MASHAV - Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation

MCTC – MASHAV Carmel Training Center

Invites professionals to participate in the

International Course on:

Education for Climate Resilience and Environmental Sustainability

March 31 – April 12, 2027

Haifa, Israel

About the Course

Background

Education plays a vital role in achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), empowering school students to become active participants in global sustainability efforts and preparing them to lead future initiatives for a more sustainable world. This program focuses on integrating climate and environmental literacy into school curricula, enabling educators to cultivate climate-conscious and environmentally responsible students from early childhood through adolescence. Education is the key to unlocking the potential of these goals, equipping young people to lead the way toward a more sustainable and resilient future for all.
Facing a range of climate-related challenges, Israel offers valuable practical experience in school-based climate education, having integrated climate change education into its national curriculum from kindergarten through secondary school in 2022. Its experience in interdisciplinary teaching, teacher training, Green Schools certification, and student-led environmental projects provides practical approaches and educational models for both local and national contexts.

MASHAV through its affiliate MCTC, facilitates the sharing of Israel's experience and best practices, knowledge, and expertise in the field of education about climate resilience and environmental sustainability development.

The professional program

This course offers a unique blend of theory and practice, ensuring that educators are well prepared to inspire meaningful action for global sustainability within their schools and communities. The course content will be tailor made to participants' profile and interests, sharing Israel's added value on the topic. MCTC methodology incorporates a strongly hands-on approach, based on observation visits, case studies presented by participants from their own work experience and problem solving through simulation exercises. The course will include lectures and workshops led by experts from the relevant Ministries as well as civil society organizations and Academia. Short tours to explore history and culture will be incorporated into the professional program of the course.

Aims

Through an interactive learning approach, as well as through introductory lectures, professional study visits, observations, workshops, and discussions, participants will:

- Gain knowledge about the policy and practice of the multidisciplinary field of education for school-aged students in Israel, focusing on climate resilience and environmental sustainability.
- Explore the evolution of environmental education in Israel and discover the various models implemented within the educational system.
- Develop a deeper understanding of innovative approaches to education that promote climate literacy and sustainable practices among students.
- Explore effective teaching strategies that foster climate resilience and environmental responsibility within the school curriculum.
- Participate in a dynamic exchange of ideas on the course topic with their peers.
- Reflect on and present actionable ideas that can be implemented in their own educational settings to enhance climate and environmental education.

Program Topics

The following topics will be included in the course:

- Climate Resilience and Environmental Sustainability
- Educational Policies, Approaches and Models
- Building a Community of Climate Educators as a Base for Systemic Change
- Implementation of Climate Change Curriculum Reforms
- Innovative Teaching and Learning Practices
- Civil Society Organizations and Environmental Initiatives
- Israeli Models, Innovation and Practical Applications
- Fostering Student Leadership and Engagement in Climate Action

Application

Application requirements

This course is intended for mid to senior-level policymakers, education professionals, educators and practitioners involved in climate and environmental education, climate resilience and environmental sustainability, working in relevant government ministries, local authorities, educational institutions, NGOs, academia and other related organizations.

Candidates are expected to have academic training or equivalent professional qualifications in relevant fields. Applicants should have at least 5 years of practical experience and should be involved in, or aspiring to develop, implement or lead educational initiatives and programs promoting climate resilience and environmental sustainability in their institutions or communities. English proficiency is required. Age limit: 25–55.

Application Forms

An online application form may be obtained through the following link:
https://mashav-mfa.formtitan.com/ftproject/mashavhome
Please select the **English** language and enter the course code: **7368**
Completed application forms including the health declaration, must be submitted to the Israeli embassy or mission in the respective country no later than **15/01/2027.**

General Information

Arrival and Departure

Arrival date:	31/3/2027
Opening date:	1/4/2027
Closing date:	12/4/2027
Departure date:	12/4/2027 Evening, after the Closing Ceremony or the following day

Participants must arrive at MCTC on the arrival date and leave starting on the closing night **12/4/2027** and no later than the following day. Early arrivals/late departures if

required, must be arranged by the participants themselves directly and must be paid for by the participant him/herself.

Location and Accommodation

The course will be held at The MASHAV Carmel International Training Center (MCTC), located at 12 David Pinsky Street on Mount Carmel in Haifa. The building consists of living accommodation and classrooms, as well as recreation and dining facilities.

MASHAV awards a limited number of scholarships. The scholarship covers the cost of the training program including lectures and field visits, full board accommodation in double rooms (**two participants per room**), health insurance (see below) and transfers to and from the airport. MASHAV does **not** provide a daily allowance and does not cover flight costs.

Health Services

The medical insurance covers medical services and hospitalization in case of emergency. It does not cover the treatment of chronic or serious diseases, specific medications taken by the participant on a regular basis, dental care and eyeglasses. Health authorities recommend that visitors to Israel make sure they have been inoculated against tetanus in the last ten years. Insurance coverage is subject to the full terms and conditions of the applicable policy. Participants are responsible for all other expenses.

About MASHAV

MASHAV – Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation is dedicated to providing developing countries with the best of Israel's experience in development and planning. As a member of the family of nations, The State of Israel is committed to fulfilling its responsibility to contribute to the fight against poverty and to the global efforts to achieve sustainable development. MASHAV, representing Israel and its people, focuses its efforts on capacity building, sharing relevant expertise accumulated during Israel's own development experience to empower governments, communities and individuals to improve their own lives.

In alignment with the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, we focus our activities on human capacity building and on the 'training of trainers' approach, sharing with other countries Israel's own experience and expertise as well as innovative technologies and tested methodologies.
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About The Golda Meir MASHAV-Carmel (MCTC)

The Golda Meir MASHAV Carmel International Training Center (MCTC) was established in 1961. MCTC was the first of its kind in the domain of women's empowerment and since its inception has had a profound influence on both individuals and the policy arena. MCTC focuses on three areas of study: Sustainable Community Development, Early Childhood Education and Development, and Entrepreneurship and Innovation, all with gender as a crosscutting issue.

MCTC endeavors to provide professional women and men from developing countries and transitional societies with the necessary tools for women's empowerment. MCTC enjoys the active cooperation of a number of international organizations, governmental and non-governmental organizations and development authorities. Since the establishment of MCTC, some 30,000 participants from over 147 countries have benefitted from hundreds of training activities conducted in Israel. Today, many of them hold key positions at the local or national level, or within the United Nations. www.mctc.org.il

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