

A. GENERAL

1. What is the Young Social Entrepreneurs (YSE) Workshop?

The Singapore International Foundation (SIF) believes in equipping, enabling and inspiring young changemakers like you to develop your social enterprise. Through the YSE Workshop | Mumbai, we nurture a network of social entrepreneurs, where the power of ideas, know-how and resources can be harnessed to enrich lives and effect positive change for a better world.

The main YSE programme was launched in 2010 and as of now, we have 870 alumni representing 29 nationalities. Some of our alumni have been featured on Channel News Asia's Friends for a Better World – On The Red Dot series. [Find out more](#) about their YSE and start-up journey.

2. What happens during the workshop?

The YSE 2018 overseas workshops are put together with the intention of allowing participants to learn from and interact with leading social entrepreneurs, business professionals and other youth who are keen on social innovation, while expanding their network of contacts for collaborations and partnerships.

Throughout the first two days, you will participate in training workshops and business clinics to enable you to learn from the experience of different social entrepreneurs and gain feedback from professionals and practitioners on your business plans, so that you can refine your ideas and improve on your business presentations.

At the end of the workshop, participants will have the opportunity to be part of a sponsored overseas study visit. All admitted YSEs will be able to join SIF's network, and engage in alumni activities after completion of the workshop.

3. How much does the workshop cost?

SIF does not charge for the workshop. Participants based outside of Mumbai are responsible for covering their own airfares and accommodation to attend the 3-day workshop in Mumbai, from 26 to 28 September 2018*. Meals during the workshop will be provided by SIF. You will need to pay for transport cost to the workshop venue each morning and back to your accommodation each night.

4. Do I need to attend the full workshop should I be admitted?

Successful applicants must attend all sessions of the workshop for the full duration. For overseas participants, you will need to make arrangements to arrive in and depart from Mumbai in time for the workshop. Prior to the workshop, you can let us know if you require a letter of admittance from us to apply for leave from work/school.

5. Why should I apply early?

Early submissions are highly encouraged because we can still assist you if you have any questions and that gives you more time to work on your application details before the final cut-off. Early submissions will ensure that you complete your application in good time.

B. APPLICATION

6. What is my role as an applicant in the workshop?

Applicant(s) are expected to be committed to the workshop programme and if you are an individual applicant, you should be the key driver of the SE.

7. Does every member of my SE need to submit an individual application form?

All applicants of the SE will have to submit your details through the online application form. If you are applying as a team, please [fill up the information for all team members](#) before submission.

8. Do I need an idea to apply?

Yes! We are looking for young changemakers and social entrepreneurs who have great ideas and are looking to develop and scale their social enterprise. We are interested to know more about your social enterprise but you do not need to have an incorporated/registered social enterprise before applying. Ideally, your social enterprise is already in operation for less than two years.

9. Is there a specific industry for this programme?

No, we welcome ideas from all industries.

10. Do I need a business plan?

You can share about your social enterprise idea in the online application form. After submission, you can choose to email us at yse-overseas@sif.org.sg with supporting documents (e.g business model canvas).

Supporting documents should not exceed a total of 50MB in file size each. Please send us a zipped file if you have multiple documents.

11. English is not my first language, can I answer the questions in my native language?

Currently, we only accept applications in English. The workshop will be conducted in English, so it will be important for participants to have general English language proficiency. It will also be easier to connect with the rest of the international YSE network.

12. Can there be a change in team member during the course of the workshop?

Teams are not allowed to change members once they embark on the programme. However, please let us know if you have a specific request.

C. ELIGIBILITY

13. Who is eligible to apply?

The YSE workshop is open to participants of all nationalities, aged 18 to 30 years old and who have a social enterprise based in India.

14. Can individuals apply?

Yes, individuals can apply but we highly encourage you to have more than one member for your social enterprise. We encourage you to build a team so that the other members can support you as you grow your social enterprise.

15. If I have an existing SE, am I eligible to apply?

SEs that are in operation for > 3 years AND generating profit are not eligible to apply. If you are unsure of your eligibility, please fill in the application form for our review.

16. Does my SE need to have operations in Mumbai?

Your SE would have to be based in India. However, operations can be carried out in other Indian cities and/or other parts of the world.

D. POST-WORKSHOP

17. What happens after the workshop?

The selected participants will have the opportunity to be part of a sponsored overseas study visit.

All participants will become our YSE alumni. We will continue to support you through other resources and activities such as business clinics and networking events both in Singapore and abroad.

If your questions have not been answered in this FAQ, drop us an email at yse-overseas@sif.org.sg.

As we will be facing a high volume of emails during this period, please specify in the subject your name and the enquiry pertaining to the workshop e.g. SE Name_YSE2018WorkshopMUM [your enquiry].