Based on the Japan-Singapore Partnership Programme for the 21st Century (JSPP21) initiated by the Japanese and Singapore governments, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and Technical Cooperation Directorate of Ministry of Foreign Affairs (TCD-MFA), Singapore jointly embarked on the implementation of the third country training programme, which addresses the needs of government officials from developing nations.

The JSPP21 is designed to promote further development of ASEAN and support their effort of integration towards 2015. Since its inception, Japan and Singapore have worked closely together to offer a variety of technical assistance courses such as Trade Facilitation, Maritime Safety, and Climate Change to ASEAN members, with the aim of contributing to their socio-economic development. Furthermore, from its original focus on ASEAN countries, the JSPP21 has also extended its reach to countries in Middle East and Africa as well.

Since 1994, 329 training courses have been implemented for 5650 officials from 93 areas and countries.



