



Green Economy: Principles and Practices 4 and 5 March 2015 Pretoria, TIPS

This two-day interactive training on the green economy covers both the theoretical concepts and principles related to the green economy, and unpacks the practical experiences and lessons about transitioning to a green economy, with a particular focus on South Africa and other developing countries.

Participants will learn about different concepts and facets of the green economy, as well as global, national and sector-specific challenges. The course considers the opportunities to advance to low-carbon, resource efficient and socially inclusive development. Additionally, participants will develop the skills for applying the green economy concept in a real world economic, policy and/or personal context.

Have you ever wondered:

What is a green economy?

Why is a green economy necessary?

What are the intellectual origins of the concept of green economy?

How is green economy related to sustainable development?

How does green economy differ from traditional production and consumption patterns?

What opportunities and risks are presented by green economy prescriptions?

How can my institution benefit from the opportunities presented by the green transition?

How can South African development be bolstered by green economy principles?

After completing the training, participants will be able to:

- Define the concepts around a green economy, such as sustainable development, decoupling, inclusive green growth, green jobs, etc. and explain their value
- Identify enabling conditions for the transition to a green economy at different levels (national, regional, local and entity)
- Identify principal challenges and opportunities for greening key economic sectors
- Describe and understand the planning processes in support of a green transformation
- Recognise international and regional initiatives and support services to foster green development
- Apply the green economy concept to a real world economic, policy and/or personal context
- Understand the tools, mechanisms and indicators to monitor and evaluate the transition to a green economy



Methodology

The training approach is adapted to professionals in full-time work. Participants are provided with the opportunity to learn through various experiences: absorb (read); do (activity); interact (socialise); and reflect (relate to one's own reality). Over the two intensive days of the course, participants will engage with a range of learning activities and experiences.

Participants will enjoy stimulating and innovative lectures, multimedia learning tools, lively and interactive discussions and experience sharing sessions, concrete examples and case studies from industry experts and guest speakers and practical self-assessment exercises.

Based on TIPS's extensive knowledge and experience on the green economy in South Africa, international research and best practice, and guest speakers, the course brings a rich and diverse offering covering both theoretical and analytical frameworks as well as case study and industry knowledge to complement a holistic view on the green economy. This unique offering brings together a wealth of knowledge on green economy principles and practices, and makes this accessible to participants in a relevant and meaningful way.

Who should attend the course?

The course targets groups and individuals that are interested in obtaining an analytical and practical understanding about the green economy concept and latest developments. At both management and implementation levels, this course is relevant to individuals who would like to better understand the green economy and acquire a working knowledge of the key concepts in the green economy.

They include:

- Civil servants in national Ministries, provincial departments, local authorities and state-owned entities
- Diplomats from Permanent Missions and Ministries of Foreign Affairs
- Environmental managers, public affairs officers in private sector and civil society organisations
- Consultants, academics, researchers and students

About TIPS: TIPS is an independent, non-for-profit, economic research institution active in South Africa and the region since 1996. It specialises in economic research and analysis, dialogue facilitation and capacity building. TIPS's areas of work include Trade and Industrial Policy, Poverty and Inequality, and the Green Economy and Sustainable Growth. For more information on TIPS, visit: www.tips.org.za.



Registration

The training takes place over two days at the TIPS offices in Pretoria. Cost includes training material, a certificate of attendance, snack and lunch over the two days. Safe and secure parking is available to participants.

Full cost of the course is R6 000 per participant, payable before 13 February 2015.

To secure your place, contact Natasha at natasha@tips.org.za or +27 12 443 93 40.

Early Bird Bookings

Book and pay before 30 January 2015, and receive a 10% discount.

