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## COURSE MANAGEMENT AND FACILITATORS

**Ms. Hanne Hübertz** (Course Director course part I) is a forest ecologist with long experience in environment and climate change including programme development, participatory monitoring, coastal protection and forests and climate change issues. She has previously organised courses on erosion control, sustainable forestry and mangrove ecology and climate change.



**Mr. Per Østerlund** (Course Director course part II) is an experienced journalist, media trainer and project manager with more than 20 years in Print, Radio/TV and Public Information, specialising in humanitarian issues and political reporting, ranging from local politics to international affairs. As a foreign correspondent and media consultant he has worked in more than 60 different countries.



**Mr. Aage Jørgensen** (facilitator) is an anthropologist with broad experience in socio/environment-related development and climate change issues, including participatory development, poverty reduction and livelihood improvement, climate change adaptation and disaster management, local natural resources management and indigenous peoples rights.



**Ing. Philip Mellen** (facilitator) is an environmental engineer with over 20 years of experience. His expertise include integrated water resources management, river basin management, environmental impact assessment, and state of the environment reporting – which all concern climate change. He has recently conducted a DFC course on environmental mainstreaming.



**Dr. Steffen Johnsen** (facilitator) is an environmental biologist with a Ph.D. from University of California, Berkeley in systems analysis. He is responsible for Nordeco's working group on climate change and has written on biofuels and food security. Further he has initiated a major project (Cambodia Carbon Connect) on sustainable agriculture to improve livelihoods of farmers and concurrently mitigate climate change.

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## CAPACITATION OF JOURNALISTS COVERING THE 2009 CLIMATE SUMMIT IN COPENHAGEN



Two part Danida Fellowship Course in Denmark

15.06 – 03.07 2009 and 03.12 – 18.12 2009



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### COURSE OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the training course is to improve and facilitate the participation of selected developing countries in the global climate debate by improving their knowledge and reporting skills related to climate issues up to and during the 2009 Climate Summit in Copenhagen.

#### THE COURSE AIMS TO:

- Train 20 selected journalists to produce media pieces (print, audio-visual, internet) about climate issues in the run-up to the Climate Summit in December 2009 in order to enrich national insights prior to the summit
- Facilitate professional reporting from the actual Climate Summit to media in developing countries
- Establish a South-South network of journalists, that may exchange articles and programmes
- Introduce south perspectives to the Danish public debate by facilitating articles from the participating journalists to be printed/broadcasted in Danish media

#### THE CONTENT AND TIMING OF THE COURSE

Reporting from the actual climate summit in Copenhagen is important, but even more so is coverage of the more substantive debate leading up to it. Thus, the course is divided in two parts: Three weeks in June - July 2009 and two weeks around the summit in December 2009. The training periods are 15.06 – 03.07 2009 and 3.12 – 18.12 2009 (during the COP 15) with internet coaching in between.

Both knowledge of the subject matter and journalistic production skills are important, including internet based research and publishing. The first part of the course will focus approximately 50% on journalistic skills and 50% on climate change knowledge, while the main focus of the second part naturally will be on the issues discussed at the summit.

The training methods will be a mixture of lectures, practical exercises and study visits. The course plan will be flexible enough to allow last minute adjustments and will be determined by the needs of the participants.

#### The course is composed of the following five modules:

- Module 1 – Climate issues and solutions
- Module 2 – Reporting climate issues
- Module 3 – The negotiation game
- Module 4 – Preparing for COP 15
- Module 5 – Reporting from COP 15



#### COP 15 – The 2009 Copenhagen Climate Summit

The 2009 Copenhagen Climate Summit is expected to be a major milestone for international collaboration in the environmental field. It will mark the culmination of years of effort within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) to reach global consensus for addressing climate change.

While populations in the developing world are the most adversely affected by climate change, neither they nor their political leaders have adequate access to information about the associated science and corrective measures. Mass media thus has a crucial role in filling this void, raising important issues and constructively helping chart a responsible way forward. Capacitating selected journalists from Danida partner countries and other developing nations may significantly improve the level of public debate in these countries.



#### COURSE VENUE

The course takes place in Copenhagen with frequent visits to media houses and relevant site visits. Participants will be accredited to the COP 15 and during the 2nd part of the course most time will be spent at or related to the COP 15 event. The course is seen as an integrated whole and participants must commit themselves to the entire course. Danida Fellowship Centre will arrange suitable accommodation in the centre of Copenhagen and provide participants with allowances to cover daily needs.

#### PARTICIPANTS

The 20 participants should primarily come from Danida partner countries. However, to stimulate debate, journalists from some of the biggest greenhouse gas emitting countries e.g. Brazil, China and India may also participate. The training language is English and participants must understand, speak and write English at a professional level. DFC invites senior reporters from leading public or private media organisations to apply. It is a policy of the Danish Government to promote gender equality and a balanced participation of men and women at the course is a priority. Thus, female journalists are particularly encouraged to apply.

#### WHAT IS DANIDA FELLOWSHIP CENTRE?

Danida Fellowship Centre (DFC) manages and implements the Danida supported Fellowship Programme which supplies training in support of capacity development in Danida's programmes and projects worldwide. DFC is responsible for the educational, administrative and practical aspects of the training in Denmark.

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Application procedures must follow the procedures stipulated in "Guidelines for Danida Fellowships". The guidelines and the fellowship form can be downloaded at the DFC's web site [www.dfcentre.com](http://www.dfcentre.com) Applications must reach the Danida Fellowship Centre in Copenhagen no later than March 30, 2009. Selection of course participants will be carried out by DFC and the course management based on incoming applications. Influence and impact on the local public agenda will be a key factor in the selection process.

