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# THE SECOND ASEAN STUDENT MOBILITY FORUM

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A SHARE Policy Dialogue  
in Cooperation with  
the Ministry of Education,  
Myanmar

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## Welcome Message

We are delighted to welcome you to the Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum. This exciting event is part of a series of Policy Dialogues organised under the EU Support to Higher Education in the ASEAN Region, or SHARE, a project of ASEAN and the European Union, designed to support the development of regional higher education systems and frameworks.

This two-day event is organised in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Myanmar, who is hosting us at the Diamond Jubilee Hall of the University of Yangon.

This is the Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum, and the first was held in Manila, Philippines in 2017. The Second Forum brings together some 170 students and alumni from all ASEAN countries; policy-makers and stakeholders in higher education from Southeast Asia; and representatives from Universities within ASEAN. These two days will be centred around the student experience of mobility, with a particular focus on intra-ASEAN mobility, and the benefits of mobility not only to the individual, but to universities, communities and the countries of ASEAN. It will be highly interactive, and all participants will play a role in determining the outputs of the Forum: plans to promote the benefits of mobility to multiple stakeholders through student organisations, and a statement to present to ASEAN education leaders, stressing the benefits of student mobility, and asking them to consider offering mobility opportunities to more students within ASEAN. So this Forum will be an opportunity to work together to agree on ways to promote the benefits of student mobility, and while doing so, provide opportunities to talk, meet new people, exchange ideas, network, and organise. Apart from the formal sessions, there will be extended lunch hours that provide opportunities to meet and organise for upcoming sessions, and dinners on each evening to relax together. ASEAN is centred around its people, and this Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum seeks to use the energy and experience of young people to promote the benefits of student mobility.

In the context of the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community, higher education plays a crucial role, and ASEAN is committed to further promoting effective regional cooperation and connectivity for the benefit of all citizens of ASEAN. The European Union is proud to support this process, not least because of its own strong tradition of student mobility in the European Higher Education Area. SHARE is a key instrument of ASEAN to further improve the quality of higher education in Southeast Asia, stimulate student mobility and regional integration, and thereby contribute to national and regional competitiveness and development. Developments in higher education in Europe serve as an important reference, and SHARE – implemented by the consortium partners British Council, Campus France, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Nuffic, the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA), and the European University Association (EUA) – is ideally positioned to contribute this expertise.

We wish you all a stimulating and fruitful experience at the Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum!



**H.E. Prof. Dr Myo Thein Gyi**

*Union Minister for Education,  
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**Kristian Schmidt**

*Ambassador of the European  
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**Dr Pho Kaung**

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The recent focus of ASEAN on building a truly people-oriented and people-centred ASEAN Community has provided an opportunity for higher education students to become more aware of, and more involved, in building and promoting, the ASEAN Community.

The ASEAN-EU Support for Higher Education in ASEAN Region (SHARE) programme centres on the development of an ASEAN scholarship programme, inspired by the EU's Erasmus+ programme. This scholarship programme has begun to change the landscape of intra-ASEAN student mobility. This is the Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum, following the first held in Manila in 2017.

We believe that higher education harmonisation and a cross-ASEAN scholarship scheme can drive integration within ASEAN and create a stronger ASEAN identity. It will provide opportunities for ASEAN young people to study and work in other ASEAN countries, speak other ASEAN languages, experience cultures and cuisines of these countries, and develop friendships with other ASEAN nationals. These young people will then start to think of themselves not only as nationals of their own countries, but also as members of the ASEAN community. This embeds a clear ASEAN perspective within the individual lives of these young people.

This forum aims to empower the participating students to positively influence the development of an ASEAN identity in all ASEAN countries, through mobility programmes that enable students to experience life and study in another country.

The Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum brings together ASEAN students and graduates who have been recipients of a SHARE scholarship in ASEAN institutions, or the ASEAN International Mobility for Students (AIMS) by SEAMEO RIHED, and student mobility programmes of the AUN. Participants include those who participated in academic mobility programmes within and outside ASEAN region, as well as some who have

not yet had the opportunity. The forum will be primarily led by students, discussing the value of student mobility to themselves, to their home and host institutions, to the communities the students are from, and to the countries of ASEAN.

The Forum is part of SHARE's continuing series of Policy Dialogue events, with which the programme supports the emerging ASEAN Higher Education Area by engaging with policymakers, universities and students.

ASEAN and EU have jointly designed SHARE to support ASEAN's ambition to build an ASEAN Higher Education Area, to strengthen regional cooperation, enhance the quality, competitiveness and internationalisation of ASEAN higher education institutions and students, and thereby to contribute to a people-centred ASEAN Community. On this journey, SHARE provides ASEAN with relevant experience and expertise from the European Higher Education Area.

A consortium of British Council (lead), Campus France, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), EP-Nuffic, the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA) and the European University Association (EUA) implements SHARE on behalf of ASEAN and EU from 2015 to 2019. SHARE's work can be grouped in five areas.



This forum aims to empower the participating students to positively influence the development of an ASEAN identity in all ASEAN countries, through mobility programmes that enable students to experience life and study in another country. It will do this by:



Providing an opportunity for ASEAN students to share experiences, insights, and challenges in student mobility, thus highlighting and addressing successes and barriers of people-to-people mobility and connectivity.



An output of the Forum will be a statement from the participants articulating the benefits and challenges of continuing and expanding an intra-ASEAN scholarship scheme, particularly on the aspects of quality, affordability, practicality, equity, and sustainability. It is planned that this statement will be presented to the ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Education in October 2018.



The Forum will record, document, and promote the gains of student mobility, from those undertaking it, to encourage greater support from governments, partners and other stakeholders in pushing for deeper socio-cultural integration in ASEAN through people-to-people mobility.



The Forum will provide a platform for the new ASEAN University Student Council Union (AUSCU) to promote a representative student voice in the ongoing shaping of the ASEAN Higher Education Area discussions, with scholarships for student mobility at the core.



The focus of the Forum will be on intra-regional student mobility in ASEAN, rather than inter-regional and international student mobility. The forum will assess, primarily through the eyes of students, but also taking into account institutional and government perspectives, the benefits and challenges of expanding the reach of intra ASEAN scholarships to a wider number of students than at present.



## Relevant Research and Resources

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### **ASEAN State of Education Report 2013 (ASEAN Secretariat, 2013)**

<http://www.asean.org/storage/images/resources/2014/Oct/ASEAN%20State%20of%20Education%20Report%202013.pdf>

### **ASEAN Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Higher Education (ASEAN, 2015)**

<https://www.share-asean.eu/sites/default/files/KL-Declaration-on-HE-2015.pdf>

### **Bologna with Student Eyes 2015 (European Students' Union, 2015)**

<https://www.esu-online.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/BWSE-2015-online.pdf>

### **Erasmus Impact Study - A Comparative Analysis of the Effects of Erasmus on the Personality, Skills and Career of students of European Regions and Selected Countries (European Union, 2016)**

[http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education\\_culture/repository/education/library/study/2016/erasmus-impact\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/education_culture/repository/education/library/study/2016/erasmus-impact_en.pdf)

### **Gone International: Mobility Works (Universities UK 2018)**

[https://www.universitiesuk.ac.uk/policy-and-analysis/reports/Documents/International/GoneInternational2017\\_A4.pdf](https://www.universitiesuk.ac.uk/policy-and-analysis/reports/Documents/International/GoneInternational2017_A4.pdf)

### **Mapping Student Mobility and Credit Transfer Systems in the ASEAN Region (SHARE, 2016)**

<https://www.share-asean.eu/sites/default/files/Student-Mobility-and-CTS.pdf>

### **SHARE Policy Brief 2: Enhancing Internationalisation in ASEAN – Credit Transfer Systems and Student Mobility (SHARE, 2016)**

[https://www.share-asean.eu/sites/default/files/SHARE-Policy-Brief-2\\_October-2016.pdf](https://www.share-asean.eu/sites/default/files/SHARE-Policy-Brief-2_October-2016.pdf)

### **SHARE Policy Brief 6: Studying Abroad: Becoming ASEAN Regional Student Mobility**

[https://www.share-asean.eu/sites/default/files/Policy-Brief-6\\_Aug-2017\\_v.05.pdf](https://www.share-asean.eu/sites/default/files/Policy-Brief-6_Aug-2017_v.05.pdf)

### **The rationale for sponsoring students to undertake international study: an assessment of national student mobility scholarship programmes (British Council and DAAD, 2014)**

[https://www.britishcouncil.org/sites/default/files/e002\\_outward\\_mobility\\_study\\_final\\_v2\\_web.pdf](https://www.britishcouncil.org/sites/default/files/e002_outward_mobility_study_final_v2_web.pdf)

### **The Shape of Global Higher Education: National Policies Framework for International Engagement (British Council, 2016)**

[https://www.britishcouncil.org/sites/default/files/f310\\_tne\\_international\\_higher\\_education\\_report\\_final\\_v2\\_web.pdf](https://www.britishcouncil.org/sites/default/files/f310_tne_international_higher_education_report_final_v2_web.pdf)



# Programme

<b>08:30-09:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:00-09:30</b>	<p>Plenary Session</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <p>H.E Dr Myo Thein Gyi, <i>Union Minister for Education, Myanmar</i></p> <p>H.E. Kristian Schmidt, <i>Ambassador of the European Union to Myanmar</i></p> <p>Mr Ky-Anh Nguyen, <i>ASEAN Director of Sustainable Development Directorate, Socio-Cultural Community Department</i></p> <p>Dr Pho Kaung, <i>Rector, University of Yangon</i></p>
<b>09:30- 09:45</b>	<b>Group photo</b>
<b>09:45-10:00</b>	<b>Networking and Coffee break</b>
<b>10:00-11:00</b>	<p>Session 1 – Plenary Session</p> <p><b>Keynote Address</b></p> <p><b>How a mobility opportunity has changed me</b></p> <p>Ms Yoon Pwint May Thu, <i>Student Representative, University of Yangon, Myanmar</i></p> <p>Mr Dararath Uk, <i>Student Representative, University of Cambodia, Cambodia</i></p> <p>Ms Yanti Octaviani, <i>Student Representative, Bogor Agricultural University, Indonesia</i></p> <p>Chair: Dr John Law, <i>European Higher Education Expert</i></p>
<b>11:00-12:00</b>	<p>Session 2 – Plenary Session</p> <p><b>Panel Discussion</b></p> <p><b>The Big Picture: Mobility Schemes in ASEAN and the future</b></p> <p>SHARE Student Mobility Scheme: Ms Vu Thi Binh Minh, <i>Student Representative, SHARE Mobility alumna</i></p> <p>Resource Person: Mr Arief Maulana, <i>SHARE Programme Manager for Nuffic</i></p> <p>ASEAN International Mobility for Students: Ms Najihah binti Ahmad Lutfi, <i>AIMS alumna</i></p> <p>Resource Person: Ms Phunyanuch Pattanotai, <i>Programme Director, SEAMEO RIHED</i></p> <p>AUN-ACTS Mobility Scheme: Mr Dicky Johar Pribadi, <i>AUN-ACTS Mobility alumna</i></p> <p>Resource Person: Ms Naparat Phirawattanakul, <i>Senior Programme Officer, AUN</i></p> <p>Erasmus+ Mobility Scheme: Ms Ma Tin Htar Khine, <i>Erasmus+ ICM</i></p> <p>Resource Person: Mr Augustine Hti San, <i>Project Officer, EU Delegation to Myanmar</i></p> <p>Chair: Mr Miguel Borrromeo, <i>Senior Officer of Education, Youth and Sports Division, ASEAN Secretariat</i></p>
<b>12:00-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch, Networking and preparation for afternoon sessions</b>

<b>14:00-15:30</b>	<b>Sessions 3A, 3B and C – Parallel Sessions</b>		
	<p><b>Session 3A</b></p> <p><b>Why Mobility</b></p> <p><b>1. What's in it for me?</b> Lead: Mr Sokphyrakyuth Mer, <i>Student Representative of University of Cambodia, Cambodia</i></p> <p><b>2. For my host and home university?</b> Lead: Ms Souvanhny Souvimon, <i>Student Representative of National University of Laos, Laos PDR</i></p> <p><b>3. For my host and home community? Articulating the benefits.</b> Lead: Ms Cho Zin Thet, <i>Student Representative of University of Mandalay, Myanmar</i></p> <p><b>4. Promoting the value of Mobility</b> Lead: Ms Sara Vinothini, <i>Student Representative of University of Malaysia, Sabah, Malaysia</i></p>	<p><b>Session 3B</b></p> <p><b>Enabling Mobility</b></p> <p>Student Observer: Ms Erica Esteban, <i>University of the Philippines, Philippines</i></p> <p>Participants: University leaders</p> <p>Chair: Dr Thida Win, <i>Rector, University of Mandalay</i></p>	<p><b>Session 3C</b></p> <p><b>Mapping Mobility</b></p> <p>Student Observer: Mr Thananya Laisan, <i>King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi</i></p> <p>Participants: National and Regional Representatives (ASEAN Secretariat, Government Representatives, AUN, SEAMEO RIHED, SHARE)</p> <p>Chair: Dr Kyaw Naing, <i>Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Myanmar</i></p>
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>Networking and Coffee break</b>		
<b>16:00-17:30</b>	<p>Session 4 – Plenary Session</p> <p><b>Capturing Outcomes of Session 3A, B and C</b></p> <p>Co- Chairs:</p> <p>Ms Sara Vinothini, <i>Student Representative of University of Malaysia, Sabah, Malaysia</i></p> <p>Dr Thida Win, <i>Rector, University of Mandalay</i></p> <p>Dr Kyaw Naing, <i>Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Myanmar</i></p>		
<b>18:00</b>	<b>Welcome Dinner hosted by Minister of Education, Myanmar</b>		



**09:00-10:00** Session 5 – Plenary Session  
**Why I value employees with international experience**  
 Mr Joshua Htet, *Senior Associate, Allen & Overy Limited*

Responses by:  
 Mr Fernando, *Research Intern, Worldfish, Myanmar*  
 Mr Ko Kaung Myat, *Senior Development Planner, United Nations Office for Project Services of Myanmar*

Chair: Mr Richard Sunderland, *Director, British Council Myanmar*

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**10:00-10:30** **Networking and Coffee break**

**10:30-11:30** Session 6 – Plenary Session  
**Mobility: Credit where it is due**  
 Mr Panya Chanthavong, *Acting Deputy General, Ministry of Education and Sports, Lao PDR*  
 Prof Zita Mohd Fahmi, *Chair of SHARE Expert Working Group for QA and Technical Advisor, AQAN*  
 Ms Naparat Phirawattanakul, *Senior Programme Officer, AUN*  
 Ms Phunyanuch Pattanotai, *Programme Director, SEAMEO RIHED*  
 Mr Johan Choucavy, *SHARE Programme Manager for Campus France*

Chair: Mr Sebastian Gries, *SHARE Programme Manager of DAAD*

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**11:30-14:00** **Lunch and Networking**

**14:00-15:30** Session 7 – Plenary Session  
**ASEAN Debate: the case for a mobility driven common higher education area for ASEAN countries**

Facilitator: Mr Ky-Anh Nguyen, *ASEAN Director of Sustainable Development Directorate, Socio-Cultural Community Department*

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**15:30-16:00** **Networking and Coffee break**

**16:00-16:30** Session 8 – Plenary Session  
**ASEAN student organisations: an update**

Chair: Mr John Derrick Ordoñez, *ASEAN University Student Council Union*



**16:30- 17:00** Session 9 – Plenary Session  
**Conclusions and Forward Look**

Rapporteur: Dr. John Law, *European Higher Education Expert*  
 Chair: Mr Peter van Tuijl, *SHARE Programme Director for Nuffic*

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**17:00-17:15** Plenary Session  
**Closing Remarks**

Dr Kyaw Naing, *Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Myanmar*  
 Mr Nguyen Ky-Anh, *ASEAN Director of Sustainable Development, Socio-Cultural Community Department Student Representative*  
 Mr Gordon Slaven, *SHARE Team Leader*

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**From 18:00** **Farewell Dinner**



**H.E. Prof. Dr Myo Thein Gyi**

*Union Minister for Education,  
Myanmar*

H.E. Dr. Myo Thein Gyi was born on 2nd September, 1965 in Yangon, Myanmar. He gained Master of Science Degree in Mathematics from Yangon University in 1992 and Dr. rer. nat. Degree from Technical University of Berlin, Germany in 1998.

He worked from the position of tutor to Associate Professor at the Department of Mathematics in Yangon University in the period 1986-2007. He gained promotion as Professor and then Pro-rector at Dagon University in the period 2007-2010 and worked as Pro-rector at Monywa University in 2010-2011. After that, he was appointed as Deputy Director-General for Higher Education (Lower Myanmar) in 2011, Acting Director-General for No.(1) Department of Basic Education in 2012, Director-General for Department of Myanmar Education Research in the period 2012-2015. He worked as Rector of West Yangon University in 2015-2016. He has been performing as Union Minister for Education since 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2016.



**H.E. Kristian Schmidt**

*Ambassador of the European  
Union to Myanmar*

Kristian Schmidt is Ambassador of the European Union to Myanmar since 2017. A career official with the European Commission since 1999, he worked as Member of Cabinet and Deputy Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Poul Nielson, Development and Humanitarian Aid from 1999 to 2004, and as Deputy Head of Cabinet of Vice-President Siim Kallas, Administration, Audit and Anti-Fraud from 2004 to 2010. He served as Director, Human and Society Development, and Sustainable Development Directorates, Directorate-General for Development and Cooperation from 2011 to 2013. Before taking up his position in Myanmar, he was Ambassador of the European Union to Uganda from 2013 to 2017.

Prior to his career at the European Commission, he worked for the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, where in his last position he served as the First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Denmark to the United Nations in New York from 1997 to 1999. A national of Denmark, Ambassador Schmidt holds an M.Phil. in International Relations from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom, and an Economics degree from the University of Copenhagen, Denmark. He also studied at Universite de Droit, d'Economie et de Sciences d' Aix-Marseille III, and Institut d'Etudes Politiques, France, and at Universita di Bologna, Italy. He speaks Danish, English, French, Italian and German.





**Mr Ky-Anh Nguyen**

*ASEAN Director of Sustainable Development Directorate, Socio-Cultural Community Department*

Mr Nguyen Ky-Anh is Director of the Sustainable Development Directorate, ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community Department of the ASEAN Secretariat. Under his purview, he leads three divisions covering Culture and Information, the Environment (including Climate Change), Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance. Amongst others, he is focusing on coordination and implementation of sectoral work plans, especially cross-sectoral initiatives to realise the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Blueprint, as well as the ASCC-related matters in the ASEAN Vision 2025.

Prior to his current position, Mr Nguyen served as Senior Officer (Infrastructure) and Assistant Director (Culture and Information, which also covers Education and Youth). He has participated in several international fora to promote ASEAN in its cooperation with Dialogue Partners, international organisations, the industry and related professional groups.

# About



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**Policy Dialogues:** in support of harmonization of higher education in the ASEAN region with policy-makers as well as technical specialists.

**Qualifications Frameworks (QFs):** supporting the implementation of the ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework (AQRf) and the development of National Qualification Frameworks.

**Quality Assurance (QA):** fostering the ASEAN QA Framework (AQAF) at regional/national levels through a combination of European-ASEAN expert dialogue, framework development, dissemination workshops and capacity development.

**ASEAN Credit Transfer System (ACTS) & ASEAN-EU Credit Transfer System (AECTS):** Building on existing credit transfer systems (CTS), SHARE is setting up a common platform for online credit transfer and developing a comprehensive set of mobility tools. Extensive capacity building measures accompany the technical work.

**ACTS & AECTS Student Mobility with Scholarships:** SHARE has set up a comprehensive student mobility scheme for the ASEAN region and is implementing four student intakes by providing scholarships to some 500 ASEAN students for credit mobility within ASEAN and in the EU.

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ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) supports the vision of a regional Higher Education Space as a core element of people-to-people connectivity and the ASEAN Socio-cultural Community. Anchored on the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community Blueprint 2025, The ASEAN Work Plan on Education 2016-2020 includes as key priorities the strengthening of higher education sector through the implementation of robust quality assurance mechanisms, and fostering the role of higher education in the area of socio-economic development through university-industry partnerships. The Work Plan for Education expands education cooperation in ASEAN towards development of a more coordinated, cohesive and coherent ASEAN position and its contribution to global education goals, including in higher education.

In 2015, the ASEAN leaders acknowledged higher education as a catalyst in achieving economic and socio-cultural goals of ASEAN, and welcomed the adoption of the Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Higher Education at the 27th ASEAN Summit. Cooperation on higher education in ASEAN has gained momentum with the full implementation of the European Union Support to Higher Education in ASEAN Region (SHARE) in the same year. SHARE is a flagship project of the ASEAN Education Sector that aims to promote harmonisation of higher education, and introduce an ASEAN scholarship inspired by the EU's Erasmus Mundus to create space for higher education in ASEAN.

The ASEAN Education Sector is governed by and under the purview of the ASEAN Ministers of Education Meeting (ASEM), which convenes bi-annually, and the ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Education (SOM-ED) which meets annually. Chairmanship of both meetings rotates alphabetically between ASEAN Member States, and is held by Singapore in 2018. The ASEAN Secretariat supports coordination of sectoral activities through the Education, Youth and Sports Division (EYSD) and liaises with the SEAMEO Secretariat as well as with ASEAN Dialogue Partners and international organisations. Two ASEAN bodies focus specifically on education, the ASEAN University Network (AUN), headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand, and the ASEAN Quality Assurance Network (AQAN), headquartered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

For more information on ASEAN and higher education please visit:  
<http://asean.org/asean-socio-cultural/asean-education-ministers-meeting-ased/> or contact: [eyds@asean.org](mailto:eyds@asean.org)

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## About European Union

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The European Union (EU) is a unique grouping of 28 independent countries with around 510.1 million citizens living within its boundaries. The 28 EU Member States consist of: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

The European Union (EU) and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) have a dynamic partnership in a number of areas, from political dialogue, cooperation in non-traditional security areas, trade and investment relations, connectivity, to cooperation in community building among ASEAN member states. The EU SHARE programme was formulated responding to ASEAN's request as stipulated in ASEAN Five Year Work Plan on Education in the field of higher education.

Through the SHARE programme, EU will share its experience with the Bologna Process, which was launched in 1999 by the Ministers of Education and university leaders of 29 countries. The Bologna Process is an important process of harmonising various higher education systems in Europe aiming at creating a European Higher Education Area (EHEA). Most of the Bologna action lines, such as quality assurance, student and staff mobility, the European dimension in higher education, the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) and the Diploma Supplement, have their origins in the EU-funded activities of the Erasmus+ programme.

### Mission of the European Union to ASEAN

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# Partner Organisations

### Ministry of Education of Myanmar

The Ministry of Education (MOE) is the main provider of education in Myanmar and is functioning with the vision to create an education system that will generate a learning society capable of facing the challenges of the Knowledge Age. The Ministry is implementing short- and long-term education development plans to upgrade the education standard and to develop a lifelong learning society. The implementation of the education development plan has not only brought about the enhancement of the quality of higher education and promoted diversity, but it has also markedly increased accessibility to both basic and higher education.

MOE is composed of 11 Departments and six branches under the Union Minister's Office. MOE initiated the National Education Strategic Plan (NESP) aiming to improve access, quality and equity in the education sector. The plan also spells out the key challenges facing in education sector, and provides a roadmap for sector-wide reforms for the period 2016 to 2021.

In the NESP, 9 areas: Preschool and kindergarten education; Basic education – access, quality and inclusion; Basic education curriculum; Students assessment and examinations; Teacher education and management; Alternative education; Technical and vocational education and training; Higher education; Management, capacity development and quality assurance, are focused. It is also expected to improve teaching and learning, research and innovation leading to measurable improvements. In the higher education sector, the Ministry has been trying to cope with the changing international situations. There have been many cooperative activities among higher education institutions in ASEAN region. However, significant challenges in terms of infrastructure and access to resources, capacity building development for the teaching staff and administrative staff, management and curriculum reforms still remain to be resolved. To overcome these issues, MOE has been cooperating with various international organizations, institutions and development partners under the theme of ETVSCG (Education and TVET Sector Coordination Group), to support human resources development. Through support from the SHARE programme, Myanmar Universities get the opportunities to strengthen regional cooperation and enhance the quality, regional competitiveness and internationalization of higher education institutions and students. In Myanmar's education reform process, the role of international support and cooperation is very important and holding the international events like "Second ASEAN Student Mobility Forum" is very supportive and effective for capacity building development in Myanmar.

### The British Council

[www.britishcouncil.org](http://www.britishcouncil.org)

The British Council is the UK's international organisation for cultural relations and educational opportunities. It was founded in 1934 and today flourishes with representations in over 100 countries in six continents. The British Council is the main contractor of SHARE with the European Commission, and through its Indonesian office, coordinates SHARE's overall activities and leads on policy dialogues.

### Campus France

[www.campusfrance.org](http://www.campusfrance.org)

Campus France is the French national agency for the promotion of higher education, international student services, and international mobility. As a Public Industrial and Commercial Institution created in 2010, it operates under the authority and oversight of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, International Development, Education, Higher Education and Research. Campus France has a network of over 230 overseas offices and annexes in 119 countries including in 9 ASEAN Member States. Campus France is in charge of the Credit Transfer System of the SHARE Programme.

### German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

[www.daad.de](http://www.daad.de)

The DAAD is a joint organisation of German institutions of higher education. DAAD aims to promote academic co-operation world-wide, especially through the exchange of students, scholars, academics, and scientists. In addition to its headquarters in Bonn, the DAAD runs 14 regional offices in selected cities all over the world. DAAD's responsibility in the SHARE Project is to implement and coordinate all activities related to Qualification Frameworks and Quality Assurance.

### Nuffic

[www.nuffic.nl](http://www.nuffic.nl)

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### The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA)

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### The European University Association (EUA)

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The European University Association (EUA) is the representative organisation of universities and national rectors' conferences in 47 European countries. EUA plays a crucial role in the Bologna Process and in influencing EU policies on higher education, research and innovation. Thanks to its interaction with a range of other European and international organisations EUA ensures that the independent voice of European universities is heard, wherever decisions are being taken that will impact on their activities.







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