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**SEAMEO INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME FOR SOUTHEAST ASIANS**

To: Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Divisions/City Superintendents

1. The Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) announces the SEAMEO Internship Programme for Southeast Asians (SIPSA).
2. The goals of this programme are to:
  - a. promote peace and understanding among SEAMEO member countries through exposure in cross-cultural environments; and
  - b. improve the employment capabilities of the youth in the region.
3. Expected participants are graduates from accredited universities, colleges or technical/vocational schools in Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, and Thailand.
4. The qualifications, other requirements, stages and the areas of specialization are stated in the enclosure. For application forms e-mail: [secretariat@seameo.org](mailto:secretariat@seameo.org) and for further information, please contact: The Director, SEAMEO Secretariat, Mon Luang Pin Mlakul Centenary Building, 920 Sukhumvit Road, Bangkok 10110, Thailand, tel. no. +66 (0) 2391-0144, fax no. +66 (0) 2381-2587.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS**  
Secretary

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Encl.: As stated  
Reference: None  
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To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

**SOCIETY OR ORGANIZATION  
TRAINING PROGRAMS**

## **SEAMEO-INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME FOR SOUTHEAST ASIANS (SIPSA)**

### **Fields of Internship**

1. Brunei Darussalam – Petroleum and Gas Industry, College Teaching, Librarianship, Nursing Services
2. Indonesia – Agriculture, Automotive Industries
3. Malaysia – Automotive (PROTON) and Information Technology
4. Philippines – Agriculture, Vocational and Technical Education and Information Technology
5. Thailand – Agriculture, Nursing, Automotive, Tourism, Electronics and Information Technology

### **Qualifications**

1. A university, college or technical/vocational school diploma
2. A national of a SEAMEO member country between the ages of 19 and 30 who is unemployed or underemployed
3. Basic Knowledge of English
4. Maturity and social stability
5. Sensitive to cross – cultural situations
6. Good health and resilience
7. Openness to learning
8. Prior knowledge of host country is an advantage
9. Has clear and concise career path plan or job search strategy

### **Other Requirements**

1. Assume the cost of travel related expenses, such as airfare, visa, passport, etc.
2. Obtain proper health and medical coverage
3. Provide the SEAMEO Secretariat with information concerning hi/her employment for a period of three years after completing the internship

### **Stages**

1. *Pre – Internship Stage* – Upon acceptance, interns attend a brief orientation programme at the respective Ministries/Department of Education of their origin.
2. *Overseas Assignment* – For six months, host institutions/organizations will provide interns a monthly allowance of US\$150 and facilitate attachments to the institution where the interns will be assigned. Both the intern and the host will design and develop the programme of activities based on the interns' needs.
3. *Monitoring and Evaluation* – Evaluation will be conducted through observation surveys and interviews, including peer evaluation, intern evaluation by the mentors and intern's evaluation of the programme.
4. *Job Search Support Period* – Interns will be awarded a certificate of completion and an assessment report, including recommendations to possible employment opportunities. They will also be considered for short-term contract jobs.

### **Areas of Specialization**

1. Tropical Biology
2. History and Tradition
3. Educational Innovation and Technology
4. Education in Science and Mathematics
5. Language
6. Educational Management
7. Higher Education
8. Distance and Open Learning
9. Archeology and Fine Arts
10. Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture
11. Vocational and Technical Education and Training
12. Community Nutrition
13. Microbiology, Parasitology and Entomology
14. Public Health
15. Tropical Medicine