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## **JOIN THE THIRD EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM IN ARTISANAL MARICULTURE SCIENCES & VILLAGE FARMING**

After a successful first edition in 2024–2025 and the second edition 2025–2026, we are excited to launch the 3<sup>rd</sup> cohort of the Artisanal Mariculture Sciences and Village Farming Program, held in Toliara, Madagascar.

👉 **This unique international training offers both:**

- **Specialized short courses (2-3 months)**
- **A comprehensive 1-year program (long curriculum)**

🔍 **Program options (2026–2027)**

Participants can choose one of the following modules, or opt for the full-year advanced training:

- Sea Cucumber Farming (October–December 2026)
- Spirulina Farming (January–February 2027)
- Seaweed Farming (March–April 2027)
- Coral Farming (May–June 2027)
- Long course (September 2026–August 2027) : Includes all 4 modules + a final thesis project (July–August 2027)

🎯 **Eligibility criteria**

- Hold a Master's degree or be an engineer in a Natural or Social Science field
- Or have a higher education diploma plus at least 3 years of relevant experience in artisanal mariculture

📋 **Training conditions**

- All theoretical and practical courses are conducted entirely in English – strong proficiency is required
- Selected participants will receive a monthly scholarship allowance during the training
- International air travel to Madagascar will be covered by the program

🎓 **Certificate**

An internationally recognized certificate will be awarded, jointly delivered by:

- University of Mons (Belgium)
- IH.SM – University of Toliara (Madagascar)
- University of Liège (Belgium)

## How to apply?

☑ Your application must include:

- CV
- Cover Letter (indicate your preferred course: one short module OR the long curriculum)
- Copy of diploma(s)
- A letter of support (from a university, employer, or other relevant institution/person demonstrating support for the candidate and their involvement in the development of artisanal mariculture or related aquaculture initiatives / e.g., university representative, academic supervisor, professor, employer, or other key stakeholders).
- A copy of your completed online application form (PDF format recommended):  
<https://forms.gle/3bRTHRr3u4oC8FMi7>

✉ Submit your application by email to: pfsmariculture@gmail.com

(CC: lavitra\_thierry@yahoo.fr, igor.eeckhaut@umons.ac.be, pfsmadagascar@yahoo.fr) 📅

**Application deadline: Sunday, August 16, 2026**

💻 **Interviews (in English): Friday, August 21, 2026**

📅 **Final results: Monday, August 24, 2026.**

🔗 For more information: <https://www.bio-mar.com/services-4>

Don't miss this unique opportunity to develop your skills in sustainable artisanal mariculture in the Indian Ocean region!