A 4-day skills development course for those involved in brokering and managing multi-stakeholder partnerships

Partnership Brokers Training

30 March - 2 April 2020 in Bangkok

There is a growing demand in Asia and internationally across all sectors for greater competence in managing the partnering process in multi-stakeholder partnerships more effectively and efficiently. This is particularly so with the government, business, not for profit, environment and welfare sectors, along with humanitarian sectors working on disaster, human trafficking and other such issues.

Increasingly, agencies are seeking to work together across organisations, sectors, geographical regions to address complex social and development problems. However, partnering, whether across sectors and geographical divides, or among units of the same organisation, is fraught with challenges.

This unique and highly sought-after program provides those working in and on partnerships with frameworks, techniques and skills development to build their confidence and competence as partnership brokers. It seeks to evolve frameworks from practice and builds on experiences of partnership brokering in diverse contexts and different models of partnership.

A partnership ‘broker’ is an intermediary building effective and innovative collaboration between partners. Partnership brokers can be either internal – responsible for negotiating or managing partnerships on behalf of their organisation – or external – those offering independent partnership brokering services.

Established in 2003, the globally recognised Partnership Brokers Training builds the practical brokering skills and professional practices necessary to address complex challenges in the partnering process at all phases of a partnership’s life cycle.

“This programme has given my partnership brokering work a soul. The delivery was precise and to the point. I now have a clear picture of the entire brokering process and how best I can execute my role. I have renewed confidence and increased skills. It was an excellent experience.”
Course graduate (Bi-lateral agency, India)
The Partnership Brokers Training is a 4-day skills training and professional development that includes:

- A theoretical framework for partnership brokering and the importance of good brokering in the development of robust, efficient and innovative partnerships
- Brokering skills development in scoping, resource-mapping, facilitation, partnering negotiations, relationship-management, reaching agreement and reviewing
- Exploration of common partnership brokering challenges
- Action planning for individual applications of the lessons from the course

Training Team

**RHONDA CHAPMAN** - has worked in international development cooperation and community development for over 25 years. She works with NGOs and government in Australia, has lived and worked in Central America and Cambodia, and currently works with clients in regional Australia, Australian NGOs, SE Asia and the Pacific. She provides advisory support in partnerships, program review and evaluation, governance and leadership, organisational systems, and capacity development. She is also the co-founder of a coworking and enterprise support space in regional Victoria where she applies partnering principles to help small and micro enterprises thrive and collaborate. Rhonda is a PBA Authorised Practitioner Trainer, Mentor and Accredited Partnership Broker.

**BULBUL BAKSI** - Bulbul has over twenty years of experience in the social development sector, working with grass roots NGOs as well as government ministries and bilateral aid and international cooperation organisations. She has supported public-private partnerships and helped government agencies manage change processes. Bulbul’s partnership brokering experience in the last few years has focused on: helping to build multi-stakeholder partnership platforms, supporting networks and alliances to scope their roles and build appropriate governance mechanisms, and brokering difficult partner conversations, collaboration agreements and arrangements. Bulbul has also provided advice on embedding partnering approaches in organisations along with strengthening capacities through training, mentoring and coaching. She is an Authorised Practitioner Trainer and Mentor for the Partnership Brokers Association.

About us

**Partnership Brokers Association (PBA)**: Established in 2003, PBA is the international professional body for those managing and developing collaboration processes. PBA’s primary aims are to:

- Challenge and change poor partnering practices so that multi-stakeholder collaboration can become truly transformational
- Ensure those operating in partnership brokering roles are skilled, principled and work to the highest standards
- Promote the critical importance of partnering process management to decision-makers in all sectors

**Co-Impact** offers an enterprising approach to a range of advisory, support and accompaniment services. These include partnering training and review, support for the governance of your partnerships, leadership mentoring, and general monitoring and evaluation services. For enquiries: **info@co-impact.com.au**
Who should attend and criteria for acceptance

This course is for active partnership practitioners involved in the management and development of multi-stakeholder partnerships who should be able to demonstrate the following:

- **Educational attainment** at higher education level in a related field and/or practical experience that combines analytical capabilities with an aptitude for working with diverse groups;

- **Opportunities** for the practical application of partnership brokering skills.

Please note that participants who attend all sessions will be awarded a PBA certificate entitling them to become alumni of the Association and to apply for further training opportunities (see details on the next page). Anyone who misses one or more sessions without an acceptable reason will be able to complete the course but will not be entitled to receive the PBA certificate nor be eligible for further trainings.

“The training introduced me to partnership brokering and provided a solid base of awareness, knowledge and skills that I can expand on. I feel more prepared and understand how to work with internal as well as external partnerships.”

“An eye-opening experience, very much focussed on learning rooted in practical applications and relevance for my work.”

Course graduates (Bangkok 2018)

Further training opportunities

Participants who complete the Partnership Brokers Training will become alumni of the Partnership Brokers Association (PBA) giving them access to learning / research findings, tools, case studies, support services and further training options. These are: A long-distance mentored program leading to **Professional Accreditation** or **Advanced Skills in Partnership Brokering**; (a 5-day course offering more advanced partnership brokering skills). **PBA is the global professional association for those brokering partnerships and other forms of multi-stakeholder collaboration.**

Application and fees

The fee for the training is **USD $1,500**. The fee includes tuition costs, background reading materials, copies of all the training materials, lunches and snacks.

The fee does not include travel or accommodation. Applicants are responsible for paying all and any bank fees incurred for the payment, including international bank transfer costs, in addition to the amount of the training fee. The fee will be payable with your application. Your place on the course will be secured only when full payment has been received.

**Application:**

Download the Bangkok 2020 application at [www.bit.ly/PBAtraining](http://www.bit.ly/PBAtraining), complete it and submit to [info@co-impact.com.au](mailto:info@co-impact.com.au)

**For more information** please contact [info@co-impact.com.au](mailto:info@co-impact.com.au)

“The variety and diversity of learning approaches has been a real highlight of the course, and meant that I was also able to interact with almost all the course participants over the four days - and it was fun!”

Course graduate Canberra, Australia

The venue

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