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Solid Waste Management
- Forest Management/Deforestation
- Recycling
- Food Security
- Renewable Energy
- Water Quality
- Wastewater Treatment and Management
- Other

Please Specify:

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name:	
Email:	Phone Number:
Organization Name:	
Organization Address:	
Previous Host? [Type yes/no and which season (e.g. Fall/Spring) and year]	
Nearest airport:	
Number of Fellows: [Type the maximum number of fellows you would be interested in hosting]	
Recommended Hotels:	

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

Please describe your vision and plan for a four-week long fellowship for YSEALI Professional Fellows and highlight your business's technical expertise in environmental sustainability. In addition, please include any intended cultural enrichment activities (i.e. field trips or community wide events) and a plan to stay engaged with fellows after the completion of the program.

**Travel, accommodations, and a stipend for meals and incidentals for the fellows are covered by the program. Although there are no fees associated with hosting fellows, there is a cost share/in-kind contribution competent. This may include in-kind labor hours by your staff to plan, manage, and implement this program. You may also choose (but are not required) to include a cost share contribution of direct expenses such as ground transportation.*