# Activity Guide: Discussion Forum for Self-Introductions

## **Period Covered**

As indicated in the schedule for Module 1

#### Requirement

By the end of Module 1, everyone should have submitted a short post about themselves in the Self-Introductions Forum. A reply to the rest of the group would be most welcome.

## Objective

This activity serves as an opportunity for everyone to learn and practice participating in an online discussion forum. They will also get to know more about their "classmates" and course facilitators.

## **Task and Output**

Everyone is expected to participate in the forum. The forum will help participants to remember who their co-learners and facilitators are.

#### **Specific Guidelines**

- 1. Click on the icon "Self-Introductions Forum."
- 2. Then click on "Add a new discussion topic."
- 3. Fill in the field for "Subject." This refers to the subject of your post or message.
- 4. In the "Message" field, introduce yourself to the group. Tell us how you wish to be addressed, your designation and involvement in NTP work, how you came to enrol in this course, and any other (personal) information that you may wish to share with everyone. Share also your expectations of this course.
- 5. Please limit your post to a maximum of 200 words.
- 6. Click on "Post to forum" to submit your post. Click "edit" or "delete" as needed.
- 7. Read the posts of others.
- 8. Reply to any of the posts or to everyone in general.
- 9. Observe network etiquette when posting in discussion forums. Please read <u>http://www.albion.com/netiquette/corerules.html</u>.

Your activity in the course site is tracked and documented automatically by the system.