



International Workshop on  
**Gender and Local Governance:  
Training Course for Local Government  
Trainers**

In cooperation with

*United Nations Human Settlements Program (UN-HABITAT)*

**June 24 – July 7, 2013**

**Haifa, Israel**

*The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center (MCTC), Haifa  
MASHAV – Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem, Israel*



**Visit to the Haifa City Hall, November 2012**

The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center (MCTC), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation (MASHAV), in collaboration with the United Nations Human Settlements Program (UN-HABITAT) jointly organized a training course on Gender and Local Governance.

**The objective of this course is to strengthen gender in local government through training of trainers.**

**The participants will:**

- Increase their understanding of why gender is important in urban planning, access to basic urban services, land rights and housing, budgeting, economic development, safety and security in cities, urban environment as well as other fields of urban development
- Recognize gender biases in local governance and obstacles to the equal participation of women

- Familiarize themselves with existing tools for gender and local governance training
- Enhance their confidence and skills to deliver gender training to diverse groups
- Experience concrete examples of gender mainstreaming and women's empowerment in Israel during study visits

**The program of the workshop includes various themes relating to gender and governance, which are approached through different methods, for example presentations, sharing of experiences and learning by doing. As the course is designed as a training of trainers event, particular emphasis is placed on group discussions and experimental learning. The themes of the workshop include:**

- Introduction to gender training
- Participation of women in local government and the role of quotas
- Women and Gender in Israeli Society
- Gender and Urban Planning
- Gender Budgeting
- Gender audits in local government
- Gender and access to basic urban services
- Gender and the Urban Environment
- Gender and Safer cities
- Development of Gender Action plans
- Overview of concepts, programs and methodologies applied in Israel

**In addition, the participants of the workshop will enjoy touristic excursions around Israel.**

#### **Who should apply:**

- The course targets local government trainers, affiliated training institutions, and NGOs. Anyone who provides training for elected councilors or local government staff may also apply. Gender trainers wanting to expand their training to local governments may also apply.

#### **Costs:**

- Tuition, board, lodging (two participants per room) and excursions in Israel will be covered by MASHAV. Where possible, UN-HABITAT will cover cost of air ticket.

**\*\*EU Countries are NOT eligible for MASHAV scholarships.**

#### **How to Apply:**

- **Application forms should be sent to the Israeli Diplomatic and/or Consular Representatives serving the applicant's country. They are to be submitted no later than MARCH 10th, 2013.**
- **Two additional copies of the application must be sent to Shachar Reem at MCTC: [shachar@mctc.co.il](mailto:shachar@mctc.co.il) and to Angela Mwai at UN Habitat: [angela.mwai@unhabitat.org](mailto:angela.mwai@unhabitat.org).**

**ALL OTHER EXPENSES ARE TO BE COVERED BY PARTICIPANTS**

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