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## Tours on how S'pore stays clean and green

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FROM a scenic boat ride down the Singapore River to labs filled with live mosquitoes, the National Environment Agency is pulling out the stops to get the green message across.




Participants of PEEL will get a chance to tour Singapore River on a bumboat. -- ST PHOTO: NG SOR LUAN

The Programme for Environmental Experiential Learning launched on Monday will provide rare inside glimpses into how Singapore is kept clean and green.

Also known as Peel, the new programme includes four full-day thematic trails covering air, land, water and public health. For instance, participants on the land-themed trail will follow the route of a piece of rubbish - from origin to landfill.

Targetted at environment industry professionals, Peel aims to give participants a better idea of how they fit into the bigger picture of keeping the environment clean, said Mr Kwok Wai Choong, head of training and development at the NEA's Singapore Environment Insitute, which organised the programme.

Participants will spend a full-day touring various sites, including a visit to CRISP (Centre for Remote Imaging, Sensing and Processing) - a

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satellite imaging lab, where scientists track hotspots in Indonesia and the region.

Other stops include the Environmental Health Institute - the only authorised mosquito breeding facility here, where vector studies are being conducted to help combat Singapore's mosquito problem.

At \$98 per session, the programme is also open to members of the public.

A memorandum of understanding signed with the Civil Service College on Monday, will also see the Peel programme being rolled out to foreign delegates, as part of the college's training programmes.

For more information, visit [www.nea.gov.sg/sei](http://www.nea.gov.sg/sei).

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