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Agenda 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development

DAY 1: 13 December 2016, Chambord Meeting Room, Intercontinental Hotel, Kunming, PRC						
8:30 – 9:00	Registration					
9:00 – 9:45	Welcome Remarks  Li Rui, Deputy Director, ADB Division, Department of Economic and Financial Cooper,  Ministry of Finance, People's Republic of China  Speech on innovation and how PRC uses innovation in regional cooperation					
	Opening Statements  Ayako Inagaki, Director, Human and Social Development Division, Southeast Asia Department, ADB  Speech on ADB's work in the human resource development sector and ADB's support to the GMS working group on HRD					
	Xinning Jia, Deputy Country Director, PRC Resident Mission, ADB Speech on ADB's cooperation program in PRC and its impact					
	Facilitator Lainie Thomas, ADB					
9:45–10:00	Session 1: Regional Cooperation Overview This session will provide an overview of the GMS program and briefing on the directives and outcomes of the 21st GMS Ministerial Conference relevant to the HRD sector.  Presenter Pinsuda Alexander, ADB Human Resource Development Sector within the GMS Program					
	Facilitator Azusa Sato, ADB					
10:00-10:15	Photo shoot and coffee break					
10:15-11:30	Session 2: Working group achievements in education  This session will present updates on the (i) academic credit transfer program, (ii) training standards recognition initiative, and (iii) projects and initiatives with cross border elements.  Presenters  Phunyanuch Pattanothai, SEAMEO Regional Center for Higher Education and Development Nantana Gajaseni, ASEAN University Network  Wan Fengfeng, Deputy of Vocational and Adult Education Division,  Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Education Department					

	Facilitator Joel Mangahas, ADB			
11:30– 12:15	Session 3: Challenges to health security in the GMS: new trends in addressing the issues  A discussion including experts on health about challenges facing the region and how regional cooperation can bring benefits for all.  Presenters  Gerard Servais, ADB  Chin-Kei Lee, Office of the World Health Organization Representative in PRC  Maria Nenette Motus, International Organization on Migration in South Asia and Pacific Surasak Thanaisawanyangkoon, Thailand Ministry of Health  Facilitator  Azusa Sato, ADB			
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch, The Market, 1st floor			
13:30 – 17:25	Session 4: Next steps for the strategic framework and action plan  The session will begin with a presentation on the HRD strategic framework and action plan 2013- 2017. What did it propose, what has been achieved, what were the challenges, and what has its role been strengthening regional cooperation and building the pipeline?  Presenter  Sam Plummer, Consultant, ADB  Facilitator  Jyotsana Varma, ADB  Set the assignment of the subgroups: review what the subgroup has achieved. Discuss the value of the subgroup to the working group. Clarify what realistically can be planned for the coming period 2018-2022 under the next framework.  Q&A on the presentation and assignment for clarity  Subgroup breakout session: Begin with some presentations on current innovations and examples to begin the discussion. Each group should then:  Prepare a proposed output for the subgroup (see existing SFAP for examples).  Identify priorities for the next 5 years to go into the new action plan and as inputs to the GMS Regional Investment Framework and Implementation Plan  Prepare a 15-minute presentation to the plenary for the next day on specific recommendations for moving forward.			
	(Participants may have a working break at 15:00 center of the second sec	Education and Social Development Subgroups- Chen Ming Executive Vice Chairman, Guizhou Vocational Education Association, PRC		



17:25-17:30 17:30–19:00	Facilitator: Gerard Servais, ADB  Cofacilitators: Kyi Thar (MYRM), Nguyen Thi Hoang Lan (VRM) Venue: Chambord Meeting Room, 2nd floor  Wrap up of Day 1 Lainie Thomas, ADB  Facilitators: Joel Mangahas, ADB, Pinsuda Alexander, ADB Cofacilitators: Khamtanh Chanthy (LRM), Tina Wu (PRCM) Venue: Yuhuo Meeting Room, 4th floor  Welcome reception, Butterfly Bar, 2nd floor				
DAY 2	: 14 December 2016, Chambord Meeting Room, Intercontinental Hotel, Kunming, PRC				
8:30 – 8:45	Recap of Day 1 and Overview of Day 2 Azusa Sato, ADB				
8:45-10:30	Session 5: Synthesis of subgroup discussions  A representative of each subgroup will present the discussions and conclusions from the previous afternoon (15-20 minutes each). The 2 responders will share feedback (5-8 minutes each) on the presentations. Then the facilitators will run an open discussion to synthesize results about how to move forward with the subgroups' recommendations as inputs to the new HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan.  • Health and Labor and Migration presentation • Education and Social Development presentation  Responders  Maria Theresa Medialdia, Mekong Institute Tinsiri Siribodhi, SEAMEO Secretariat  Facilitators  Lainie Thomas and Gerard Servais, ADB				
10:30-10:45	Coffee break				
10:45-11:25	Session 6: Discussions on the Way Forward  The presenter will summarize the accomplishments of the 15 <sup>th</sup> WGHRD meeting and discuss the next steps towards the further development and eventual endorsement of the new HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan.  Presenter  Ayako Inagaki, Director, SEHS				
11:25-11:30	Session 7: Date and Venue of the 16th Meeting of the WGHRD				
	Lao PDR (Khamphao Chanphengxay)				
11:30-11:45	Session 8: Feedback and Reflection				



	Participants will fill out feedback forms  Facilitator  Joel Mangahas, SEHS
11:45 - 12:00	Session 9: Closing Remarks Introduction of Government Official Lainie Thomas, ADB  Closing Remarks Yang Xunbing, Director, Department of Finance, Yunnan Province, PRC
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch, The Market, 1st floor



## THEME- Spurring regional cooperation: Enhancing knowledge, skills and innovation in the Greater Mekong Subregion

#### **Background**

- 1. The Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Human Resource Development (HRD) Strategic Framework and Action Plan (SFAP) 2013–2017<sup>1</sup> facilitate GMS integration while mitigating its negative aspects. Regional cooperation in HRD promotes economic growth and inclusive development along the economic corridors by strengthening national education and health systems, harmonizing standards and regulations in education, health and labor migration, and establishing mutual recognition frameworks for skills and professional qualifications that facilitate the flow of investments, goods and services across borders. It also allays the negative health and social impacts through projects such as communicable diseases control.
- 2. The second regional policy advisory technical assistance project<sup>2</sup> implements the GMS HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan 2013-2017 and has the following outputs: (i) improved cooperation in technical and vocational education and training (TVET); (ii) improved cooperation in higher education; and (iii) strengthened national implementation and monitoring of the strategic framework and action plan. The technical assistance supports the annual meeting of the Working Group on HRD (WGHRD) to identify areas of regional cooperation, share knowledge and experiences and enhance regional networks and partnerships in HRD.
- 3. The 14th Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD-14) held in Siem Reap, Cambodia in November 2015 confirmed the need to strengthen vital linkages among skills, knowledge and labor markets. As the GMS HRD SFAP 2013-2017 enters its third year of implementation, a review of its accomplishments and institutional arrangements will address the challenges of coordinating multiple government agencies under the health, education, labor and migration and social development subgroups and will discuss the future HRD agenda to fully harness the benefits and mitigate the associated risks of greater regional integration.
- 4. At the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD-15), the theme, Regional cooperation in human resource development: Spurring knowledge, skills and innovation in the Greater Mekong Subregion, proposes a cooperation framework for intensive knowledge-sharing and labor market information sharing using new technologies for skills and knowledge acquisition. In particular, WGHRD-15 will bring together officials, industry leaders and stakeholders to i) discuss opportunities for exchanging and sharing regional knowledge, experience and lessons learned in HRD cooperation in the GMS and ASEAN; ii) monitor and assess on-going regional HRD cooperation initiatives in higher education and TVET; iii) highlight achievements of R-PATA 8549; iv) discuss regional dimensions of national HRD projects; and v) and review the GMS HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan 2013-2017 strategic directions for the health, education, social development and labor and migration subgroups.



Greater Mekong Subregion Human Resource Development Strategic Framework and Action Plan 2013-2017: http://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/institutional-document/33966/files/gms-sfap-hrd-2013-2017.pdf

R-PATA 8549: Implementing the GMS HRD SFAP 2013-2017 (Phase 2) http://adb.org/sites/default/files/projdocs/2013/46071-001-tar.pdf

15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD-15) 13-14 December 2016, Kunming, Yunnan, PRC

## Welcome Remarks Mr. Li Rui Deputy Director Department of International Cooperation Ministry of Finance, PRC

Ms. Ayako Inagaki, Director, SEHS; Xinning Jia, Country Director, PRC Resident Mission, PRC; distinguished delegates, good morning.

It is my great pleasure to be in Kunming joining all of you to the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development. First of all, as host country for the meeting, on behalf of the Chinese delegation, as well as my department, the Department of Economic and Financial Cooperation of the Ministry of Finance, PRC, I would like to extend my sincere welcome to all of you. Also, I would like to thank ADB and the Yunnan Financial Department for your great efforts in organizing the meeting.

Over the past decades, with concerted efforts of member countries, the ADB and many development partners, as well as private sectors, GMS plays an important role on subregional integration as well as economic and social development of GMS countries.

Let me name a few. Infrastructure connectivity under relevant institutional arrangement has made good progress. The implementation of the Regional Investment Framework and Implementation Plan (RIF-IP) is well underway. The GMS Railway Association has been established. In addition, cooperation in meeting emerging areas such as organization and cross-border economic zones have made progress as well. In particular, the cooperation in soft areas, including our working group is also going forward.

Dear delegates, the global economy still needs deep adjustment process. Facing this complex and external environment, it is worth thinking how to tap the GMS cooperation mechanism, including the HR working group, to help member countries resist external risks and promote economic cooperation and development in the subregion. I would like to take this opportunity to share my thoughts on two aspects: First, strengthening cooperation in soft areas like culture, tourism, and human

resources is indispensable for our common path or future connectivity, its just one of the basics. People to people, heart to heart connectivity are more important. Second, during the just concluded 21<sup>st</sup> Ministerial Conference, ministers are thinking about how to improve the institutional arrangements for better, more efficient GMS cooperation. I think the Human Resource Development Working Group needs to tap this opportunity to seriously consider how to improve our working group efficiency and effectiveness. To my point of view, the current structure of the working group is a little complex with at least five relevant ministries get involved. For which we have to pay greater attention on efforts on coordination. If we could narrow down our scope at this stage, focus more on fewer, easier to demonstrate deliverables and make tangible progress step by step. Maybe we can do our job better and build up the strong reputation of our working group.

Ladies and gentlemen, China is willing to deepen cooperation with GMS countries, and jointly push the economic region to a new level and therefore make positive contribution to long-term prosperity, stability and development in the region. At last, let me conclude my welcome remarks by wishing the meeting constructive and successful and wish all of you to enjoy your stay in Kunming. Thank you very much.

15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD-15) 13-14 December 2016, Kunming, Yunnan, PRC

## Opening Remarks Ms. Ayako Inagaki Director, Human and Social Development Division Southeast Asia Department, ADB

Good morning everyone. First of all, on behalf of ADB, I would like to extend my gratitude to the Chinese delegation, represented by Mr. Li, to host the working group meeting. I see some familiar faces but also I see new faces. So in that sense, let me first give you a brief history of our working group. The Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD) was established at the Fifth Ministerial Conference in 1995. It promotes human resources development cooperation in the subregion. This working group is started with key strategic document. In 2009, the working group WGHRD developed the first strategic framework and action plan and in 2012, the GMS ministers endorsed the current strategic framework and action plan. The strategic framework and action plan aims for sustainable human and resources development by contributing to increased competitiveness in the subregion, connectivity and community.

So this week, we are gathering together for the 15<sup>th</sup> time from across the Mekong to reflect on the work that we have achieved towards this objective through sharing examples of our successes and learning from our challenges and generating ideas moving forward. As Mr. Li mentioned I think this is also a very good opportunity to look critically into how efficiently this working group has been working to achieve its outcome of subregional cooperation in human resources development.

Now, let me give you some highlight of the ADB support to the subregion. The ADB has supported this working group in the areas of education, health, social development and labor and migration. In education sector, ADB supported the work of the ASEAN University network to establish standards through Quality Assurance System, the establishment of an academic transfer system framework for Asia among the GMS universities and the creation of the GMS University Consortium comprising 24 GMS universities. This is to foster networking among higher education institutions in the subregion. In the area of technical vocational education and training, ADB supported new framework for mutual recognition of skills,

standards, and qualifications in the GMS countries three skills areas, as well as a system for mutual recognition of TVET teacher training standard.

In the health sector, the subregion is quite active as well. ADB has strengthened the region's ability to fight against HIV/AIDS. Some of the initiatives we have supported include developing provincial and district level capacity to manage and deliver HIV prevention services, creating more learning tools for mainstreaming HIV programming into infrastructure sector projects and supporting HIV services delivery for migrant and mobile populations. Intervention target key population at higher risk of HIV exposure in the cross border areas, improve access to community outreach among the target populations and build effective and sustainable regional cooperation to strengthen a collective HIV response. With the focus along the border areas and the economic corridors in the GMS, the ADB has been supporting Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Viet Nam with a project with a timely and adequate control of communicable diseases of regional relevance.

An additional technical assistance spending also pilots measures that address gaps in combating multidrug resistance and improving national malaria programs. Very recently, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, the ADB approved a US\$125 million loan and grant for countries Cambodia, Lao, Myanmar and Viet Nam to strengthen regional health security. The five-year project will include regional cooperation and communicable diseases control in border areas. It will strengthen national diseases surveillance and outbreak response system and improve laboratory services and hospital infection prevention and control across the region.

Now you as see in education and health are quite active in the subregion. Now in the area of migration, ADB has increased awareness for safe migration issues among labor migrants, in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration. In the social development subsector, ADB financed social impact assessments on connectivity and regional integration. Some of the activities include in-depth profiling of the vulnerabilities and risks of migrants, including female migrant access to HIV/AIDS services via addressing gender specific risks that this population face.

Since then, support for social development as well as for labor and migration sectors have been integrated into project design in health and education subsectors. The goal of the GMS HRD Strategy is to contribute towards the vision of a GMS that

fulfills its vast potential, frees its people from poverty and provides sustainable development opportunities for all citizens, including, in particular, women and ethnic minorities. Its objectives are to promote and sustain economic growth and social development and enhance poverty reduction by delivering the benefits of subregional cooperation and integration in a more equitable manner.

The implementation of the strategy faces challenges. I think we have been meeting and working together for a couple of years and this is really the time to face it. One of the challenges observed was the multi-sector nature of the working group. Which means we need to collaborate across ministries that add another layer of coordination effort. Mr. Li mentioned around five ministries collaborating together. While each give commitment, as we all know, it is also taking a lot of time for coordination. Another coordination issue, the working group has made quite limited effort to collaborate with the other GMS working groups, and as such has not benefitted from the shared knowledge and experience. We also recognize that the range of ADB support for the four subsectors was uneven due to the range of interest and distribution of support. In education initiative, particularly in technical and vocational education and training, the support we are providing are typically for national projects. Some of the national project includes a regional component but the regional cooperation aspect is not captured as such. It is not really presented up front. Likewise, national support for the working group has also been in fluctuation. Some are actively engaged and I would like to express gratitude for some participants who have really been very active throughout these years. Some working groups are slightly less engaged. These are the challenges that I am sure is not only typical for our working group but a challenge that exist. We should really take it forward and address these challenges. Earlier before this meeting, we have asked you to come prepared to discuss ways to address these challenges and to review the relevance of the different subsector working groups in light of shifting priorities or national agenda. First, to identify the HRD initiatives that will lay the foundation of the next strategic framework and action plan and also to recommend the future direction of the entire GMS regional cooperation. Again, I thank the advise of Mr. Li on how in general we can improve the institutional arrangement for subregional cooperation.

It will be very good that at the end of the workshop, we have been able to first identify meaningful opportunities for sharing regional knowledge and experience and we are learning from the on-going cooperation initiative, particularly those of the subgroup working group working in higher education, technical and vocational education and training and see what are the achievements. Let us learn from the successes and challenges from the ADB technical assistance that can form the foundation for the next strategic framework. Let us understand how the regional dimension of national project can amplify the result in regional cooperation. Finally, let's understand the value and achievement, as well as the challenge of the entire 2013-2017 strategic framework and action plan.

As you know the current framework from 2013-2017 will conclude by the end of next year. So we hope that the result of the session today and tomorrow will feed into the next concept paper for the new strategic framework and action plan 2018-2022. I recognize that we have additional work to do starting from next year as well. So by the end of this workshop, we hope that we reach a common understanding of how the working group should move forward together into the next strategic framework and action plan. Again, thank you for coming today. Let's have honest, frank discussions on how to improve working together in subregional cooperation. Thank you.

The 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Working Group on Human Resource Development Kunming, Yunnan, PRC 13-14 December 2016

Opening Statement
Xinning Jia
Deputy Country Director
PRC Resident Mission

Director Li of the Ministry of Finance, colleagues from China's ministries and agencies, distinguished guests from GMS countries, friends from development partners and agencies, ADB colleagues, ladies and gentlemen

We thank you very much for joining us and gathering here in the beautiful city of Kunming for the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Greater Mekong Subregion Working Group on Human Resource Development. We thank China's Ministry of Finance and Yunnan Finance Bureau for supporting and organizing this very important event. Today's event is part of regional cooperation and integration activities supported by ADB. We at ADB are proud to make substantial contributions to promoting regional cooperation and integration in Asia and Pacific Region. In supporting regional cooperation, ADB has played four distinctive roles. First, as an international institution, we provide financing resources including lending and technical assistance to various regional cooperation projects. Second, we generate and disseminate knowledge and information on regional cooperation and integration to developing countries. Third, we support countries and regional bodies in building their institutional capacity to better manage regional cooperation and integration. Fourth, we act as a catalyst and coordinator of regional cooperation to help bridge gaps and reach consensus.

Over the years, ADB has been supporting various regional cooperation programs in Asia, including the Greater Mekong Subregion Economic Cooperation, Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation, Southasia Subregional Cooperation, Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Philippines east ASEAN Growth Area, Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand Growth Triangle and most recently China Pan-Beibu Economic Cooperation. Also, I have to say, early in the year, ADB has approved a new country partnership strategy covering 2016-2020 to China. Under this new country partnership

strategy, regional cooperation and integration continues to be one of ADB's priority operation areas in the next few years, guiding ADB's operation in the country. Our country partnership strategy is very much aligned with the 13<sup>th</sup> five-year plan. We closely support three major national strategies: first, the Beijing Area Air Pollution Control Program; second, Yangtze River Economic Development; third, regional cooperation and integration or One Belt, One Road initiative.

Through the country program and partnership 2016-2020, ADB is committed to deepen the partnership with China and together with the government, we help to address the country's economic, social, demographic and environmental challenges. So here, I am very happy to mention several flagship programs that ADB supported to the country in late last year and this year. For example, the first policy-based lending to China to support Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei Air Pollution Program, was approved last year, December 2015 for US\$ 300 million and also our very first results-based lending program in supporting technical vocational program in Guizhou Province. Very recently, we had a new regional cooperation and integration project approved, which is multitranch facility to support regional cooperation and integration in Guangxi Province. Very lately, actually yesterday morning, ADB Board approved 2 more new projects for this year's lending to China. One is our second tranch Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei Air Pollution Program, which is a financial intermediary program for US\$ 500 million and another pilot demonstrative program in supporting elderly care development through public-private partnership project. This is actually a very first financial international institution loan lending project to support elderly care in the country through PPP. So it is a very significant development.

Also if I may share with everybody, this year is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ADB's establishment since 1966 and meantime is also the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ADB and China's partnership. So last month in November, we, together with the Ministry of Finance, held high-level event in Shanghai to commemorate our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. For the past 30 years, ADB has provided nearly US\$ 35 billion in loans to support vital infrastructure, investments in transportation, water and other urban infrastructure, agriculture, power generation and renewable energy in China. It was also remarked that China's rapid growth and development was built on a foundation of massive capital investments, sound macroeconomic management, investments in health and education,

good governance, market system reforms, and open trade and investment relations with partner countries. Indeed, it was fully recognized that China has become a model of economic transformation in the region.

Meanwhile, we also noted the transformation role of the country from a financial recipient to financier in ADB and we also acknowledged China's growing financial contribution to ADB operations. All these make China a valuable partner in the subregion's development. A number of initiatives have benefitted from China's Regional Cooperation and Poverty Trust Fund, which was established in 2005 at ADB. Actually, our human resource development working group is one of the recipient of these fund, which has enabled us to improve collaboration in higher and technical vocational education and training, health security, food and drug safety, safe migration, skills training and social development. The funds from the PRC Regional Cooperation and Poverty Trust Fund has likewise financed ADB's Regional Knowledge Sharing Initiative, which is actually operated at our resident mission in China, which is based in Beijing. Through the initiative, we supported China to share its development experience and knowledge with other developing countries, including our Greater Mekong Subregion countries.

Finally, this year's meeting theme, Spurring regional cooperation: Enhancing knowledge, skills and innovation in the Greater Mekong Subregion, captures the aspirations of working together in improving the lives of millions of people living in the region. Participants will learn from ADB- supported programs and initiatives in Guangxi and Guizhou Provinces later today. These experiences highlight China's work in the promotion of innovation and knowledge-led development. We hope to share with you meaningful learning opportunities and takeaways from our distinguished and worthy speakers over the next day and a half.

Lastly, I wish the event a great success, Thank you very much for inviting me to the meeting today.

# Appendix 4 Presentation in Session 1: Regional cooperation overview







## 21st GMS Ministerial Conference and RIF-IP 2020

Jyotsana Varma, ADB Pinsuda Alexander, ADB

15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Greater Mekong Subregion Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD) 13-14 December 2016, Kunming, PRC

## **Outline of Presentation**

- 1. Report on the 21<sup>st</sup> GMS Ministerial Conference
- 2. Mid-Term Review & 3<sup>rd</sup> Progress Report of Regional Investment Framework (RIF-IP) 2014-2018 with RIF-IP 2020.







### 21st GMS MC: Theme and Events

**Theme:** "Spurring Inclusive Growth Along the GMS Economic Corridors".

#### **Events:**

- 1.GMS Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM) held 30 Nov (am);
- 2.Development Partners' Meeting (DPM) held 30 Nov (pm);
- 3.GMS Ministerial Meeting (MM) held 1 Dec (am); and
- 4.GMS Ministerial Retreat held in the afternoon of 1 Dec.







### Senior Officials' Meeting Report to the Ministers: HRD

- Frameworks for mutual recognition of skills being developed and expanded to various skill areas.
- Good progress achieved to implement the Quality Assurance System using established ASEAN University Network standards, and to establish an Academic Credit Transfer System Framework for Asia among GMS universities.
- GMS University Consortium consisting of 24 GMS universities established to further foster networking in tertiary education.
- A new Strategic Framework and Action Plan being prepared to guide future cooperation toward the realization of the SDGs in the HRD sector.
- Communicable disease control & management strengthened & Joint Action Program for better HIV services access improved.

## 21st MC Joint Ministerial Statement: HRD Sector

"In **Human Resource Development**, frameworks for the **mutual recognition** of skills and qualifications have been expanded to cover additional skill areas, namely logistics, machinery, and food processing, to increase the efficiency and productivity of our workers.

On **education**, good progress has been made to implement the Quality Assurance System using the established ASEAN University Network standards, and to establish an Academic Credit Transfer System Framework for Asia among GMS universities. A GMS University Consortium consisting of 24 GMS universities has also been established to further foster networking in tertiary education among GMS member countries.

We also note the launching of a new **capacity building program** for our government officials to promote regional connectivity, building on the success of the Phnom Penh Plan for Development Management. This new program covers not only GMS countries, but also other ASEAN countries that are members of the Indonesia Malaysia Thailand Growth Triangle (IMT-GT) and Brunei-Darussalam Indonesia Malaysia Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA), enhancing south-south learning, and the exchange of good practices.

In the **Health** sector, communicable disease control and management was further strengthened, including implementation of malaria and tuberculosis prevention and treatment initiatives for migrant and mobile populations in Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Myanmar; and the Joint Action Program to provide better access to HIV and health services for migrants."

## Joint Ministerial Statement Way Forward Directives for HRD

"Likewise, as the Strategic Framework and Action Plan for Human Resource Development in the GMS draws to a close in 2017, we look forward to a new blueprint for our future cooperation toward the realization of the SDGs in this sector.

HRD will continue to be a priority, with continuing efforts toward the development and implementation of capacity-building, formal and vocational training, worker and skills accreditation, and health promotion and disease prevention programs that will help enhance the well-being, opportunities, and mobility of the subregion's human resources. "

## Report on MC-21 (1)

- Recommendations of the Study on Strengthening the GMS Institutional Framework:
  - agreement to create a regular reporting mechanism from the Working Groups to the GMS SOM to update the SOM on new developments and progress."
  - Organize the ECF back to back with GMS MC-22 in 2017
  - Consider separate working group on GMS Health Cooperation
- Endorsement of *Greater Mekong Subregion Revised* Regional Investment Framework Implementation Plan 2020
- Endorsement of new configuration of GMS economic corridors (Review of Configuration of the Greater Mekong Subregion Economic Corridors)

#### For more info:

https://www.adb.org/news/events/21st-gms-ministerial-conference





### New Configuration of GMS Economic Corridors



New corridors (yellow) will increase coverage in Myanmar and Lao PDR

## Report on MC-21 (2)

- Development Partners meeting:
  - themes and commitments included: climate resilience, adaptation and mitigation; the need for HRD; continued support in Hardware and Software connectivity; and the need for knowledge sharing across countries, regions, and sectors to scale up development in the GMS.
- RIF-IP and private sector: calls for new modalities of financing and more involvement of the private sector (e.g., invite private sector to participate in the WG meetings and discussions so they are more engaged in the regional pipeline).
- RIF-IP 4<sup>th</sup> Progress Report as of end Dec 2016; this will kick off in January 2017 and will require WGHRD support

# Mid-Term Review of Regional Investment Framework 2014-2018 cum 3<sup>rd</sup> Progress Report and RIF-IP 2020

Copy of Mid-term Review and progress of implementation of RIF-IP 2014-2018.

https://www.adb.org/countries/gms/
strategy)

- Mid-term Review shows substantial progress in:
  - Securing financing for 52 out of 93 investment & TA projects valued at US\$26 B (85% of est. total \$30 B)
  - Strengthening country ownership (substantial investments from PRC & Thailand est. at \$19 B)
  - Building partnerships : DPs & private sector co-financing at US\$3.8 B;
    ADB at \$2.9 B



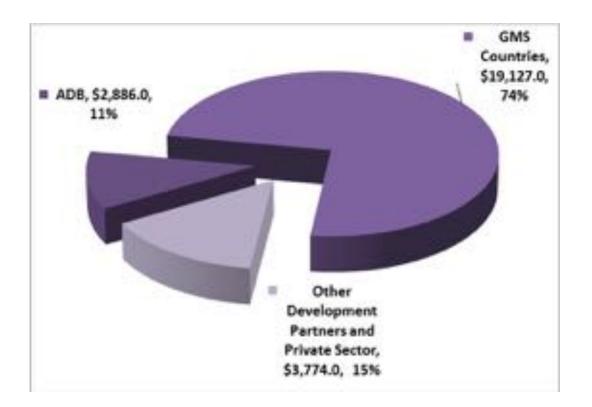
### **Summary of RIF-IP 2020**

	No. of projects		Cost estimate (US\$ million)		Total (US\$ million)	
Sector	Investment	Technical assistance	No.	Investment	Technical assistance	Cost
Transport	42	9	51	28,646.2	8.8	28,655.0
Energy	6	3	9	1,624.0	5.5	1,620.5
Agriculture	2	3	5	405.0	15.0	420.0
Environment	2	2	4	80.0	7.3	87.3
HRD	2	4	6	145.0	12.0	157.0
Urban Development	3	4	7	330.0	3.5	333.5
Other/BEZ	3	2	5	610.0	2.5	512.5
Tourism	5	0	11	588.0	4.7	592.7
TTF	2	3	5	40.0	7.0	47.0
KT	1	3	4	5.0	22.1	27.1
Total	68	39	107	32,561.0	91.5	32,652.5

BEZ = border economic rones, HRD = human resource development, ICT = information and communication technology, TTF = transport and trade facilitation.

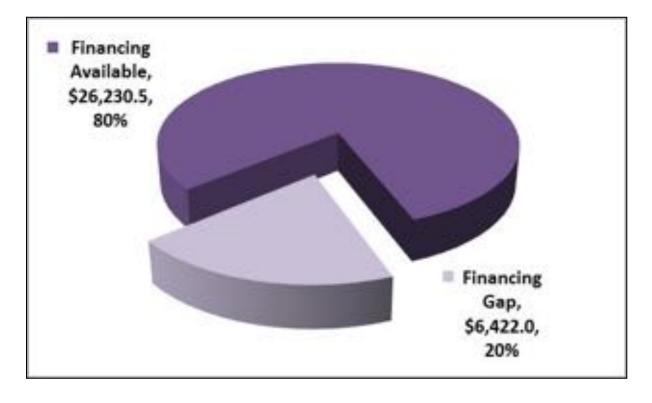
## **RRIF-IP 2020 Financing Status**

	Revised RIF	F-IP, 2014-2020	Financing Available		
Type of Project	No. of projects	Cost Estimate, \$M	No. of projects	Cost Estimate, \$M	
Investment	68	32,561.0	38	26,171.2	
TA	39	91.5	26	59.3	
Total	107	32,652.4	64	26,230.5	



### **RRIF-IP 2020 Financing Gap**

	Revised	RIF-IP 2020	Financing Gap		
Type of Project	No. of projects	Cost Estimate, \$M	No. of projects	Cost Estimate, \$M	
Investment	68	32,561.0	30	6,389.8	
TA	39	91.5	13	32.2	
Total	107	32,652.5	43	6,422.0	



## Status of HRD Projects in RIF-IP 2014-2018 as of 30 June 2016 (1)

Table 11: Status of Human Resource Development Sector Investment Sector Investment and Technical Assistance Projects

Code/name of project		Cost and available Country financing coverage (USS million)		Status as of 30 June 2016	
Inv	estment projects				
1	REG-HRD-01 GMS Health Security Project (formerly GMS Communicable Disease Control Project Phase II)	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam	125.0 ADB	Associated PPTAcommenced in May 2015. ADB Board approval for this loan is scheduled on 31 October 2016 and expected completion date is 31 December 2021.	
2	REG-HRD-02 GMS Technical and Vocational Education and Training Development	Cambodia, PRC, Lao PDR, Myanmar	155.4	Proposed to be dropped. National-level TVET projects are ongoing and in the future pipelines of GMS countries to strengthen and modernize national TVET institutions and systems and equip TVET graduates with relevant skills to find employment across borders. ADB's technical assistance also supported development of frameworks for mutual recognition of skills and qualifications in GMS countries for machinery, food processing, and logistics, and preparation of a system for mutual recognition of training standards for TVET teachers in these skill areas.	
Inv	estment project not yet included in the	RIF-IP			
3	REG-HRD-06 Strengthening Local Health Care Support Program	Viet Nam	20.0 ADB	Proposed to be added. Project complements the GMS Health Security Project and is currently programmed for ADS funding in 2018.	

## Status of HRD Projects in RIF-IP 2014-2018 as of 30 June 2016 (2)

Tec	hnical assistance projects			
1	REG-HRD-TA-01 GMS Health Security Project (formerly GMS Communicable Disease Control Project Phase III)	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmat, Vict Nam	1.3 AD3	Implementation commenced on 18 May 2015 and preparatory activities are ongoing in participating countries.
2	REG-HRD-TA-62 GMS Technical and Vocational Education and Training Development	Cambodia, PRC, Lao PDR, Myanmar	10	Proposed to be dropped. The regional TVFT project will no longer be pursued, as national-level TVFT projects are ongoing. See REG-HRD-02 above.
Tec	hnical assistance projects not yet inclu	ded in the RIF-	IP.	
3	REG-HRD-TA-ox Strengthening Resilience to Climate Change in the Health Sector in the Greater Melkong Subregion	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Viet Nam	4.4 NDF ADB	Proposed to be added. Capacity-development technical assistance approved in May 2015. The project commenced on I August 2015 and will finish on 31 December 2018. Details of full project implementation in Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Viet Nam are expected after a regional workship in August 2016 to discuss investment priorities and capacity-building needs for strengthening resilience to climate change in the health sector in the GMS.
4.	REG-HRD-TA-64 Malaria and Communicable Diseases Control in the GMS	All GM5 Countries	4.5 Malaria Trust Hundi ADB	Proposed to be added. The technical assistance is being implemented from 1 October 2015 to 31 December 2017, and supports the regional coordinating unit based in Viantiane and tasked to handle regional coordination and collaboration on malarie and CDC among GMS countries.
5	REG-HRD-TA-os GMS HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan 2013- 3017, Phase 3	All GMS Countries	1.75 PRC Fund ADB	Proposed to be added. The technical assistance is being implemented from December 2013 to December 2017, and supports the implementation of the GMS HIID Strategic Framework and Action Plan 2013–2017.

### HRD Projects in RIF-IP 2020

Table A1.6: Human Resource Development Priority Projects

	Name of project	Country coverage	Cost estimate (US\$ million)	Available financing
inve	estment projects			
1	GMS Health Security Project (formerly Communicable Disease Control Project (Phase III)	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam	125.0	ADB
2	Strengthening Local Health Care Support Program	Viet Nam	20.0	
Teci	hnical assistance projects			
1	PPTA for GMS Health Security Project (formerly GMS Communicable Disease Control Project (Phase III)	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam	1.3	ADB
2	CDTA for Strengthening Resilience to Climate Change in the Health Sector in the Greater Mekong Subregion	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Viet Nam	4.4	NDF ADB
3	Malaria and Communicable Diseases Control (CDC) in the GMS	All GM5 countries	45	Malaria Trust Fund ADB
4	GMS HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan (SFAP) 2013- 2017, Phase 2	All GMS countries	1.75	PRC Fund ADB

PPTA = project preparatory technical assistance.

Source: GMS Secretariat's compilation.

#### Points for Reflection

- Implementation of HRD projects, particularly in the health subsector, shows significant progress.
- Complicated institutional arrangements for TVET pose challenge for project concept development.
- Approach to labor migration cooperation typically bilateral.







### Thank you!

For more information:

https://www.adb.org/countries/gms/strategy

#### Appendix 5

Presentations in Session 2: Working group achievements in education







The 15th Meeting of the GMS Working Group on Human Resource Development

13 – 14 December 2016

Kunming, China PR

**AUN-QA** 

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nantana Gajaseni
AUN Executive Director

#### **Background of QA Training in CLM Countries**

#### IAI Project Supporte d by JAIF

- Started in 2010-2011
- Under the IAI project supported by Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF).
- 1 training workshop was conducted in each of the CLMV countries

#### **ADB PHASE 1**

- Started in 2012
- Support from ADB
- 2 training workshops were held in each of the CLM countries.
- The training workshops focused on Self-Assessment Report (SAR) writing and site assessment training.

#### **ADB PHASE 2**

- Started in 2014 2016
- Continuous support by ADB
- The 1<sup>st</sup> training workshop was held in 2014 & it was involved participants that participated in IAI + phases1of QA training.
- workshops was held in 2015 & 2016 respectively.
- The workshops aimed to train new trainees from CLM u niversities







# The 3-year Project on Strengthening Capacity of University y QA System towards Uplifting Higher Education Quality in GMS Countries 2014 – 2016 (Phase 2)

#### **Objective:**

- Enhance and strengthen the knowledge on QA system implementation and management particularly based on AUN-QA system.
- Build up the big pool of qualified University QA personnel team in CLM countries,
- Establish QA system and ensure QA implementation to leverage the quality of education management in CLM countries, and
- Provide countries with higher education quality recognition for harmonising university QA system to ensure applicability across ASEAN.





#### **Methodology and Key Activities**









## From 2014 – 2016, AUN-QA Secretariat has conducted 16 activities

#### **Year 2014**

- 3 On-site Consultancy Visit in CLM Countries
- 3 Capacity Development Workshop in CLM Count ries

#### **Year 2016**

- 3 Capacity Development Workshop in CLM Count ries
- Publication of translated QA handbooks (Khmer, L aotian, and Burmese)











#### **Year 2015**

- 3 On-site Consultancy Visit in CLM Countries
- 3 Capacity Development Workshop in CLM Countries
- 1 AUN-QA Roadshow in Ca mbodia





#### AUN-QA Secretariat has conducted 6 activities in 2014

- 3 AUN-QA Training Workshop in CLM Countries
  - 3 AUN-QA Documentation Project Meeting



#### Cambodia

24 participants from 5 Uni versities &

from Government Sector at tended the training

#### Lao PDR

26 participants from 2
Universities attended the training

#### **Myanmar**

25 participants from 10
Universities attended the training

#### AUN-QA Secretariat has conducted 7 activities in 2015

- 3 AUN-QA Training Workshop in CLM Countries
  - 3 AUN-QA Documentation Project Meeting

1 AUN-QA Roadshow Event in Cambodia

**AUN-QA Roadshow Event** 

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**52** participants from **35** Universities &

#### Cambodia **47** participants from **30** U niversities & from Government Sector at tended the training Lao PDR UN-QA ts from 2 acity of University Quality tended the nar s from 17 ttended the ηg

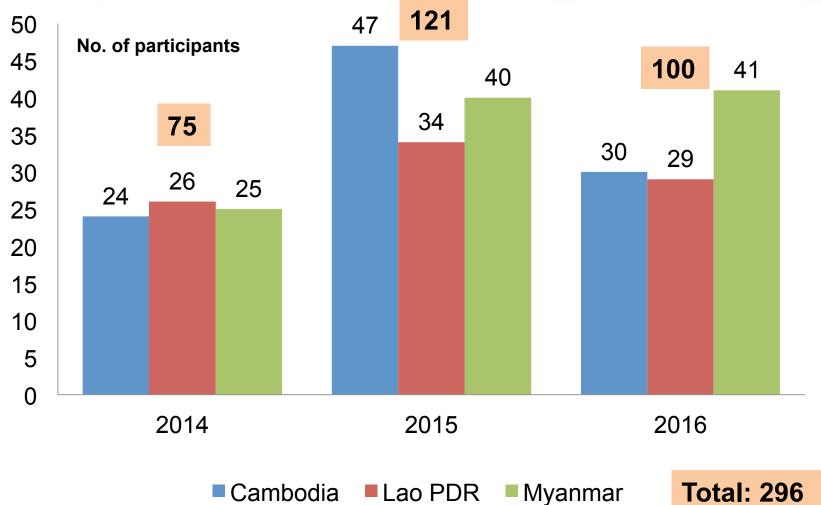
AUN-QA Secretariat has conducted 3 activities in 2016 with Publication of translated QA handbooks (in 3 local languages: Khmer, Laos, and Burmese)

3 AUN-QA Training Workshop in CLM Countries



## AUN-QA Training Workshop in CLM Countries Analysis









## Summary of Outcomes of Two Phases of ADB Projects

**(2**)



Better understanding
on knowledge system in
relation to QA with the handon experience to engage in
actual programme assessment b
ased on selected case studies

The established QA instruments, systems, and mechanism, and the documentation of a QA handbooks in local language that were tailored and developed to be compatible with the education system of each country

Creating of, and expansion for the network of QA practitioners

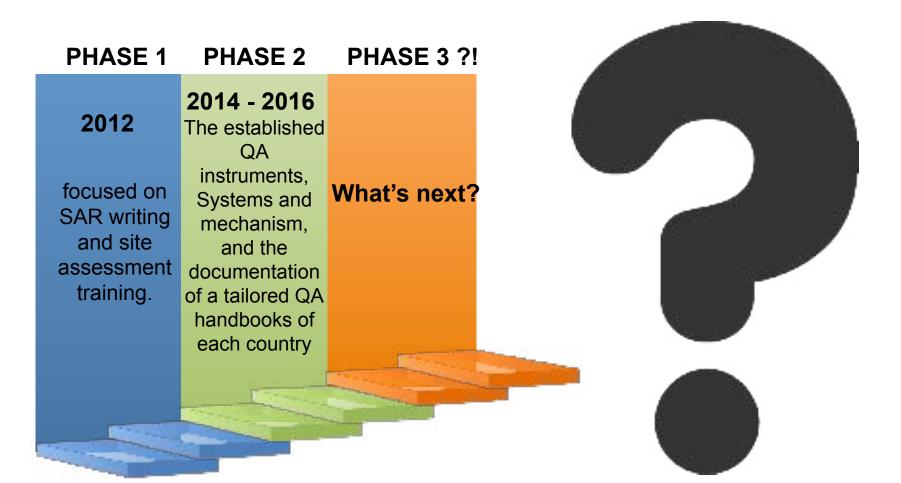
The expected quality assurance system, mechanisms, and quality culture were established.





#### WHAT'S NEXT?

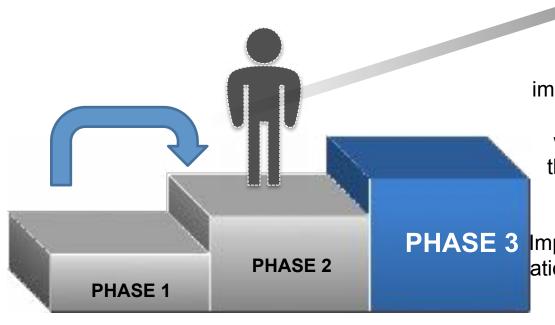








#### 3-year Project on Enhancement of University Quality Assurance System Implementation in GMS Countries (Phase 3: 2017 - 2019)



This new phase will provide
a tailor-made
training and assistance to
implement *QA system at institutional/u*niversity level to those universities
which have already been involved in
the previous phases and will have the
evaluation of the QA systems and
processes after the
Implementation in each universities and n
ational conference in each country will be
held to share QA experiences
and practices at the national level





#### **PHASE 3 OBJECTIVES**

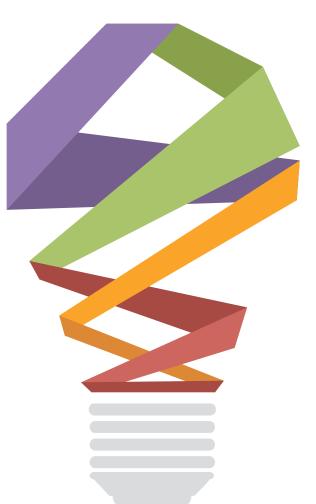


Supporting the national

QA trainers for
enhancing QA knowledge s

ystem as well as

QA institutional system





#### **Objective 3**

Providing a mentoring and consulting to university QA team for p ossibly establishing and conducting their internal self-assessment



#### **Objective 2**

Assisting selected universities on setting up the QA unit and/or system that will be able to implement the QA system at university level



#### **Objective 4**

Evaluation of the QA systems and processes implemented by the participating universities via peer assessment





#### Implementation Arrangements

#### Cycle 1

4 days training workshop on "Train the National Trainers" for each country

#### Cycle 2

- Consulting and coaching of chosen QA systems and processes of participating universities covering 3-day of 5 visits per country
- Mentoring and Supporting for possible establishing and conducting internal Self-assessment

#### Cycle 3

- Evaluating QA systems and processes after implemented the QA systems and process
  - Final Conference in each country



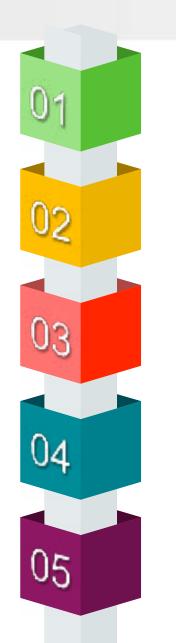




### **Expected Outcomes**







Universities will be able to relate their own QA system to AQAF requirements

A pool of national QA trainers

Enhance the existing QA offices and system in CLM universities

Establish and implement self-assessment at respective universities

Evaluate the objectives and benefits of QA systems and practices implemented at the participating universities











Harmonization

Higher Education



#### **Forwarding Higher Education Cooperation**

Development of Academic Credit Transfer Framework for Asia (ACTFA) and GMS University Consortium (GMS-UC)

Aom Pattanotai
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At the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Greater Mekong Subregion Working Group on Human Resources Development (WGHRD-15) 13-14 December 2016, Yunnan, P.R. China

#### Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization

#### **Regional Centre for Higher Education & Development**





#### SEAMEO RIHED

The SEAMEO regional centre for higher education and development

Originally founded as the Regional Institute of Higher Talucation and Development in Singupore in 1959. RIHED was reorganised and established in Thailand in 1993, as a regional centre of SEAMEO.



#### SEAMEO RIHED's Scope of Work: The "BIG PICTURE"

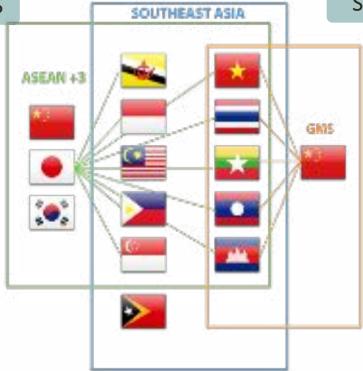
### Facilitating policy dialogues + Developing harmonization mechanisms + Promoting multilateral collaboration in the region and beyond

#### **Governing Board MEETINGS**



#### 5 Years Development Plan (2012-2017) Programs serving 5 objectives

- 1. Empowering Higher Education Institutions
- 2. Developing Harmonization Mechanisms
- 3. Cultivating Globalized Human Resources
- 4. Advancing Knowledge Frontiers In Higher Education System Management
- 5. Promoting University Social Responsibility And Sustainable Development



#### **Regional Seminars**

- SEA-HiEd Leaders Forum Series (back-to-back with DGs/SG/CHE)
- SEAMEO RIHED Regional Seminars (back-to-back to GBM)

#### **SEA-SOM HIED MEETINGS**



Promoting Harmonization of HE in SEA Region through 4 priority areas:

- 1. Academic Mobility
- 2. Leadership Development
- 3. E-Learning and Mobile Learning
- 4. ASEAN Research
  Clusters and ASEAN
  Citation Index (ARC and ACI)



## SEAMEO RIHED **ASIAN** DEVELOPMENT BANK(ADB)







## + Forwarding Higher Education Cooperation of the Greater Mekong Subregion





SEAMEO RIHED and the ADB have common aims

- To improve cooperation and networking of higher education institutions so as
- to foster higher education harmonisation within the GMS countries and beyond



SEAMEO RIHED's implementation on the Greater Mekong
Subregion (GMS) Human
Resource Development
Strategic Framework and
Action Plan (Phase 2) with the support from the ADB



Under 7 Strategic Thrusts of the GMS HRD Strategy (iii) Cooperating in higher education and research

ACTFA

**GMS-UC** 

## + Forwarding Higher Education Cooperation of the Greater Mekong Subregion





IMPACTS, which will lead to





- 1) Strengthen manpower for national development
- Bridge the gap of both socioeconomic performance between GMS and other ASEAN members,
- 3) Unify the efforts to achieve vision and mission of being ASEAN Community.



Academic Credit Transfer
Framework in Asia(ACTFA)
&
the GMS-University

Consortium (GMS-UC)









Kick off Meeting of the GMS-UC and ACTFA Projects and Signing Ceremony of GMS-UC for Collaboration and Excellence, 8 – 9 July 2015, Vientiane, Lao PDR

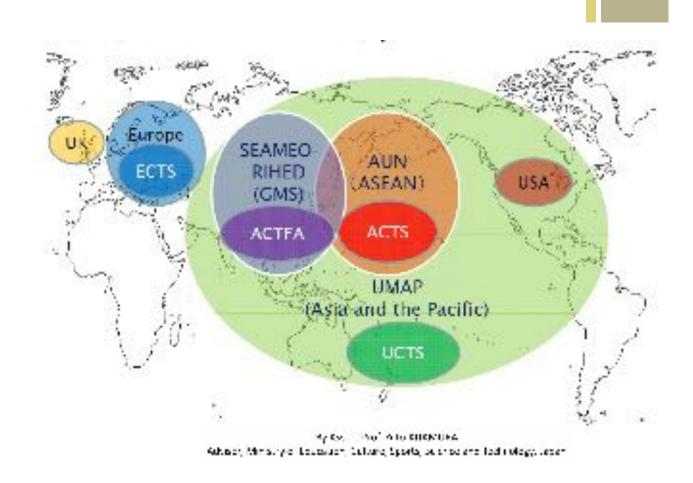




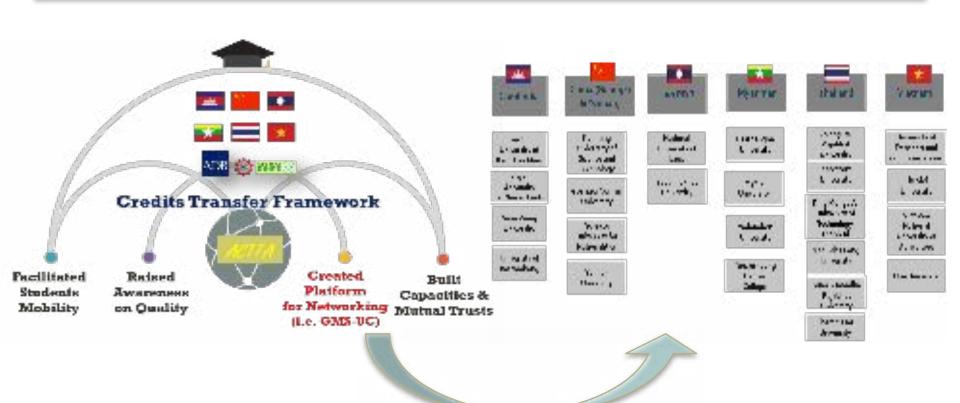
+ Credit Transfer serves as one of the core Instruments → Increase Students Mobility → Academic Mobility → Free flow of human resources

# Regional Credits Transfer Framework

Due to rigid formula of CT at both regional and international levels, it is needed to develop a framework that can accommodate different requirements and recognition of higher education institutions (HEIs).



The ACTFA project is aimed at 1) providing means to the participating countries for harmonizing existing credit transfer arrangements in higher education; 2) developing a university network in GMS countries (e.g. GMS-UC) as a cooperation mechanism toward the GMS community and beyond.



#### **ACTFA** Implementation Plan

EXPLORE

Action Research: Building a Common Credit Transfer System for the Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS) and Beyond

EXPERIMENT

Academic Credit Transfer Framework for Asia (ACTFA) piloted among nominated universities in GMS countries

3 EXPERIENCE Analysis and comparison between existing national credit transfer practices and ACTFA to determine compatibility

EXPAND

ACTFA endorsed at regional level and adopted at national levels with possibilities to expand to Asia 2014: Action Research on Harmonization & Notworking in HE: Building a Common Credit Transfer System for the GMS and beyond.

 2015: Kick-Off Meeting of ACTFA and GMS-UC Projects, in Vientiane, Lao
 PDR

 2016: ACTFA Technical Workshops to support ACTFA implementation conducted in 5 GMS countries

 2017: Forming National Credit Transfer Framework, Developing Manual, and Disseminating Framework







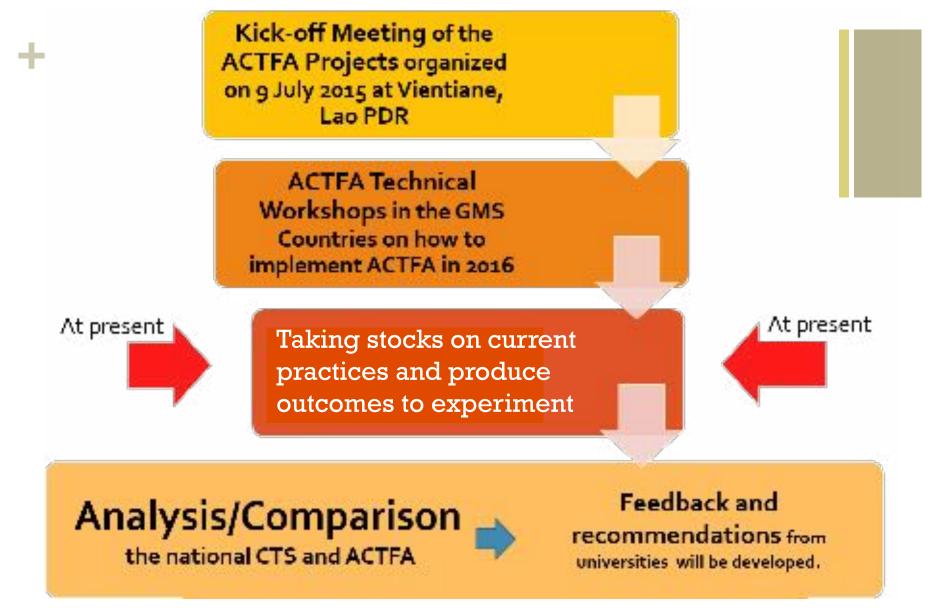






SEAMEO RIHED has been conducting the Experiment phase of the ACTFA Project and organized ACTFA Technical Workshops throughout Lao PDR (24-25 February 2016), Vietnam (26-27 February 2016), Cambodia (g-10 March 2016), Myanmar (17-18 March 2016) and Thailand (20-21 May 2016).

These Workshops were led by an International Resource Person, Prof. Dr. Taiji Hotta, Vice President of Hiroshima University and Dr. Chantavit Sujatanond, Centre Director of SEAMEO RIHED.



Future steps is to endorse at Regional Level and adopt the framework at National Level



# The GMS University Consortium (GMS-UC)

Aims to help strengthen and accelerate cross-border collaboration among universities in the GMS countries as well as to develop regional platform for HEIs and lead to harmonize higher education in Southeast Asia

SEAMEO RIHED facilitated the establishment of the GMS-UC with 24 universities nominated by their respective governments













#### Key areas of collaboration include

- Faculty exchange
- University governance and social responsibility
- Credit transfer
- Information sharing
- · Talent cultivation,
- OA and
- Research collaboration.



#### **GMS-UC:** Greater Mekong Sub-region University Consortium





# Capacity Building

in various espects of university management and leaderships



In line with the ACTFA project, capacity building activities have been planned for the GMS-UC that emphasize **leadership development** and curriculum design in order to strengthen and accelerate cross-border collaboration and excellence among universities in the GMS.

These capacity-building workshops use Thailand as the training ground and target university stakeholders, such as executives and administrators, presidents, deans and directors as well as staff from International Relations Offices (IROs) from the 24 member universities.

#### Capacity Building Workshops

Leadership Development





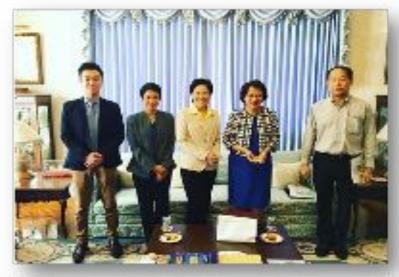


Curriculum Design





Consultation Meeting for the Workshop on University Leadership for the GMS-UC 4 March 2016, Penang, Malaysia





The Presidents' Forum on Strategic Leadership for New Normal Leaders 27-29 June 2016, Bangkok, Thailand The SEAMEO RIHED Workshop on "Curriculum Design, Development and Evaluation" for Universities in the Greater Mekong Sub-Region (GMS), 3-6 October 2016, Bangkok, Thailand.









# How you would like the GMS-UC Working Mechanisms developed? How could member countries work together?

#### By:

- **1.Enhancing collaboration; strengthening cooperation** between GMS-UC institutions in a number of areas
- **2.Arranging meetings** such as the annual meeting (rotational basis) members can share needs and priorities can have discussion at two levels (Government and Institutional)
- **3.More funding allocated** Governments should set aside budget; Universities should set aside budget
- **4.More Universities/ members** to join the consortium build a stronger consortium
- **9.Establishing a journal** to cover GMS research projects, collaborative work, credit systems
- 10.Strengthening links between researchers, research collaboration, and research development
- 11.Encouraging Universities to transfer knowledge from workshops and meetings through organised trainings in their institutions

Beside CT, the top 5 priorities that need to be done/ developed/promoted as a priority in order to harmonize higher education systems among the GMS-UC members

- 1. University Governance
- 2. Quality Assurance
- 3. Information Sharing
- 4. Faculty Exchange & visiting experts,
- 5. Student Mobility & Talent Cultivation

### **Future Support**



Connecting GMS countries through Human Resources Development



Coordinating Higher Education and Research

At present under R-PATA 8549 with SEAMEO RIHED

- ✓ Credit Transfers (ACTFA Experiment Phase)
- ✓ Capacities Building (Leadership & Corricolom Development)





GMS → ASEAN
seek to further
leverage capacities
of member
countries to move
forward together as
a Region

#### ACTEA

- → Phase 3: Experience Phase
- → Phase 4: Expand Phase

#### GM5-UC Capacities Building

- Research Collaborations
- → Internationalization (HEIs level)





## Thank You Very Much

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### SEAMEO RIHED

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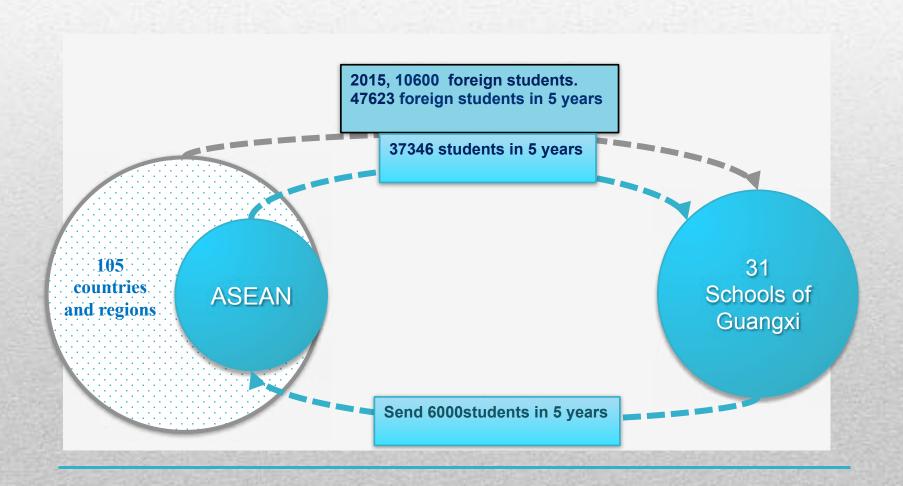
# TVET Regional exchanges and cooperation in Guangxi

Wan Fengfeng

**Education Department of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Vocational and Adult Education division** 

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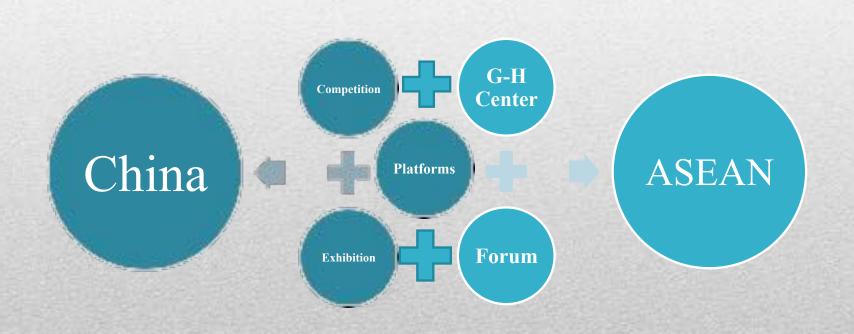
a. Foreign students





#### I . Development of Internationalization in Vocational Education

#### b. Regional exchange platforms





#### e.g. China-ASEAN Vocational Education Exhibition and Forum



2015 China-ASEAN Vocational Education Exhibition and Forum



#### I . Development of Internationalization in Vocational Education

c. Scientific technology and research cooperation with ASEAN

—9 Training Centers

—Support Enterprises' Going Abroad



- e.g. Liuzhou Railway Vocational Technical College
- —Cooperated with SGMW
- —Railway project in Thailand, Lao, Indonesia, Russian, Mongolia.



- e.g. Guangxi Agriculture Vocational
  College offers agricultural science
  service to ASEAN:
- —China-ASEAN Agriculture Training Center
- —Guangxi Modern Agriculture Exhibition Center (Bagui Garden)
- —5 Demonstration Center for Modern Agriculture Science in ASEAN



Laos National General secretary Boungnang inspecting the Experimental Station



Hybrid maize varieties HK4 passed the examination in Vietnam, and HK28 hybrid rice seeds planted in Vietnam



Students studied in Thailand



#### II. Trend of Regional exchanges and cooperation

During the 13thfive-year plan,

**Plan on Cultivating Overseas TVET Students** Plan on TVET Cooperation with ASAEN Plan on TVET Exchange and Cooperation with Developed countries Plan on Introducing and Training TVET teachers



#### III. Brief introduction of Proposed Results Based Loan: Guangxi Modern TVET Development Demonstration Program

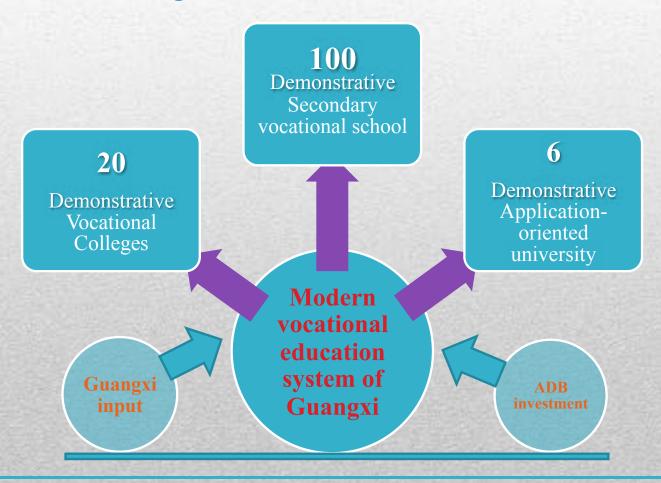
- a. Project overview
- —\$300 million financing from ADB.
- —\$200 million co-financing from KfW.

- **b.** Project Innovations
- —Large amount of financing.
- —Highly innovative.
- —Demonstration.



#### III. Brief introduction of Proposed Results Based Loan: Guangxi Modern TVET Development Demonstration Program

#### c. Overall target,





#### III. Brief introduction of Proposed Results Based Loan: Guangxi Modern TVET Development Demonstration Program

- d. The fund' using area,
- ——Infrastructure
- ——Facilities & Equipments
- ——Improved capacity





# Thank you

#### Appendix 6

Presentations in Session 3: Challenges to health security in the GMS: new trends in addressing the issues

# Greater Mekong Subregion. Health Security Issues

- Socio economic corridors: mobile populations
- Contact human / animals
- Emerging diseases: SARS, bird flu
- Major donors (global fund) are pulling out
- Remote and mobile population have limited access to health services







### ADB in GMS Health Sector

- Communicable Diseases Control Projects CDC 1 and CDC 2 since 2005
- Artemisinin resistant Malaria project and Tas (Malaria Trust Fund)
- HIV projects and technical assistance (Lao PDR, Viet Nam and Myanmar)
- Health and climate change technical assistance
- GMS Health Security



### ADB in GMS Health Sector

- Project in Viet Nam (health districts investment in Central Highlands Region; Health Human Resources)
- Health Sector Governance in Lao PDR



## **GMS Health Security**

- \$ 125 million loan and grant for 4 countries :
- Cambodia (\$21 million loan),
- Lao PDR (\$ 8 million loan and \$4 million grant),
- Myanmar (\$12 million loan),
- Viet Nam (\$80 million loan).



## GMS Health security

- Investment project focusing on health system strengthening.
- Target border and remote areas in the four countries.
- Target migrant, poor and ethnic populations
- Design follows World Health Organization
   Framework Asia Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases.



## **GMS** Health security

- 1. Regional Cooperation: Information exchange, harmonization of policies for CDC
- 2. Surveillance and Rapid response
- 3. Diagnostic improvement Laboratory quality assurance
- 4. Hospital infection prevention and control





Airport screening

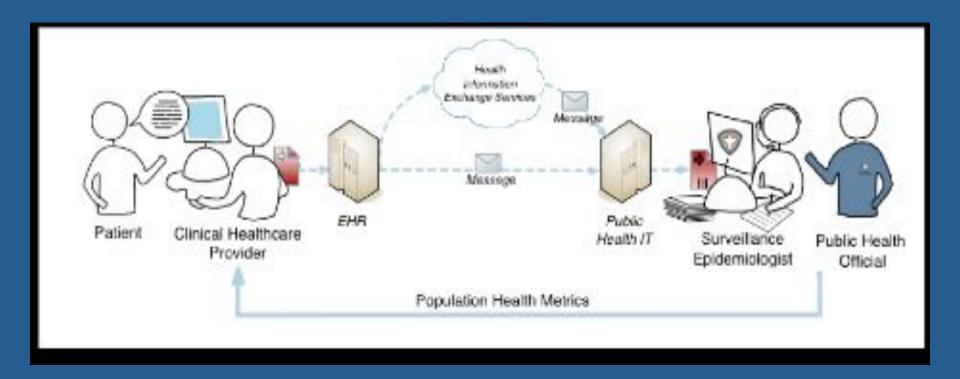


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### Strengthened Syndromic Surveillance





## Outbreak response





## **GMS** Health security

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## Improved diagnostics







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### Health Security Intervention Areas





## Partnerships

- World Health Organization
- Thailand, China
- World Bank, Global Fund



### **THANK YOU**

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Gaps, trends and recommendations addressing MMPs' needs for health security in the GMS

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Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the GMS Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD-15) Kunming, China

13-14 December 2016



## Health security **promotes the development of health systems** that:

- prevent avoidable epidemics (whether natural, accidental, or intentional)
- > detect threats early, and
- respond rapidly and effectively to outbreaks, with effective multi-sectoral, international coordination, communication and key messages in migrant languages.



Focus group discussion with migrants and partners, Cambodia, 2008

The **key drivers of migration** are linked to the **security, social and economic disparities** between countries.

And many threats and challenges of disease epidemics or vulnerabilities of migrants result from the <u>intersection of travel</u>, <u>population mobility</u> and <u>significant disparities in health</u>.



### Why consider MMPs in health security?

### Migrants and mobile populations (MMPs) can have:

- Greater exposure to health security risks (occupation, living conditions)
- · Less access to health care (cost, distance, language, exclusion, discrimination)
  - Less education/knowledge about causes, prevention and treatment

Can be more difficult to target, reach, monitor, treat (especially cross border)



### Migrants have a right to health

- Migration is a **determinant** of ill-health
- MMPs are exposed to patterned conditions such as risky travel, stigma, marginalization, exploitative living and working conditions
  - Depending on their status, MMPs may have anything from **no to limited care or substandard care** 
    - MMPs face anti-migrant sentiments
- Vulnerabilities are often aggravated in crisis situations

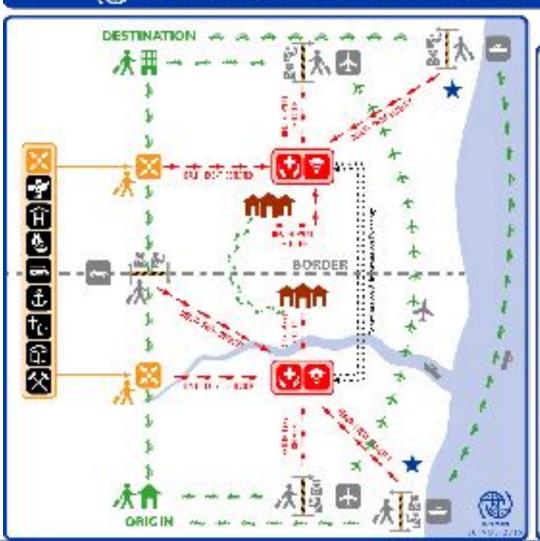


### **Gaps - Health Security in the GMS**

- (I) Health systems in GMS countries remain underdeveloped to effectively address disease outbreaks and are highly vulnerable to outbreaks of emerging diseases such as SARS, bird flu, corona virus, malaria (+ artemisinin resistance), and dengue fever.
- (2) A recent systematic review of Pandemic Preparedness Plans of Asia-Pacific countries found that only 2/32 mentioned MMPs, despite their disproportionate exposure, vulnerability and risk.
  - (3) MMPS tend to be 'left behind' in National Action Plans.
  - (4) MMPs are often not '<u>effectively communicated'</u> with: approaches should be culturally-sensitive, such as key messaging in migrants' local languages, and making use of effective modern technologies.
  - (5) <u>Specific data on migrants' health</u> in the GMS is often not readily available with no standardization of data collection tools, so it is difficult to compare information at a regional level. We also need <u>more research to know where, who and what</u> these MMPs need.
  - (6) There is a lack of coordination between the public and private sectors, MMPs are only becoming increasingly employed by private companies, and/or accessing privatized health services, yet policies across sectors remain uncoordinated.



#### (ID) IOM HEALTH, BORDER AND MOBILITY MANAGEMENT (HBMM) FRAMEWORK



PILLARS

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POLICIES AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK ON HEALTH, BORDER AND MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

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### Recommendations - Health Security (1)



## To achieve the highest possible level of public health security, WHO recommends:

- Full implementation of international health regulations by all countries.
- Stronger international disease control programmes and surveillance networks.
- Open sharing of know-how, technologies and materials, including viruses and laboratory samples.
- <u>Strengthening public health infrastructures</u> to effectively anticipate and respond to emerging threats.
- Bringing <u>public policy sectors</u>, such as health, agriculture, trade and tourism, and legislation <u>in line with the new health regulations.</u>
- <u>Increased resources for training, surveillance,</u> <u>prevention and response</u> campaigns.





### Recommendations - Health Security (2)

There is a critical need to support governments to increase their awareness and capacity to include MMPs within national health systems, plans and simultaneously improve coordination with and among neighbouring and regional counterparts, whilst strengthening public health infrastructures.

#### and

As governments continue working towards greater ease of cross-border travel, growing cross-border trade and so forth, possible health impacts on MMPs must be addressed collaboratively at both national and regional levels.

#### and

Clear guidelines and a roadmap for strengthening private sector involvement within the context are only becoming increasingly necessary.



The International Health Regulations (IHR 2005)

Mekong Basin Disease Surveillance (MBDS)

Thailand's Bureau of Vector-borne Diseases and the electronic Malaria Information System (eMIS)

Asia Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases (APSED)





Public-Private Mix (PPM) Approach





**JUNIMA** is linked to national & regional migrant health programmes and policies, with objectives supporting global recommendations on migrant health. The premise of JUNIMA is to bring together governments, agencies and organizations at the local, national and regional level to improve programmes and policies that advocate the right to health and promote access to health services for migrants throughout Asia.

### The work of JUNIMA is guided by the following 3 strategic objectives:



**JUNIMA's mission** is to support multi-sectoral partners to share strategic information on migration and health, advocate for migrant-inclusive, gender-sensitive health policies, and increase investment in migrant health and access to health services at all stages of the migration process **for improved regional health security in Asia.** 



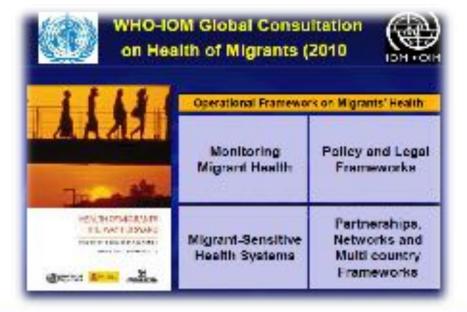
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## Greater Health Security in Greater Mekong Sub-region



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13 December 2016
Intercontinental Hotel, Kunming, PRC

## Background (1)

- Health as a regional challenge.
- Now global events have brought unprecedente d challenges.
- Many threats and challenges of diseases epidemics, disasters and environmental change or the vulnerability of migrants, result from the intersection of travel, population mobility and significant disparities in health.

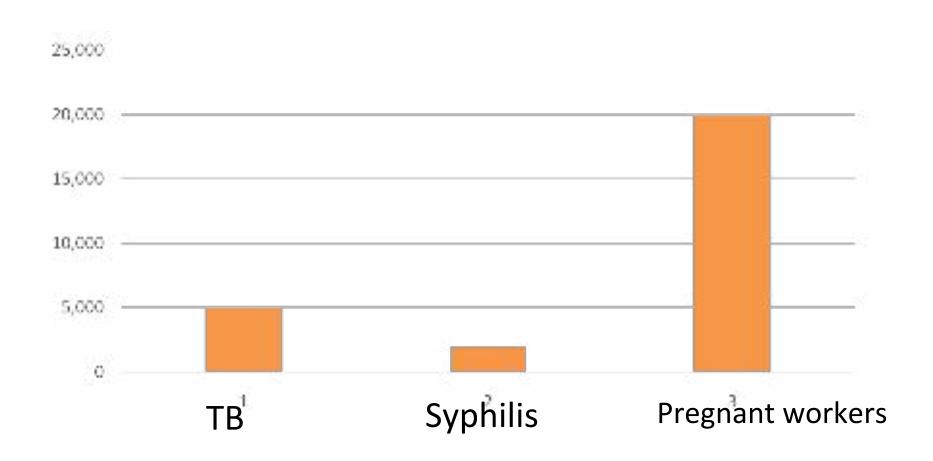
## Background (2)

- At-risk migrant population live in community, others are highly mobile, moving back and forth across the border.
- The transmission of disease, multidrug resistant, tuberculosis, meningitis, diphtheria, measles, drug-resistant malaria etc.





## 1,138,066 migrant workers have applied for the healt h insurance scheme, April-August 2016



## How the regional community re spond to health security

## Plan



Govern ment pol icy



20 years Plan



**Thailand** 

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20 year Plan (4 Phases)

### Reform

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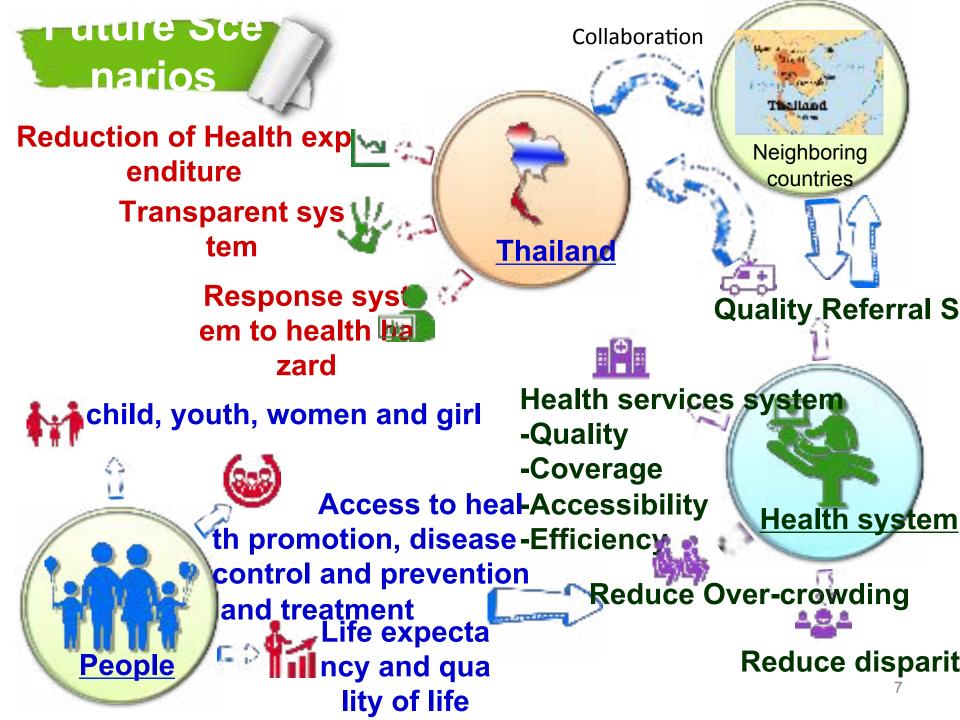




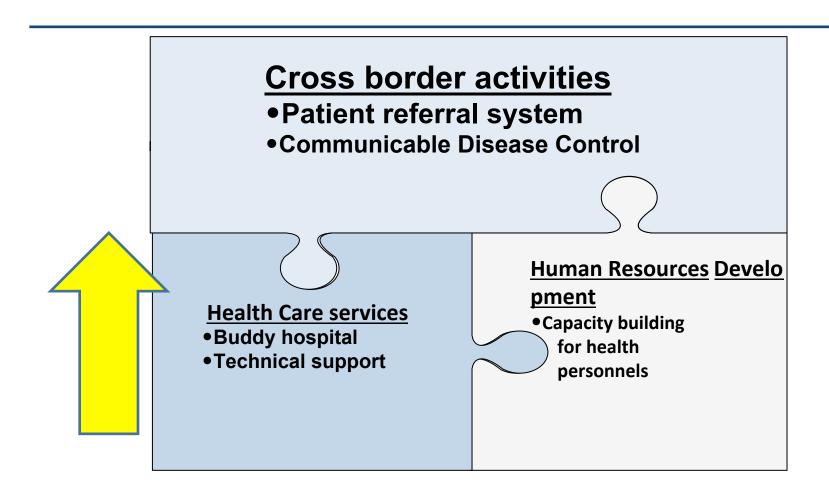
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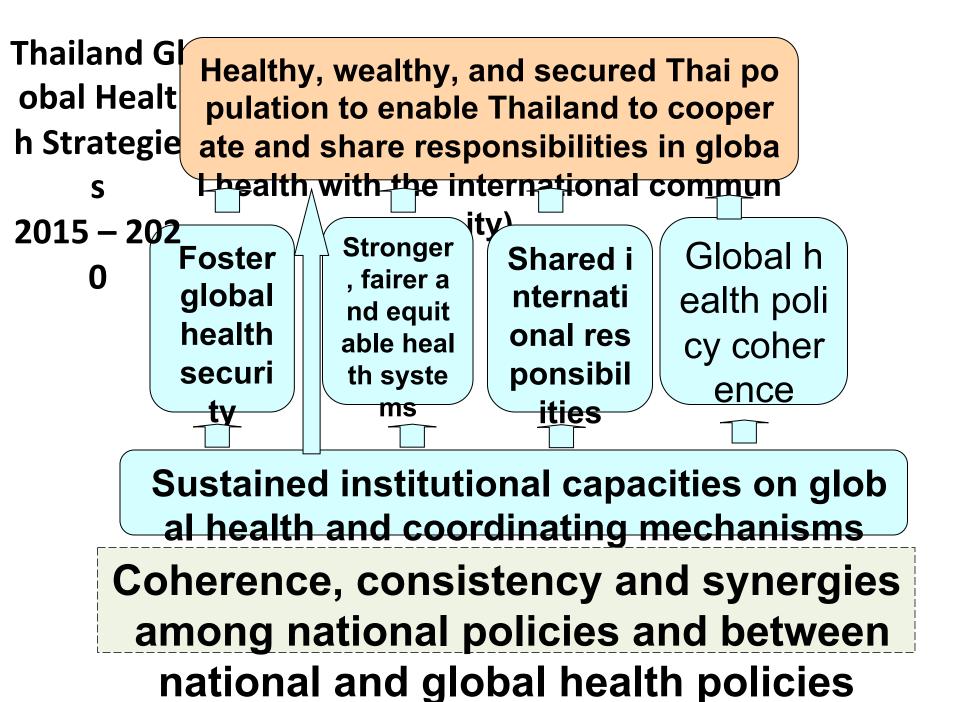


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### **Border Health Cooperation**





## Thailand Border Health Strategy

- 1.Developing a health service system Standard, Friendl y, Referral and follow-up, P&P, Consumer protection
- 2 Improving access to basic health services Insurance c overage, outreach service, health care info
- 3 Strengthening collaboration and participation in all se ctors Networking of actors of all levels, neighboring country
- 4 Improving an effective management Supporting mech anism or structure, HRH, MHIS

## **Cooperation framework**

- Bilateral
- Regional : JUNIMA, GMS, LMI, ASEAN ,MBDS etc.

## 11 June 2016, Phnompenh



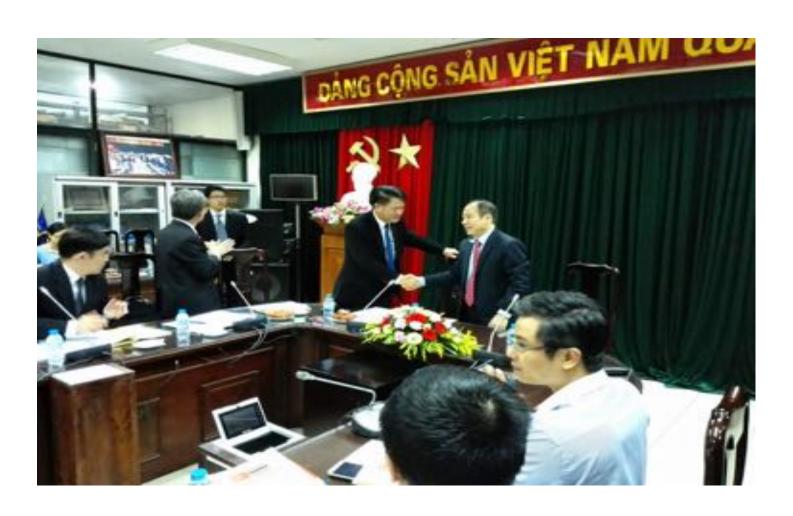


## 13-14 July 2016 Laungprabang

24 July 2016 Vientiane



## 5 July 2016, Hanoi, Vietnam



## 30 August 2016 with Myanmar



## 16 September 2016



## Main ideas related to border and migrant health

- Supporting capacity building of health facilities
   s in nearby country at the border.
- Supporting governments of neighborhood countries in moving towards health security.
- Providing social security and health protection
   n to non-Thais

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between Thailand and Neighboring country

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H.E. DR. MAM BUNHENG MINISTER OF HEALTH OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

### **TYPES OF COOPERATION**

- (a) Exchange of information and staff, subject to dom estic laws and regulations, in the areas of cooperation;
- (b) Human resource development, e.g. short-course and long-term training programs and study visit for health personnel;
- (c) Joint research and studies in areas of mutual interests relating to the subject areas of cooperation;
- (d) Other types of cooperation as may be mutually de termined.

### **AREAS OF COOPERATION**

;a;	Prevention and control of communicable diseases and non communicable
	disease risk factors;
,b:	Control and assurance of the quality of the import export of food, drugs,
	traditional medicines, cosmetics, dietary-health supplements and medical
	devices;
,ci	Promotion of information exchange on health product registration and
	regulations to facilitate the import export of food, drugs,
	traditional medicines, cosmetics, dietary-health supplements, medical
	devices and hazardous substances used in households and public health programs;
;d:	Promotion of information exchange on precursor of narcotics and
	Psychotropic Drugs
,01	Prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of mental health disorder and drug
	addicts;
·f·	Human resource for health development and capacity building;
.8.	Health services system development, and strengthening;
:h:	Primary health care development;
j)	Surveillance of communicable diseases in accordance with International
	Health Regulations: IHR 2005, and problems concerning food, drugs,
	traditional medicines, cosmetics, dietary-health supplements and medical
25%	devices;
j)	Strengthening of health collaboration of the local level between the border
0.00	provinces;
'k;	Health Promotion & Environmental Health (including Health Impact Assessment)
,b	Other areas of cooperation as may be mutually determined







### Flow chart Reporting **Health control** Border p check point/ cu **Provincia** rovincial I health o health off ffice in n ice in Th eighborin ailand g Reporting **Central lev Central lev** el

### Conclusion

- ☐ Greater emphasis must be placed on preparedness-driven investments in health security.
- ☐ Health and disease impacts on mobile and migrant p opulations (MMPs) need to be addressed collaboratively at a broader, regional level.
- ☐ Enhance and complement implementation of the International Health Regulations 2005.
- Accelerate progress toward a world safe and secure from infectious disease threats; promoting regional health security as an international priority; and establishing capacity to prevent, detect and rapidly respond to biological threats.



Sincere gratitude and thanks to all organizations

### Thank you for your attention

# Asia Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases and Public Health Emergencies (APSED III)

### Chin Kei Lee

Emerging Disease Surveillance and Response World Health Organization, China Country Office

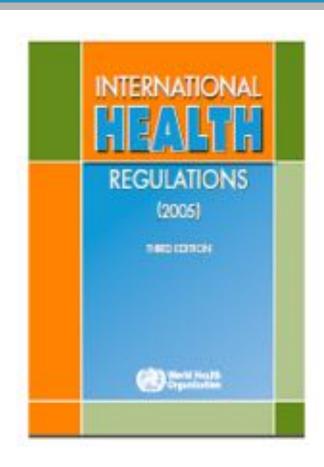


The 15th Meeting of the Greater Mekong Subregion Working Group on Human Resource Development (WGHRD-15)

Yunnan, People's Republic of China, 13-14 December 2016

# IHR (2005) as a Global Instrument

- An international legal instrument for global health security intended to:
  - outline minimum requirements for functional public health system that allows countries to quickly detect and respond to disease outbreaks in their communities
- The international commitment for shared responsibilities and collective defence against hazards
- IHR entered into force in June 2007
- Informs countries on what they need to have in place

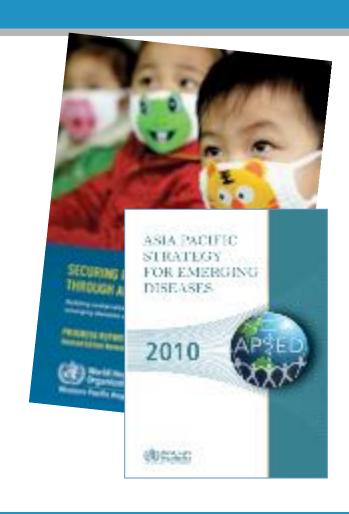




# Collective actions to implement IHR

# The Asia Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases (APSED)

- A bi-regional framework for action for two WHO Regions (SEAR and WPR) to meet IHR core capacity requirements
- A common framework to prepare for and respond to all emerging diseases and public health emergencies
- Developed in 2005, updated in 2010, and this year in 2016



# **Development of APSED III**



2015 Jul 2015 Oct 2015 Nov2015 - Nov 2015 - Jul 2016 Sep/Oct 2016

Jun 2016 Jun 2016

Evaluation of past 10 years

TAG recommend s updated strategy

RCM Member States agree Consultations with Member States

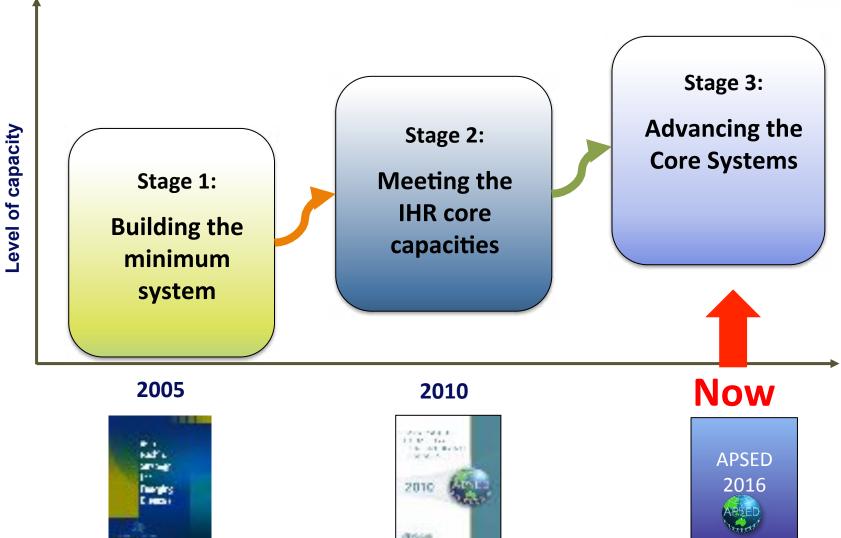
Discussions with Experts and Partners

TAG to review APSED III RCM Member States to endorse APSED III



# Positioning APSED in the new context





# **APSED III as regional action framework**



- Generic system for preparedness, alert and response
- Stepwise approach to capacity development
- Connecting surveillance and response systems
- Value of learning from realworld events for continuing improvement
- Investment in preparedness



# **APSED III monitoring and evaluation**

- Annual review
  - In-country stakeholder planning and review process
  - Annual regional TAG meeting
  - Annual progress reporting to WHA
- After action review
  - Outbreak review
- Exercises
  - IHR Crystal, PanStop
- Joint External Evaluation (JEE)
  - Missions started and planned for next years



# **Future Directions**

- Use APSED III to update and guide national action plans and coordinate initiatives and multi-sectoral efforts
- Use APSED III to implement the monitoring and evaluation framework of IHR, including JEE
- Strengthen political commitment for investment in human and financial resources required to advance the implementation of IHR

#### Appendix 7

Presentations in Session 4: Next steps for the strategic framework and action plan

# Session 4: Next Steps for the Strategic Framework and Action Plan

Presenter: Sam Plummer, ADB Consultant





# Session Objectives

#### SFAP 2013 - 17

 To review what we have achieved to date and what we will achieve by the end of 2017.

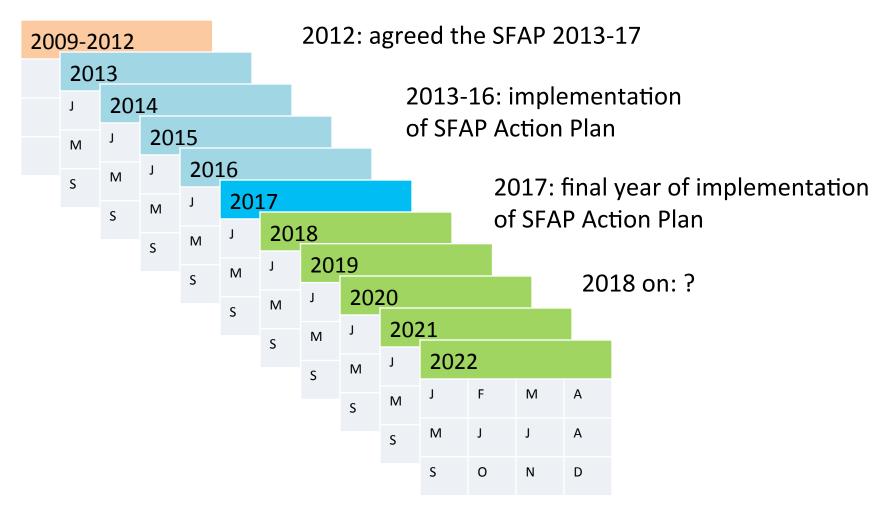
#### **Future Directions**

• To provide input into the SFAP 2013 – 17 Review to inform future arrangements for the WGHRD.





## **SFAP Timeline**











Strategic Framework and Action Plan for Human Resource Development in the Greater Mekong Subregion (2013–2017)



#### ARRENDIX 2

# Action Plan Proposed Activities for implementation (2013–2017).

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# Sub-session 1: SFAP 13-17 Review

Working in sub-groups and with reference to the SFAP 2013-17 Action Plan:

- discuss and agree the progress and results achieved in your sub-sector so far; and
- discuss activities and targets for the remaining period of the SFAP i.e. to end of 2017.

Output: 2-slide presentation to be delivered by subgroups tomorrow morning





## Sub-session 2: Future Focus

#### Health and Labour & Migration Sub-groups:

Ms Azusa Sato, ADB - Health directions in the GMS

#### **Education and Social Development Sub-groups:**

 Mr. Chen Ming, Executive Vice-Chair of the Guizhou Vocational Education Assn – TVET approaches in Guizhou Province

Output: New ideas for initiatives for 2018 on





#### Sub-session 3:

# Future Working Arrangements

### Groups will discuss:

- 1. What is the WGHRD and what do we currently do?
- 2. What are our working arrangements?
- 3. What works well and what can be improved?

Output: Sub-group inputs into future arrangements, to be summarized and presented tomorrow morning





# **SFAP Review**

- Session will provide inputs to the SFAP Review
- Follow-up in country visits
- Final report to inform WGHRD future arrangements





# **Break-out Session**

- Health and Labour & Migration Sub-groups
  - ogo to Yuhuo Room, 4th floor

- Education and Social Development Sub-groups
  - stay in Chambord Room





# ADB Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) Health Sector Directions Paper 2017 - 2022



# Rationale



No document tying together health strategies for the GMS countries

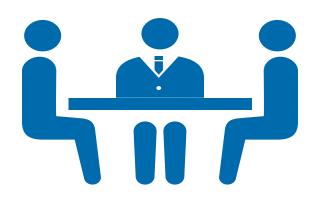


Synchronizing
ADB projects
and missions



Lack of
focal point or
priority for health
(often social sector
only or non-health
specialist;
streamlining with
OPH, CPS, COBP)

# Use



### For policy dialogue:

design and development of ADB health investments



To ensure
investments are clearly
communicated especially
where health does not
belong in CPS

# Existing portfolio

### Loans and Grants

\$622.5M

- \$70M VIE: Second health care in the central highlands project
- \$59.5M REG: Second Communicable Disease Control project and AF
- \$40M VIE: Health Human
   Resources sector Development program
- \$20M LAO/VIE: GMS Subregion capacity building for HIV/AIDS prevention
- \$23M LAO: Health Sector Governance program
- \$10M MYA: GMS Capacity building for HIV/AIDS prevention



- \$4.5M REG: Malaria & Communicable Diseases Control in GMS
- \$4.36 REG: Strengthening Resilience to Climate Change in the health sector in GMS
- \$1.3M REG: GMS Health Security Project
- \$0.8M VIE: Support for Health Human Resources Program

#### Loans and Grants

\$750M

# Projects pipelined for 2017-2019

- \$210M VIE: Second Health Human Resources Sector Development Program
- \$125M REG: GMS Health Security
- \$80M VIE: Grassroots Health Care Center
- \$35M LAO: Second Health Sector Governance Program

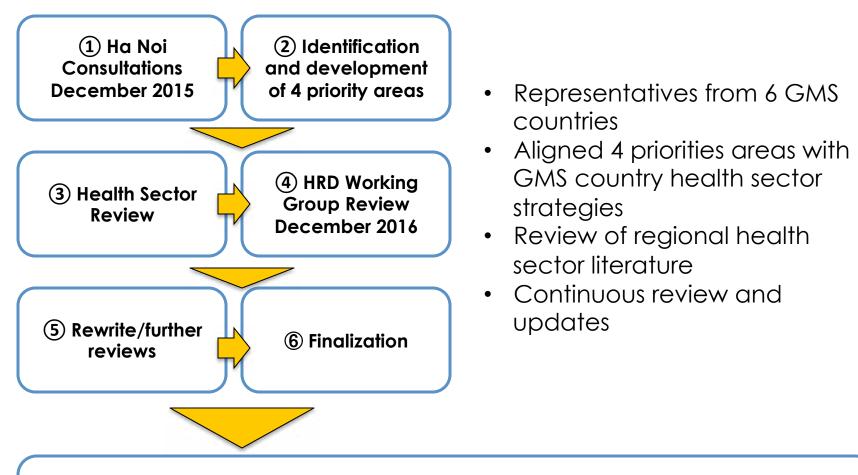


- \$2M LAO: Strengthening Capacity for Health Sector Governance Reforms
- \$1.8M VIE: Strengthening The Policy And Institutional Framework of SHI
- \$0.75M LAO: Second Health Sector Governance Program

## Vision

A healthy and productive GMS population, free of disease and protected from financial hardship when seeking care

# Directions paper process



**HRD Strategy Framework (?)** 

# Directions paper structure

Acronyms/Executive summary

Directions background (health sector summary, purpose, objectives, development process)

GMS Health Priorities, 2017-2022

Implementation plan

Annexes

# 4 identified GMS health priorities

Priority Invest in health sector regional public goods



Priority Advance sustainable health financing strategies



Strengthen health sector governance systems



Priority Build service delivery capacity and systems



# Core structure for each priority

Identify health sector priorities

Common health sector challenges and opportunities

GMS health priorities Develop investments

Design Health programs aligned with current policies

Coordinate and communicate investments

With stakeholders; ADB's role as a facilitator in GMS cooperation

# Invest in health sector regional public goods



#### Identify Health Sector Priorities

- A. Communicable Disease Control and Health Security to implement IHR
- Strengthen disease monitoring and reporting in border areas, particularly from private sector service providers
- Build the capacity of laboratory systems
- Eliminate malaria by 2030
- B. Regional collaboration and learning
- Develop and implement cross-border health security coordination agreements
- Strengthen the interoperability of health and surveillance information management systems
- Share health sector and country knowledge, skills and lessons learnt

#### **Develop Investments**



International Health Regulations



Cross-border disease prevention, surveillance and information management



Health service delivery for mobile and migrant populations and communitybased disease control



Regional workshops, study tours and scholarships

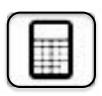
# Advance sustainable health financing strategies



#### Identify Health Sector Priorities

- A. Strengthen Public Financial Management at the central and provincial levels
- Reduce OOP and incidence of catastrophic payments for health
- C. Expand health care benefit packages
- D. Expand **population coverage** under health insurance schemes
- Implement innovative models of contracting and purchasing health **services** from the private market

#### **Develop Investments**



**Public Financial** Management Technical Assistance



Policy support for UHC initiatives

# Strengthen health sector governance systems



#### Identify Health Sector Priorities

- A. Improve health sector **performance monitoring** and evaluation
- B. Improve and standardize the quality of care at hospitals and health facilities
- C. Ensure the quality of the national medicines and food supply

#### Develop Investments



Health Sector Information Management (HMIS, service delivery, etc.



Provincial capacity building



Health facility and accreditation systems



Capacity building of food and drug regulatory agencies

Strengthening of food and drug testing laboratories

# Build service delivery capacity and systems



#### Identify Health Sector Priorities

- A. Improve health sector work force quality
- B. Strengthen incentives for health workers stationed in rural areas
- C. Enhance **NCD** and oncology care and treatment service delivery
- D. Improve **access** to essential medicines, diagnostics and other health commodities
- E. Expand or **upgrade aging or inadequate** facilities
- F. National health infrastructure and equipment
- G. Improve access to health services in rural and traditionally underserved areas

#### Develop Investments



Medical, nursing and public health curriculums



Pre and In-Service Training

Workforce rural retention

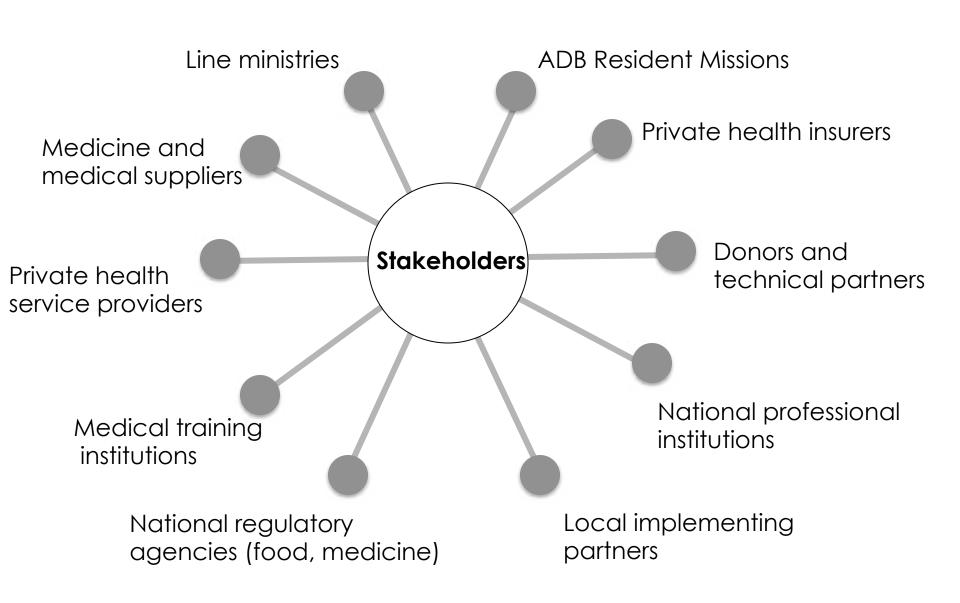


Reliable supply of essential medicines and supplies



Warehouse, hospital and clinic infrastructure development

### Coordinate and Communicate Framework



# Framework implementation plan

- RSC: Project steering committee (CDC2+GMS HS TBD)
  - Provides decision-making and guidance to project implementation, including regional cooperation
  - Representatives (MOH DG level) from CLV (+M)
  - Chaired by vice-minister of health of hosting country
  - Annual meeting
- RCU: Secretariat of RSC
  - Provides advisory and coordinating support between governments, ADB and implementing partners
  - Supports planning, coordination and implementation of cross-border activities
- SERD (inc. GMS Secretariat), SDCC, RMs, ADB divisions

#### Annexes

- GMS Regional health and health system summary
- GMS National Health strategies
- Summaries of OPH, CPSs, COBPs
- Summary of ADB pipeline in GMS
- List of GMS country priorities (from Ha Noi consultations)

# Group Work Objectives

- 1. Discuss, validate and refine health directions priority areas
- 2. Discuss management models to implement the priorities

# Outputs

- 1. Validated Health Directions Framework
- Identify key management and support structures, roles and responsibilities for advancing ADB health priorities

# Group Work Session #1: Priority Review & Discussion

Discuss each question below for 10 minutes and document your findings.

- 1. Rank the interventions under your priority. Which would you consider the most important, which would you consider the least & why?
- 2. What would you amend, add or remove from that list? Why?
- 3. What priority intervention would attract domestic cofinancing, or require ADB assistance? Why?

# Group Work Session #2: Investment Implementation

Discuss each question below for 10 minutes and document your findings.

- 1. What should the respective roles be of the government ministries, the ADB resident mission and other partners in the implementation of these investments?
- 2. What other support systems do you think are needed to successfully implement these investments?

# TVET in Guizhou: Advancing Local Development and Promoting PRC-ASEAN Cooperation

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Guizhou TVET Association
GMS WGHRD-15
13 December 2016

# Outline

- Strengthening TVET in Guizhou Province
- TVET as a Key Pillar in Guizhou's Socioeconomic Development Strategy
- Case Study: Guizhou Vocational Education Program (ADB-Supported)
- PRC-ASEAN Cooperation in TVET

#### I. Strengthening TVET in Guizhou Province

Implementing "9+3" Education Plan

Accelerating the establishment of modern TVET system

Strengthening the rule of law for TVET development



# II. TVET as a Key Pillar in Guizhou's Socioeconomic Development Strategy





# Innovative TVET for Poverty Reduction: "1 Household, 1 Trainee" Action Plan

- 100 TVET institutions in Guizhou selected to construct Poverty Reduction Bases
- Implementing models of training→practice→retraining→practice+business counseling, research, training, production, marketing, and apprenticeship in agricultural skills
- Carrying out full coverage and targeted TVET programs for poverty alleviation
- Special TVET programs for poor counties
- 1.3 million were lifted out of poverty in 2015, and 6 million people escaped poverty during the 12<sup>th</sup> FYP period

#### **TVET Promoting Socioeconomic Development (cont.)**

6% of provincial government administrative costs were redirected to Poverty Reduction through Education

Implementing TVET for poverty reduction projects, including "Education and Training Action", "Self-improvement Action", targeting 10 million poor people

TVET also a key part of Guizhou's efforts to explore new methods to achieve a balanced and moderately well-off society



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#### **Special TVET Programs for Poor Counties**





贵州省机械工业学校"威宁班"数控专业学生实训

省人民医院护士学校"赫章班"学生课堂教学

#### III. Case Study: GVEDP

The GVEDP is supporting Guizhou to improve the quality of TVET and make TVET more relevant to the needs of employers.

- Transforming the learning environment
- Supporting competence-based training and student-centered learning
- Strengthening TVET management capacity



#### President XI Jinping visited Qingzhen TVET Town



#### IV. PRC-ASEAN Cooperation in TVET

TVET is a core focus of efforts to strengthen PRC-ASEAN education cooperation and exchanges to benefit people in the region



China attaches great importance to PRC-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week (Guizhou acts as the Permanent Host of this Annual Event)







#### Participation of ASEAN Leaders



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#### **Achievements**

- 9 PRC-ASEAN Education Cooperation Weeks have been successfully hosted by Guizhou
- 11,800 government leaders, diplomats, scholars, teachers, and student representatives gathered in Guizhou for related events
- More than 1,000 MOUs were signed by 2,700 international organizations, institutions and schools

## **Opportunities**

- Guiyang TVET School (member of the PRC-ASEAN Rail Traffic Education and Training Alliance) is exploring credit and degree recognition among Alliance members, and stronger linkages between schools and enterprises
- Guizhou Silk Road Scholarship
- PRC-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week Special Scholarship for Youth

# **ASEAN Students Studying at Qingzhen TVET Town**



#### **THANK YOU!**

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#### WGHRD-15 RECAP OF DAY 1

Meeting provided an excellent venue for sharing and exchanging information on strategic developments and progress of programs/projects at the operational level.

- Participants were briefed about the outcomes and directives arising from the 21<sup>st</sup> GMS Ministerial Conference held in Chiang Rai, Thailand on 30 Nov-1 Dec 2016 of particular relevance and interest to WGHRD. These included notable achievements in the HRD sector as reported by the Senior Officials to the GMS Ministers and the prospects for a forward-looking HRD SFAP to guide future cooperation towards realization of the SDGs. The Ministers further noted that HRD would continue to be a priority for capacity building, health promotion, and enhancement of the well-being of the subregion's human resources. In this regard the recommendations arising from the study of the GMS Institutional Framework pertaining to the creation of a regular reporting mechanism from the Working Groups to the GMS Senior Officials to update the SOM on new developments and progress, to consider a separate working group on GMS Health Cooperation, endorsement of the GMS Revised Investment Framework Implementation Plan 2020 and the new configuration of the GMS economic corridors all bear on future work of the WGHRD.
- Participants listened to SEAMEO's report on achievements in education including updates on academic credit transfer program, training standards recognition initiative, and other projects with cross-border elements; overview of roadmap for student mobility, and university networking. AUN's presentation underscored the importance of quality assurance initiative in raising standards of universities in 3 GMS countries, which is looking to hopefully include greater numbers of universities in the ASEAN region, rolling out capacity building initiatives in the 3 countries, and future support for a proposed Phase 3 of the Quality Assurance project. Third presentation was about ongoing and existing programs of Guangxi Province for vocational education for foreign students involving 31 schools in the province, and a proposed program to modernize TVET education in Guangxi.
- In the Health sector, participants were briefed on the progress of the GMS Health Security Project funded by ADB. APSED as regional action framework now on Phase III to meet IHR core capacity requirements – developed in 2005, updated in 2010 and again in 2016.
- International Organization on Migration in South Asia and Pacific discussed gaps, trends, and recommendations addressing mobile and migrant populations' needs for health security in the GMS. Through WGHRD, ADB has helped countries on common approach to HIV services access for MMPs.
- Thailand Ministry of Health noted that 1,138,066 migrant workers have applied for health insurance scheme between April-August 2016, and shared their experience on strengthened health security under Thailand's 20-year national development plan. Outlined their cooperation framework: bilateral, regional (JUNIMA, GMS, LMI, ASEAN, MBDs, etc.) and shared ideas related to border and migration. MOUs signed between Thailand, MYA, Lao, and CAM and areas of cooperation.

- Sub-group discussions on the review and next steps for the HRD Strategic Framework and Action Plan were held and reports will be presented to the Plenary Session the following day. In order to provide inputs to future working arrangements, subgroup participants were asked to answer the following questions:
  - (i) What is the WGHRD and what does it currently do?
  - (ii) What are our working arrangements?
  - (iii) What works well and what can be improved (policy, organization, people, financing)?

Expected Output: subgroup inputs into future arrangements to be summarized and presented to plenary the following day.

#### Appendix 9

Presentations in Session 5: Subgroup Breakout Session



#### Progress and results achieved in health sector

- CDC2 + Additional financing \$9.5ml: to be completed
   2017
- CDC3 = GMS HS (\$125ml loan inc \$8ml grant + \$7.2ml counterpart funding) : to start 2017
- GMS Food and Drug Safety
  - Loan for Viet Nam: \$11ml to be completed in 2018. Other countries ???
  - Piggy-bag TA: covers Viet Nam, other countries ???



## Progress and results achieved in health sector

- Health impact Assessment: RETA 8763 on-going in VN, Laos and Cambodia, till 2017
- Climate change in health sector: RETA 8898 on-going in VN, Laos and Cambodia, till 2018
- GMS Capacity Building for HIV prevention: on-going in VN (15ml loan), Laos (5ml grant), and Myanmar (10ml grant starting 2014), to be completed in 2017



### Progress and results achieved in health sector

- Monitoring implementation of the MOU for Joint Action to reduce HIV Vulnerability related to population movement in the GMS:
  - TA 6467- subproject 11 on HIV/AIDs for Myanmar and Thailand was completed 31 Dec 2014
  - JFPR Grant 10ml for HIV/AIDS for Myanmar: 2014 2018
- **R-CDTA Malaria:** Myanma (4ml), Laos and Cambodia, addressing artemisinin resistance in malaria and eliminating malaria in GMS



 Renew MOU JUNIMA on HIV/AIDS to beyond 2016 to cover other health issues such as health security (not only HIV/AIDS), beyond 2016.



- Technical assistance for strengthening regional cooperation on health security, \$2ml, 2017-2022, for 4 countries VN, Laos, Cam & Myanmar, in partnership with Thailand &China:
  - RCUs, consultants
  - Not only bilateral
  - Info exchange mechanism among 6 countries: ehealth (case report surveillance in MBDS)
  - ASEAN cross-cutting health cluster meetings



- Service delivery for NCD at local levels for VN, Laos, regional concern ???
- Provincial Center for Disease Control model implementation at provincial level – for VN, Laos, regional concern ???



# Labour & Migration



#### Progress and results achieved in subsector

#### 1. Improving Information & Knowledge Sharing

- Migrant Resource Centre: MRC,
  - Pre-departure orientation for documented migrants
  - Countries: Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam
- International Recruitment Integrity System: IRIS

#### 2. Capacity Building

- Government Officials: Labour Policy and Labour Migration
   Management
- Workers: Skills qualifications, Skills improvement



## Progress and results achieved in subsector

#### 3. Enhancing Social Protection

 Access to health care service for migrant workers (in the case of Thailand); health insurance card for workers and their families



#### **National Level**

- Thailand case: One Stop Service Center, set up by Ministry of Labour at the border to do preliminary check and examine documents for migrants workers before they enter Thailand.
- MOU between Thailand and CLMV countries on Labour Cooperation. To increase legal migrant workers.



- Sharing information in the regional level
- Encourage cooperation with private sectors
- Capacity building for government officials and migrant workers
  - Government officials: Languages and culture, worker rights etc.
  - Migrant workers: skills development

# **Sub Group Discussion Points**

Education and Social Development Subgroup



# 1. Credit Transfers

#### Achieved:

- SEAMEO RIHED--Academic Credit Transfer Framework for Asia (ACTFA) Phase 1 and 2 (Explore and Experiment) are achieved (out of 4 phases)
- AUN-ACTS established in 2011 and already implemented (32 universities)
- Lao—done under SEAMEO RIHED but need to be continued.
- China-Guangxi: with SEAMEO RIHED's ACTFA

### **Not Achieved-- Credit Transfers:**

- SEAMEO RIHED-- Academic Credit Transfer Framework for Asia (ACTFA) Phase 3 and 4 (Experience and Expand)
- Lao Improve academic transfer by addressing internal (uni to uni) and regional difficulties.



## **Future Plan-- Credit Transfers:**

- SEAMEO RIHED--(ACTFA) 1. Dissemination in a larger scale (inviting HEIS from Southeast Asian countries) and Awareness raising and a more constructive inputs to fine tune and 2. To table consideration and perusal of HE authority for possibilities of national implementation
- Lao- do ACTFA between uni to uni

## 2. GMS Capacities Building

### Achieved:

- SEAMEO RIHED--GMS-UC (24 universities) established and working together in the capacities building in several areas.
- AUN- capacity building in QA practitioners in ASEAN and GMS. Trained 200 Trainers in CLM and trained >650 trainers in ASEAN.
- Cambodia—achieved in this area at the HEIs level
- Thailand: capacity building for skill development and dispatching of training instructors

## **Not Achieved-- Capacities Building:**

 SEAMEO RIHED--Capacities building in other areas for the GMS-UC, i.e. research, good governance, etc.



## **Future Plan-- Capacities Building:**

 Lao- Make proposals for ADB to continue support in pending activities in terms of Human Resources and develop mechanisms for implementation. Improve financial resources.



## 3. Quality Assurance

- Achieved:
- AUN-QA implementation at programme level in ASEAN and GMS. Successfully developed QA Manual and handbook for CLM local languages
- Lao Manual on how to use standards



## **Future Plan-- Quality Assurance:**

- AUN- ADB/AUN-QA Phase 3: Training National Trainers in CLM (Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar). Training workshops for QA implementation at university level
- Cambodia- Facilitating subregional cooperation in establishing quality assurance systems.



## 4. TVET

### Achieved:

 Lao—Development of Standard Learning materials for TVET (STVET project), facilitating subregional cooperation in establishing QA systems in TVET, GMS TVET developed (ongoing) and development and piloting a framework for the recognition

Thailand- TVET-skill development, teacher training

- Thailand- TVET-skill development, teacher training
- Myanmar—Framework of MR TVET
- · Vietnam: just went through the reform.
- Guangxi: ASEAN-PRC edu training centers.
   Long term mechanism for cooperation among education agencies



## Not Achieved-- TVET:

- Vietnam- Need to improve the quality of the TVET teacher
- Lao- Strengthening TVET



## **Future Plan-- TVET:**

 Cambodia- Development of standard learning materials for TVET.



# 5. Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA)s

### Not Achieved:

 Lao-develop a system for the mutual recognition of TVET teacher training standards. Extension of the technical skills and qualifications recognition frameworks to add skills most critical for developing of the economic corridors.



## Future Plan--(MRA)s:

 Cambodia- Develop a system for the mutual recognition of TVET teacher training standards.



## 6. Harmonization

- Achieved:
- China--China-ASEAN Cooperation Week
- Provide scholarship to ASEAN Students
- Lao did harmonisation measures but need to continue

## Not Achieved—Harmonization:

 Lao-formulate a clear working definition of harmonization.



## **Future Plan—Harmonization:**

 Lao-exchange teachers on Teaching and Learning.



## 7. Others

### Achieved:

 China- Guangxi—action plan in participating: GMS Plan, Investment 2014-2022, Infrastructure north/south corridor to stimulate SMEs and HRD.



## **Not Achieved-- Others:**

 Lao—Gender balance, need to have more female in HE



## **Future Plan-- Others:**

Lao- Find sources of funding and budget



## Thank You!

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## Progress and results achieved in subsector

#### **Anti-human trafficking**

- Cooperation between Thailand and neighboring countries (CB, LA, MYM, PRC, VN) bilateral cooperation MOUs on anti-human trafficking
- Coordinate Mekong Ministerial Initiative Against Trafficking (COMMIT) process (all GMS countries)
- Establishment of centers or transit and reception for trafficking victims in Cambodia and Lao PDR; example: Poipet (CB-TH) MOU, Plan, and center for anti-human trafficking and improved quality of life

#### Youth

- GMS Youth Caravan and Youth Forum
- Exchange student programs (inside and outside the region)
- GMS university network

#### **Capacity Building**

- Phnom Penh Plan for Development Management and B.I.G.
- Training center for social workers (CB)

#### **National Implementation of HRD SFAP**

Continuous education – Such as skills development for the elderly, lifelong learning; promoting hiring of elderly



## **Activities and targets until 2017**

Remaining activities from HRD SFAP (2013-2017) for consideration:

- Social impact assessments of increased connectivity (esp. for vulnerable groups)
- Partnership programs and workshops for knowledge exchange
- Capacity building needs assessment for the GMS
- ASEAN Studies programs

#### Themes to Consider

Social Inclusion

Gender sensitivity investments, gender mainstreaming not yet included

Vulnerable groups

Aging society

**SDGs** 

Entrepreneurship

For the Future- anti- human trafficking- victim reintegration programs; projects to prevent human trafficking

## Mekong Institute Response

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## **About Mekong Institute**



## MI Vision

Capable and committed human resources working together for a more integrated, prosperous and harmonious GMS

## MI Mission

To contribute through human resource development and capacity building to the acceleration of sustainable economic and social development and poverty alleviation in the GMS and promote regional cooperation and integration.

## MI Thematic Areas (2016-2020)

Agricultural
Development and
Commercialization



- Improving agricultural productivity and supporting farmers to move from subsistence to commercial farming
- Promoting product quality and safety to enhance competitiveness
- Promoting value addition through food processing
- Integrating small-scale farmers and SMEs into regional and global value chains

Trade and Investment Facilitation



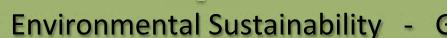
 Establishing a supportive environment in which SMEs can address entire value chains through engaging with business associations, chambers of commerce and government agencies involved in trade in the GMS including e-commerce, tourism, transport, logistics and other service sectors.

Innovation and Technological Connectivity



 In areas of digital marketing, power trading, telecommunications, renewable energy, and how these are interrelated and together can support GMS integration and competitiveness with a focus on supporting agricultural development and trade and investment facilitation





## **MI Activities**

These programs focus on current GM5 issues within MI's 3 thematic areas. The programs mainly target senior and middle management government officials.

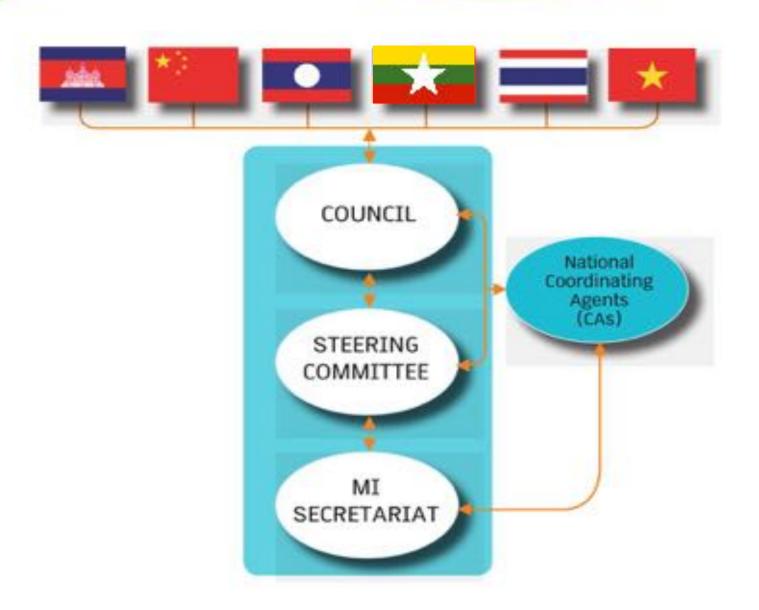
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## MI Governance Structure



## **Feedback**

## Feedback on Health and Labor Migration Presentation

#### **Health Vulnerabilities**

- 1. Pre-departure
- •Migrants' lack of access to proper counseling and health education
- 2. In-transit
- Travel-related conditions exacerbating health risks
- 3. At destination
- Poor living conditions
- Poor working conditions
- Lack of access to medical/health services

#### 4. Upon return

•Health-related challenges in reintegrating into left behind communities; other health and social costs incurred from migration

#### **Recommendations:**

- review of labor, migration and health policies at the national level
- bilateral and regional dialogue and cooperation
- information-sharing mechanisms
- migrant views during policy formulation and program implementation

## Nature of the Problem – health security and safe migration

- regional
- multi-sectoral
- inter-agency
- multi-stakeholder, etc.

### Requirements

- regional working mechanism/regional framework
- knowledge sharing across countries, sectors
- institutional coordination and communication -- of initiatives and multi-sectoral efforts
- political commitment and shared responsibilities
- collective response/actions
- stepwise approach to capacity development

importance of holistic approach to addressing health-migration issues

From the recommendations forwarded by the sub-groups, where can Mekong Institute possibly get involved?

- •capacity-building labor migration management
- •joint **research and studies** in areas of health and migration of mutual interests in GMS countries
- information sharing
  - platform e.g. GMS Forum on Labor Migration
  - database mapping of projects/investments related to health and migration in the GMS which can aid in national/regional programming and minimize duplication of efforts (e.g. <a href="http://foodsecurity.mekonginstitute.org/">http://foodsecurity.mekonginstitute.org/</a>)

## Food Safety Project - funded by NZAP

Goal: To assist CLMV in creating a safe food regulatory environment that addresses the needs of the private sector

- Laws, regulations and guidelines on food safety
- Series of training programs for various stakeholders along the value chain
  - production: safe agro-chemical use and IPM
  - processing: GMP and HACCP
- trade and distribution: food inspection system and control
  - consumption: consumer awareness programs;
     development of IEC materials

# Thank you

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# The Response is

 A perspective of SEAMEO, a regional organization which established to promote cooperation in education, science and culture in Southeast Asia



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## **# 1 Southeast Asia Priority Area**

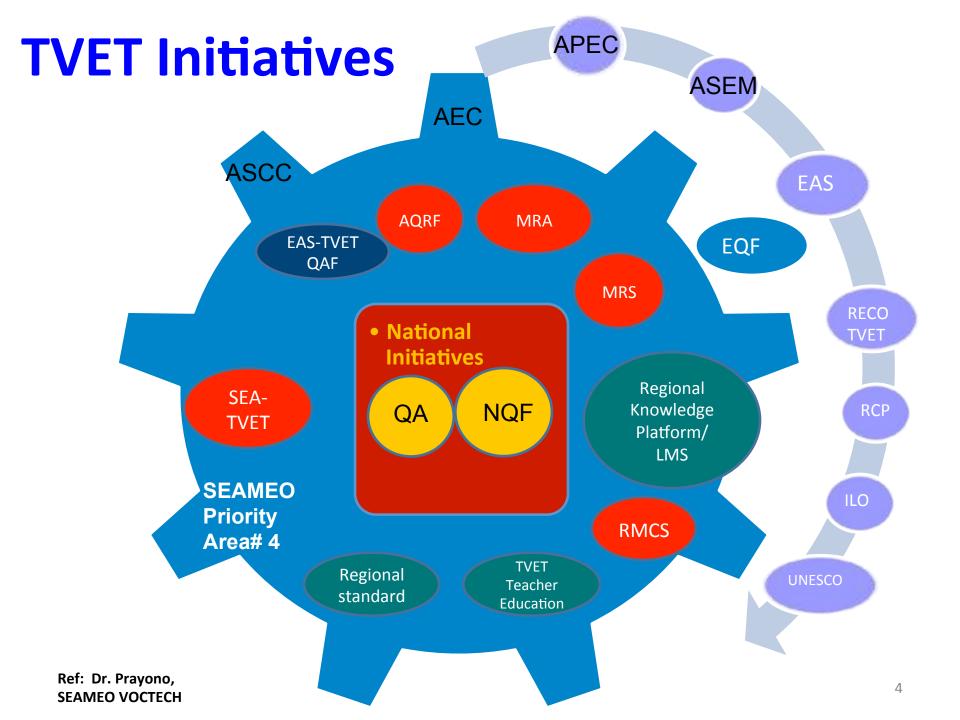


# #2 Strategies for Cooperation of TVET in Southeast Asia

1. Cooperate, share and review the NQF to the ASEAN National Qualification Framework

2 Development of **SEA TVET Consortium** as mechanism for student and staff exchange

- 3. 4 Regional Priority Study Areas:
  - 1) Hospitality and Tourism (1st priority)
  - 2) Agriculture and Fisheries
  - 3) Electronics, Mechatronics and Manufacturing
  - 4) Construction



ASCC: ASEAN Socio Cultural Community

AEC: ASEAN Economic Community QAF: Quality Assurance Framework

AQRF: ASEAN Qualification Reference Framework

MRA: Mutual Recognition Arrangement

RPL: Recognition of Prior Learning

QA: Quality Assurance

NQF: National Qualification Framework

RMCS: Regional Model of Common Standards

APEC: Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation

ASEM: Asia Europe Meeting

EQF: European Qualification Framework

EAS: East Asia Summit

RCP: Regional Cooperation Platform

## # 3 Strengthen Cooperation

- Mobility & connectivity lead to challenges in social development
- Skilled & unskilled labor
- Educate target: marginalized groups through cooperation with partners.

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#### WORKSHOP RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 1. Improve future WGHRD meetings

- 1. TOR for workshop participants
- 2. Each country sends more participants per ministry
- 3. More pre-meetings to help delegates prepare
- 4. Include more development partners
- 5. Provide SFAP country progress reports prior to meeting, shared to country focal points for distribution to line ministries

#### 2. Strengthen communications and coordination

- 1. Ensure more interaction during the year (more meetings, especially online meetings, information sharing, etc.)
- 2. Ensure that country delegations are in touch with each other during the year
- 3. Include development partners in country, like ASEAN and JUNIMA
- 4. Establish stronger links through MOUs
- 5. Educate host ministries about the WGHRD and its mandate
- 6. Establishment of WGHRD network
- 7. Online mechanism for information sharing
- 8. Coordination and discussion with ADB RM staff

#### 3. Continue ADB technical assistance

- Support the WGHRD to meet and carry out successful interventions including quality assurance and skills recognition framework, especially Lao PDR in collaboration with other countries
- 2. Finance a specific TA for health and health security in the GMS, TVET

#### 4. Streamline the scope of the WGHRD

- 1. Review the number of subgroups
- 2. Consider renaming the group as something that more accurately aligns with the activities of the group
- 3. Provide a clear mandate to each subgroup and link to relevant line ministries
- 4. Have separate events for health and education (issue of budget, could be held back-to-back)
- 5. Scope should address areas of cross-country consensus

### 5. Incorporate a regional dimension into upcoming national TVET projects in CAM, LAO, MYA, and VIE

- Review scope of the planned CAM, LAO, MYA and VIE TVET projects and see if they can include a regional cooperation objective
- 2. Conduct a feasibility study on potential higher education and TVET opportunities in CAM-THAI, CAM-LAO, CAM-VIE economic corridors
- 3. Ensure higher education and TVET initiatives are better coordinated with ASEAN and PRC
- 4. Regional focus on top-three TVET demand areas

#### 6. Ensure labor and migration are integrated into health interventions

- 1. Overlap between health and labor/migration is strengthened; ensure it is continued
- 2. Investigate homeland social security system access
- 3. Establish a GMS network to address barriers to access to social security

# Timeline and Next Steps

Tasks	Timeline
Return to home countries and discuss WGHRD recommendations in country and internal ADB	December 2016
Identify and submit national focal points to ADB	31 Dec 2016
Meet with ADB team to follow up recommendations	Jan-Feb 2017
Review draft recommendation report	Feb 2017
Finalize recommendations	March 2017
Provide inputs to new SFAP 2018-2022	April – June 2017
Participate in discussions and in-country consultations	May-Jul 2017
Finalization of SFAP	Sept 2017
WGHRD-16, Vientiane, Lao PDR	Nov/Dec 2017