Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS) Surabaya in Indonesia invites to an upcoming program “CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016” held on 22 - 31 August 2016 which offers 2 sub courses: A) Ring of Fire and B) Strands of Sand.

In the sub course Ring of Fire the participants learn about geoarcheology & geothermal potencies. In the sub course Strands of Sand, the participants will learn about management coastal planning in Indonesia. Detail information about this program can be found in this link http://international.its.ac.id/commtech-highlight-2016/. You can find a teaser video, made by one of our Volunteer Students in ITS International Office, in this link https://youtu.be/3NTniNQWM-4.

This program is open for active students, non-academic staff & lecturers/Professors. The fees of this program are USD 1600. The fees will cover everything such as accommodation, scheduled meals, tuition fee, workshop materials, airport pick up & drop off services, trip to Bromo Mountain and rafting, except for the roundtrip airfare & travel insurance.

There is a possibility of receiving 1 full scholarship, 1 50% scholarship (pay USD 800) & 1 partial scholarship (pay USD 1000).
Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS)

Being one of the best universities in Indonesia, vision of Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS) is to be an innovative research university with international recognition. ITS, which was founded in 1961 and consists of 5 faculties, offers courses and research in science and technology. Currently ITS has more than 20,000 students, 1,000 academic staffs, and 1,000 non-academic staffs. Located at Eastern area of Surabaya, ITS occupies a large area totaling 180 hectares as its main campus in Sukolilo sub-district. ITS is prominent to provide excellent scientific activities, pleasant natural life environment, very friendly atmosphere, and enormous community spirit.

Working together with national and local government, industries, NGOs, community, and all stakeholders including alumni, ITS carries out strategic programs such as integrated internationalization programs, Lab-based-Education (LBE), techpark, eco-campus, comprehensive research and community outreach.

About Surabaya

As the second largest city in Indonesia and the capital city of East Java province, Surabaya is well-equipped with public facilities and infrastructures. Surabaya with a population of over 2.7 million is located in the equatorial region. Hence there are only two seasons: a very humid rainy season and a dry season. Surabaya is the main seaport and commercial centre in the eastern region of Indonesia. Surabaya also known as “City of Heroes” due to the importance of “Sepuluh Nopember (10 of November)” battle during Indonesia independence war.

Surabaya is a multi-ethnic and multi religion city. It is very vibrant city that offers dynamic lifestyle. In addition to Indonesian languages, English is also widely spoken at major shops, hotels and universities. Surabaya is also famous for many landmarks such as Tugu Pahlawan (Heroes Monument), Suro and Baya Statue (Surabaya City’s Symbol), Suramadu Bridge (the longest bridge in Indonesia), and many more.

How to Apply?

The registration for CommTECH Highlight 2016 opens from 28 March to 1 July 2016. Registration form available at www.international.its.ac.id/commtech-highlight-2016/

CommTECH Insight 2017 will open registration from 18 September - 29 December 2016. Registration form available at www.international.its.ac.id/commtech-insight-2017/

Three types of scholarships* are provided as follows:

- Full Scholarship (for 10 participants) - pay USD 0
- 30% Scholarship (for 10 participants) - pay USD 800
- Partial Scholarship (for 5 participants) - pay USD 1,000

Selected participants with or without scholarship will be notified by email maximum one month after the submission of the registration form.

Acceptance letter or invitation letter will be provided for visa arrangement.

For further enquiries, please contact Mr. Widyaw at international@its.ac.id

*Scholarship is provided for selected participants from different institutions

Requirements

- Scanned passport
- One recommendation letter from your university
- Scanned students/staffs/lecturers ID or statement letter that you are staff or lecturer from your university

Continuing 2012 to 2015 Community and Technological (CommTECH) Camp, this time ITS again offers very fascinating programs for international partners under CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016 and Insight 2017. Two sub courses, i.e. exploring geo-archeology and Indonesian’s geothermal potential and planning and managing sustainable coastal, would be the programs in Highlight 2016. In Insight 2017, there would be three sub courses on biomedical engineering innovation, game development programming and entrepreneurship in action. Not only thematic courses, the program will incorporate Indonesian language course, traditional music and dance classes, and battle making. Tasting delicious Indonesian foods and visiting Surabaya community and main tourist destinations will definitely become inseparable parts of the program.

All courses are designed attractively based on Participant-based-Learning (PbL) method. Materials have been compiled from many credible resources and added with interesting data and facts that will provide broader and deeper understanding on the topics. “Think Loudly” is a term encouraged in the classroom interaction, in which participants are given great opportunities to articulate their understanding and opinions. This method would provide best learning environment for participants from different countries and background to raise ideas and discuss different perspectives. All the courses have been successfully run in 2013 with great feedbacks from participants.

This program will be held for 10 days. The fee to join this program is very affordable, i.e USD 1,000. The fee will cover airport pick-up & drop-off, accommodation and all scheduled meals, local transportation, course material, workshop tools & materials such as fabrics, T-shirt & backpack, and site visits. Please note that round-trip flight and health insurance are not part of the fee. Participant should arrange their own health insurance prior to the departure, if needed.

In addition to CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016 (Aug-Sept) and Insight 2017, ITS also offers to arrange customize short programs to accommodate the needs and schedules of various international partners.

Testimony of participants

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Senior Students, Evergreen State College, USA

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CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016 provides 2 sub courses for the participants. Each participant must choose one of the following:

**SUB COURSE A**
**Ring of Fire**

Located in the Pacific “Ring of Fire”, particularly in one of the most technologically active regions in the world and nested near the boundaries of the Indo-Australian, Pacific, Philippine and Eurasian tectonic plates, Indonesia is incredibly susceptible to natural disasters. Using along the Ring of Fire means bring with volcanic activities. The Ring of Fire is a geographic region that contains over 450 volcanoes and is home to nearly 90% of the world’s earthquakes. On average, Asia experiences over 115 natural disasters a year. In this course, students will learn about geo-archeology and Indonesia’s geothermal potentials. This region’s unique geological complexity that is responsible for its dynamic geothermal activity. In CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016, ring of fire subjects will take students to discuss about environment civilization in volcano, the beauty of ring of fire and volcanic islands.

**SUB COURSE B**
**Strands of Sand**

The coastal area is a transitional area between land and ocean that has a physical boundary. As the largest archipelago country in the world, Indonesia’s coastal areas are very strategic with their comparative and competitive advantages that could be the prime mover of the national development. In Indonesia’s history, most of big cities started in coastal areas i.e. Jakarta, Surabaya, Semarang, and Banjarmasin because of geographical advantages and environment services. To optimize the use of marine and coastal resources, policy intervention through spatial planning, government handling, and cooperation between stakeholders including public and private sectors are required. In CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016, this sub course will take students to discuss and simulate the management of coastal planning this archipelago country. The highlights in this subject consist of Coastal Planning Policies, Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM), Coastal Risk Management, and Coastal Tourism. This program is designed to suit either bachelor or master even doctoral students with or without specific knowledge in coastal development and planning.

For more details about the programs, you might download the rundown, syllabus and videos in our website at www.international.its.ac.id

**Customize Short Programs**

In addition to CommTECH Programs, ITS is also willing to organize a customized short-course program for minimum 10 participants based on specific request of our international partners. The schedule, content, and course fee of the program can be tailored to suit your requirements. ITS offers five main topics which are:

- Community based Sanitation
- Sustainable Development in Developing Countries
- IT in Emerging Society
- Business Model Canvas (BMC)
- Green Business in Indonesia

You can combine a particular topic with Indonesian language course, traditional music and dance classes, soft skill development, community engagement, site visits, and many more.

For further enquiries, please contact Mr. Wahyu at international@its.ac.id.
Join CommTECH Camp Highlight 2016!

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Testimony from CommTECH Participants

“There is nothing more life changing than Commtech! You will get to learn so much from dynamic and interesting lectures, teamwork and ideas-discussions to come up with innovative solutions for local issues. You will be surrounded by people, that just like you, want to be a change in the world! And on the top of it, you will get to know the best of Surabaya and its people! Outdoor activities such as rafting, Bromo trip, bonfire party, traditional games and dances together with the warmth and kindness of the staff and participants make up an indistinguishable awesome experience!

Don’t hesitate on applying! You will broaden your vision. I assure you won’t regret it”.

Geraldine Palacios Torres
CommTECH 2014 Participants from Peru who currently study at Seoul National University, South Korea