Jeju International Training Center (JITC) is a regional training institution, established in 2010 under the tripartite agreement between UNITAR, International Peace Foundation, and Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, with a view to dedicating to building capacity for Asia-Pacific countries to achieve sustainable development.

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The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is a training arm of the United Nations system. UNITAR provides innovative learning solutions to enhance global decision-making and support country-level action for shaping a better future.

CIFAL Global Network (CGN)

UNITAR governs the global network of CIFALs (Centre International de Formation des Autorités et Leaders), which is now composed of 20 regional centers all around the world.

Since its inception, CIFAL Jeju / JITC has conducted more than 200 international workshops benefiting over 7,000 participants from the Asia-Pacific region and beyond. In 2020, commemorating the 10th anniversary of its establishment, CIFAL Jeju / JITC re-invigorates its effort to provide more effective and efficient capacity-building programs by expanding its partnerships with relevant institutions and adapting to changing environments for education and training.

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Achieving Sustainable Future for All

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- Support Asia-Pacific countries in their effort to achieve sustainable development, particularly at local levels, through various capacity-building programs.
- Major beneficiaries: Public officials, non-governmental and community-based organizations, local actors including civil society leaders, academics and private sector representatives
- Promote the awareness of youth and community leaders on various issues for sustainable development through global citizenship education (GCED) to local communities.
As one of the critical dimensions of sustainable development, social development requires a more holistic, coherent and collaborative approach in designing and implementing national and local policies to make progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

CIFAL Jeju/JITC provides a variety of training programs to enhance capacity for national and local communities in the Asia-Pacific region to benefit from holistic and multi-disciplinary approaches available in such diverse areas as human trafficking, migration and refugees, urban poor, resilience and disaster risk reduction, making peaceful and inclusive societies, and so on.

Economic development is one of the main drivers toward achieving sustainable development. Under the 2030 Agenda, its scope has drastically expanded to include the concept of inclusive and just economic growth. Thus, the focus of economic development has moved from 'how much developed' to 'how well developed'. In this new paradigm, ensuring a concerted participation has become one of the most important criteria for sustainable development. Likewise, CIFAL Jeju/JITC has expanded its scope of workshops to include various aspects of economic development, such as sustainable urbanization, tourism, entrepreneurship, rural and agricultural development, smart city, green finance, and so on.

Likewise, sustainable development is defined as a responsible interaction with the environment to avoid depletion or degradation of natural resources and allow for long-term environmental quality. It is inevitably associated with the perspectives on human needs and well-being. In this sense, environmental sustainability is mutually reinforcing economic and societal sustainability. In other words, it is essential to live within the earth’s planetary boundary so as not to jeopardize the ability for future generations to meet their needs.

As part of the global and local efforts to meet the human-ecosystem equilibrium, CIFAL Jeju/JITC organizes environmental workshops on a variety of relevant topics like green growth, carbon-free development, waste management, e-mobility, and environmentally sound technologies. Serving as a venue to share policy experiences and action plans, the Center joins the effort of the global community in moving towards a more sustainable future.

Globalization has forged a borderless world, bringing both advantages and disadvantages across the world. No nation or individual will be immune from what is happening in other parts of the world. In this context, the provision of Global Citizenship Education (GCED) has become an essential part of education in helping people to understand the commonality of the global issues and to become active promoters of more peaceful, tolerant, inclusive, secure, and sustainable societies.

CIFAL Jeju/JITC focuses on raising awareness on the concept of GCED and its methodologies for the local educators and at the same time provides GCED programs to local communities and schools.