



Programme Book

SHARE Policy Dialogue

**HIGHER EDUCATION CONSULTATION DIALOGUE
ON THE ASEAN VISION 2025**

29-30 April 2019
Bangkok, Thailand

ASEAN recognises that the development of its higher education sector is essential to achieving its overall aspirations of empowering the peoples of ASEAN and strengthening the ASEAN Community. Student mobility, and the structures that underpin this support, contribute towards this development and in particular the eventual establishment of a common higher education area for ASEAN. This will help ensure a greater sense of ASEAN identity, greater student mobility, and support further ASEAN economic integration.

Over the last four years EU Support to Higher Education in the ASEAN Region (SHARE) programme has supported ASEAN in improving the ASEAN quality assurance framework (AQAF) and the ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework (AQRf). It has built a credit transfer system (CTS) to promote mobility and enabled over 500 students to experience studying in another ASEAN Member State. But SHARE will continue for just another two years and it is not the only party supporting the development of student mobility and internationalisation in ASEAN.

Supported by the ASEAN Secretariat, this Policy Dialogue will bring together ASEAN's key stakeholders in higher education to discuss how education can support the ASEAN Higher Education Vision 2025 and what SHARE can and should do in its proposed 2-year extension until 2021.

Specifically, the policy dialogue will focus on the opportunities for greater sustainability of the gains resulting from SHARE in the areas of QA and QF, CTS and student mobility, and the role of Policy Dialogues by

the time SHARE ends in 2021. In addition, it hopes to specifically determine how all key stakeholders in these areas can and should work together in the next two to five years to ensure the continued development of a shared and celebrated ASEAN higher education area.

The theme of this Policy Dialogue has therefore been chosen as:

**Higher Education Dialogue
in Support of the ASEAN Community
Vision 2025**

In the areas of QA, QF, CTS, student mobility and policy dialogues in ASEAN there are multiple key stakeholders, institutions, organisations, quasi-autonomous bodies and government departments involved in separate but related activities. If these bodies can come together to discuss a coordinated way forward and agree initial steps for sustainable ASEAN approaches for SHARE to support, all ASEAN member states (AMS), institutions and young people stand to benefit.

This Policy Dialogue will specifically invite key stakeholders from government, institutions and universities across ASEAN to discuss the key actions necessary for the development of a sustainable ASEAN higher education area. The SHARE programme has supported the development of this higher education area over the last 4 years and is keen to discuss the key issue of sustainability in the future, and how SHARE can support this vision over the next 2 years.

- 1 The Policy Dialogue will provide opportunity for key stakeholders in the areas of QA, QF, CTS, Student Mobility, and Higher Education policy to **share experiences, insights, and challenges** of developing an ASEAN higher education area and propose a vision for its sustainability in the future.

- 2 The Policy Dialogue will **identify and document the benefits, challenges and achievements of the development of an ASEAN higher education area, how it supports the ASEAN Vision 2025**, and seek to identify individual as well as common solutions to sustainability of the higher education area over the next 5 years with support from SHARE over the next 2 years.

- 3 The Policy Dialogue will inform a **SHARE Policy Brief** addressed to regional and national policy-makers and all key stakeholders attending.

- 4 The Policy Dialogue will **provide a platform that will allow SOM-ED to discuss SHARE as well as how to further improve the regional and national policy environment** to ensure that a more sustainable approach to an ASEAN higher education area is developed and to ensure SHARE provides the best possible support to make this a reality during its further 2 year extension.

- 5 The focus of the Policy Dialogue is on sustainability strategies for the development of specific areas supporting the development of a higher education area in ASEAN. Therefore, while resource persons from Europe will be invited, **the focus will be on speakers and facilitators from within ASEAN.**

08.30-09.00	Registration
09.00-09.15	A. Opening Programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming Remarks by SOM-ED Chair • Objectives of the Workshop
09.15-10.30	B.State of Play Harmonisation of Higher Education in ASEAN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASEAN Secretariat summary of ASEAN delivery of 2016-2020 Education workplan • Academic presentation – SE Asia and key trends • SHARE achievements to date and ASEAN context of programme key result areas. • The student experience – a first hand account <p>Comments/reactions</p> <p>Group Photo – all attendees</p>
10.45-11.15	Coffee break
11.15-12.30	C. Reviewing progress towards a shared vision and understanding of common goals for the development of an ASEAN Higher Education area. Analysis of approaches to higher education harmonisation and sustainability through 'talk show' and interactive discussion on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Qualifications Framework and Quality Assurance b. Credit Transfer System and Student Mobility c. Systematic support within ASEAN
12.30-13.30	Lunch
13.30-15.30	D. Breakout sessions Focused discussion on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Qualifications Framework and Quality Assurance 2. Student mobility and Credit Transfer System 3. Policy Dialogues
15.30-16.00	Coffee break
16.00-17.45	E. World Café Groups from session D receive short summary presentations from breakout session Rapporteurs and discuss Plenary discussion of breakout conclusions.
17.45-18.00	Summary and closing of Day 1
18.30-20.00	Dinner

08.30-09.30	F. Recap - Day 1 Output Rapporteurs from session D to provide recap of Day 1 with presentations and recommendations from day 1 breakout sessions
09.30-10.30	G. Common Vision This plenary session pulls together the output of Session C and the specific proposals, issues and recommendations from Sessions D & E OUTCOMES – options and recommendations on how SHARE can support the vision for ASEAN Higher Education during its 2-year extension
10.30-11.00	Coffee break
11.00-12:45	H. SHARE 2019-2021 extension in support of a sustainable ASEAN Higher Education area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk show style discussion with SOM-ED Focal Points and their responses to recommendations and suggestions gathered throughout the event • Round up and summary
12.45-13:00	I. Closing
13:00	Lunch



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 the British Council (lead), 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) implements SHARE on behalf of ASEAN and EU from 2015 to 2019. SHARE's work can be grouped in five areas:

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: eysd@asean.org

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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.

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The British Council
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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



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



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



Nuffic is the expertise and service centre for internationalisation in Dutch education. From its headquarters in The Hague and eleven offices worldwide, Nuffic pursues its mission of internationalising education. Nuffic has a expertise, is a service provider, a knowledge centre, and as a model for the internationalisation of education. Through its regional office based in Indonesia, Nuffic coordinates the scholarship activities with SHARE: both intra-ASEAN and ASEAN-EU.

The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA)
www.enqa.eu



The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA) has a mission to contribute significantly to the enhancement of the quality of European higher education and to act as a major driving force for the development of quality assurance (QA) across The European Higher Education AREA (EHEA). ENQA is a membership association representing circa 100 members and affiliate organisations. ENQA disseminates information, experiences and good practice in QA and its activities are designed to facilitate the implementation of the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the EHEA.



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