

Project Skillseed

Background on Project Skillseed

- Project Skillseed partners experts and social organisations to provide customized educational programmes for youths to develop real world skills.
- In 2014, IRO partnered Project Skillseed for a programme to Vietnam in the area of film-making. Feedback from participants was generally very good.

Proposed Environmental Stewardship Programme

- Where: Bali Barat National Park, Bali, Indonesia (about 5-6 hours drive from Denpasar Airport)
- When: 10 - 17 Dec 2015
- Key Highlights
 - a) Involvement in community-based conservation in Indonesia (eg. coral reef transects, installing irrigation systems to extend farming seasons)
 - b) Application of textbook ecology knowledge to real-world challenges (eg. identification of invasive species, observation of food chains in action, observing the impact of climate change on fragile ecosystems)
 - c) Interaction with Director of Agriculture and Forestry for Biosphere Foundation, Ms Sally Silverstone, who has been actively engaged in agricultural, environmental and closed-system research and development projects for the past 30 years. (She was one of only eight researchers as well as the Co-Captain and Food Systems Manager for the two-year Biosphere 2 experiment, the world's largest materially enclosed ecosystem)
- Estimated programme cost (including airfare, accommodation, pre-trip training) : S\$1,845 per student
- Estimated cost of one participating NUS staff: S\$1,590 (subsidised rate)

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