



# OECD-ASEAN MOU IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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On 9 February 2022, the Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD) and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in conjunction with the OECD Southeast Asia Ministerial Conference in Seoul, Republic of Korea. The MoU seeks to enhance cooperation between the OECD and ASEAN for a comprehensive, inclusive, and forward-looking partnership in support of the implementation of the Blueprints of the ASEAN Economic Community and the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community 2025, especially in the post-COVID-19 pandemic.

This new partnership shall strengthen OECD and ASEAN engagement through policy dialogues and the development of programmes, projects, and activities in the areas of shared priorities, including on taxation, public finance management, global value chains (GVCs), gender, social protection, and sustainability and green growth.

Since the signing of the MoU, OECD and the ASEAN Secretariat have been working closely together to translate this agreement into concrete projects and programmes between both organisations. The following implementation plan outlines the agreed upon activities under this MoU.

## Implementation Plan of OECD-ASEAN MoU

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1) Taxation	<p><b>Newly proposed:</b> Capacity building activities in the area of tax policy and administration (e.g., the OECD is offering various virtual training and e-learning modules for the region) (on-going). Following the release of the VAT Digital Toolkit for APAC jurisdictions in February 2022, a new technical assistance programme will be rolled out to support the Toolkit's implementation in the region.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> Engagement of countries in the region in international tax standard setting and implementation (e.g. countries in the region are actively engaging in the advancement of the Two-Pillar Solution to Address the Tax Challenges Arising from the Digitalisation of the Economy. Regional Consultations on BEPS for the Asia-Pacific region are to be held in January 2022, in collaboration with the ADB, CATA, SGATAR and PITA.).</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> Global Forum on Transparency and Exchange of Information for Tax Purposes: members include Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> Statistics in Asia and the Pacific series (annual publication), which has covered Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand since 2018 and Lao PDR and Viet Nam since 2021.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Tax Policy and Administration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration  Broad Strategy 4: Accelerating Inclusive Digital Transformation  Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable	<p><b><u>Centre for Tax Policy and Administration</u></b></p> <p>Koji Ono, Senior Adviser, Global Relations Division  <a href="mailto:koji.ono@oecd.org">koji.ono@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> Further collaboration with regional organisations, such as the ADB, on domestic resource mobilisation and international tax cooperation (e.g. OECD has been named as an observer to the ADB Tax Hub Steering Committee.).</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> Tax Inspectors Without Borders (TIWB) Programme (e.g. the programmes commenced in Malaysia and Thailand, respectively focusing on the effective use of automatic exchange of information and Transfer Pricing audit cases.)</p>		and Resilient Future	
2) Public financial management	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The <b>Asian Network of Senior Budget Officials</b> provides resources to ASEAN members and other Asian countries on budgeting, public financial management, performance and results and financial reporting. The Network was established in 2001 and is well supported through senior representation by countries. Recent priority topics for the Network include resources on green budgeting, gender budgeting, well-being and measurements that are beyond GDP, initiatives to spend better. Further information is available <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 2: Strengthening	<p><b>Public Governance Directorate</b> Andrew Blazey, Deputy Head, Public Management and Budgeting Division <a href="mailto:Andrew.blazey@oecd.org">Andrew.blazey@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD is developing a 2022 edition of the OECD/UCLG World Observatory on Subnational Government Finance and Investment (SNG-WOFI). The World Observatory is the leading source of internationally comparable data and analysis on subnational government structure and finance. The 2022 edition will include data on over 140 countries, including ASEAN countries. The Asian Development Bank is supporting the development of the 2022 edition.</p>		<p>Human Security</p> <p>Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future</p>	<p><b><u>Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities</u></b></p> <p>Isabelle Chatry, Head, Decentralisation, Subnational Finance and Infrastructure unit, Regional Development and Multi-level Governance Division  <a href="mailto:Isabelle.chatry@oecd.org">Isabelle.chatry@oecd.org</a></p>
<p><b>3) Good regulatory practice (GRP)</b></p>	<p><b>Ongoing: Case study collection on regulatory reforms in Southeast Asia (ongoing – projected mid-2022 release):</b> Project seeks to gain a deeper understanding of recent regulatory reforms in ASEAN member states, focusing on good regulatory practices and digitalisation. Special workshop of the ASEAN-OECD Good Regulatory Practices Network (GRPN) will be held to discuss preliminary findings. Report with country profiles and analytical chapter will be released.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p>Good regulatory practices</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p> <p>Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration</p> <p>Broad Strategy 4: Accelerating</p>	<p><b><u>Public Governance Directorate</u></b></p> <p>Daniel Trnka, Acting Head of Division, Regulatory Policy Division,  <a href="mailto:Daniel.TRNKA@oecd.org">Daniel.TRNKA@oecd.org</a></p> <p>James Drummond, Policy Analyst, Regulatory Policy Division  <a href="mailto:james.drummond@oecd.org">james.drummond@oecd.org</a></p>

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			Inclusive Digital Transformation  Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future	
<b>4) Trade Facilitation</b>	<b>Ongoing: Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFIs) database</b> and assessment of trade facilitation policy developments, including in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration	<b>Trade and Agriculture Directorate</b>  Silvia Sorescu, Trade Policy Analyst, Emerging Policy Issues Division <a href="mailto:silvia.sorescu@oecd.org">silvia.sorescu@oecd.org</a>

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5) Investment	The OECD Investment Division, in collaboration with the OECD Centre for Responsible Business Conduct, will seek to support SEA countries under Pillar 5 of the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework, particularly its component on sustainable and responsible investment.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Investment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximizing Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration	<b><u>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</u></b>  Ana Novik, Head, Investment Division <a href="mailto:Ana.novik@oecd.org">Ana.novik@oecd.org</a>  Stephen Thomsen, Deputy Head of Division and Head of Policy Framework for Investment/ Investment Policy Reviews Unit, <a href="mailto:Stephen.THOMSEN@oecd.org">Stephen.THOMSEN@oecd.org</a>
6) Responsible Business Conduct (RBC)	The OECD has recently concluded a wide-ranging programme in the region promoting RBC standards and responsible supply chains. The programme includes regional components as well as country-specific support for Thailand, Viet Nam, Philippines, and Myanmar. Funding to continue this programme is pending but could feature as part of the OECD-ASEAN MoU implementation plan if extended.  <b><u>Newly proposed:</u></b> Project: Promoting Responsible Business Conduct and Enhancing Private Sector Contribution to the SDGs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Investment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximizing Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market	<b><u>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</u></b>  Froukje Boele, Head of Government Policy and Regional Programmes, OECD Centre for Responsible Business Conduct, <a href="mailto:Froukje.BOELE@oecd.org">Froukje.BOELE@oecd.org</a>  Tuong Dung Nguyen, Policy Analyst, OECD Centre for Responsible Business Conduct, <a href="mailto:Tuongdung.Nguyen@oecd.org">Tuongdung.Nguyen@oecd.org</a>

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	<p>The Project aims to support ACRF and the implementation of the OECD-ASEAN MOU to build more sustainable and resilient global supply chains in Southeast Asia. In particular, the project will leverage responsible business conduct (RBC) principles and standards set out in the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, as well as use practical tools of the Due Diligence Guidance to help governments and companies ensure that the human protection, environmental, social and other governance issues are central in the design and implementation of policies.</p> <p>The project will achieve these goals through activity tracks with governmental policy adoptions and business operationalization.</p> <p>Activity proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Objective 1:</b> Scale up capacity, collective actions on RBC policies and supply chain due diligence among policy makers, businesses, and relevant stakeholders               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Activities:</b> Joint report on the uptake of RBC in Southeast Asia with ASEAN BAC, fact-based support to policy makers for creating an enabling framework for RBC, fact-based advisory to business for broader and effective uptake of international standards on RBC; provide training materials, e-learning courses and other hands-on resources for business practitioners; consider integrating RBC in</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		and Broader Economic Integration	



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	<p>ASEAN agriculture/ finance sustainable guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Objective 2:</b> Increasing capacity on strategic and emerging areas through enhancing the role of RBC in COVID-19 recovery plans, climate crisis, future of work, digital transition, and remedy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Activities:</b> Policy advice on salient RBC issues by theme and/or sector, e.g. SMEs, climate, biodiversity, gender, digital transition; Knowledge sharing and exchange of good practices among business for operationalising RBC and due diligence; Organize joint workshop with ASEAN on resilient of supply chains</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
7) Trade in Services	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> Joint project between OECD and the ASEAN Coordinating Committee on Services (CCS) to develop the OECD Services Trade Restrictiveness Index (STRI) for ASEAN Member States. The objective is to promote services trade, regulatory reform and economic development among AMS while diversifying the OECD Trade Committee's work on services trade policy in the global economy. Results of the pilot phase covering logistics, telecommunications, construction and consumer services are expected in Q2 2023.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader	<p><b><u>Trade and Agriculture Directorate</u></b></p> <p>John Drummond, Head, Trade in Services Division  <a href="mailto:John.drummond@oecd.org">John.drummond@oecd.org</a></p>

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			Economic Integration	
8) Global Value Chains (GVCs)	<p><b>Newly proposed:</b> Joint thematic analysis on selected aspects of GVCs. All ASEAN economies are now included in the OECD's Inter-Country Input-Output (ICIO) database and its related Trade in Value Added (TiVA) and Trade in Embodied CO<sub>2</sub> databases, as of November 2021 with the addition of Laos PDR and Myanmar. This activity could include development of TiVA Country Notes for ASEAN economies.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Innovation Trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximizing Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration	<p><b><u>Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)</u></b> Colin Webb, Senior Statistician, Productivity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Division <a href="mailto:Colin.WEBB@oecd.org">Colin.WEBB@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Kelsey Burns, Counsellor, <a href="mailto:Kelsey.burns@oecd.org">Kelsey.burns@oecd.org</a></p>
9) Competition and Consumer Protection	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD has reached out to the ASEAN Committee on Consumer Protection (ACCP) to co-organise a side event at the SEARP Ministerial on <b>Nudging Consumers Towards Greener Choices</b>.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The ACCP has invited the OECD Secretariat to participate in the ASEAN's third international consumer conference, Q2 2022.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Innovation Initiative	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3 Maximising the Potential of	<p><b><u>Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)</u></b> Brigitte Acoca, Head Consumer Policy Unit <a href="mailto:Brigitte.ACOCA@oecd.org">Brigitte.ACOCA@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Kelsey Burns, Counsellor, <a href="mailto:Kelsey.burns@oecd.org">Kelsey.burns@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD's Committee on Consumer Policy and the ACCP agreed (at their respective November 2021 meetings) to organise in 2023 a <b>third joint meeting on e-commerce, product safety and sustainable consumption</b>. In the lead up to the event, a webinar could be organised to share information about the implementation of the OECD Recommendation on ecommerce and to enable its consistency with new ASEAN guidelines being developed in this area.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD is in advanced discussions with the ASEAN Secretariat and UK FCDO, to do a 1-year follow on project of the competition assessments and competitive neutrality reviews in ASEAN. This follows on a 3-year project focused on competition in the logistics sector. This would support: 3 countries to implement the recommendations set out in the country reports (Brunei, the Philippines, Thailand), update 2 countries reports (Indonesia and Viet Nam), as well as ASEAN wide capacity building events for regulators on competition assessment and competitive neutrality.</p> <p>Discussions are well advanced with the ASEAN Secretariat for the OECD to offer support on International Cooperation and Harmonization of the Competition laws under the ASEAN Competition Plan. This would include at a minimum 4 workshops, one for each quarter of 2022, potential support for development of draft principles, and then support for ASEAN to</p>	<p>Competition</p>	<p>Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration 3a) - keeping markets open for trade and investment</p> <p>3b) - elimination of non-tariff barriers and cutting down market distorting policies</p>	<p><b>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</b></p> <p>Ruben Maximiano, Senior Competition Expert, Competition Division <a href="mailto:Ruben.Maximiano@oecd.org">Ruben.Maximiano@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Miles Larbey, Co-ordinator, Consumer Finance, Insurance and Pensions Division <a href="mailto:Miles.Larbey@oecd.org">Miles.Larbey@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Chiara Monticone, Co-ordinator, International Network on Financial Education <a href="mailto:Chiara.Monticone@oecd.org">Chiara.Monticone@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>develop the Framework in 2022-25 could be envisaged. Discussions with Australia for funding have been initiated.</p> <p>Initial discussions for further work with ASEC include the competition assessment of rules and regulations in another sector, from a digitalisation enablement perspective, such as in Fintech or energy. Discussions also include supporting ASEAN with work on digital platforms, including regulatory options.</p> <p>Planning is underway to continue to deliver further Primers on Competition Law for ASEAN Judges (6 have already been launched). Funding is being discussed with Australia for another batch of Primers to be undertaken together with the Federal Court of Australia.</p> <p>The OECD supports financial consumer protection and financial literacy in Asia via research, outreach and events in partnership with countries in the region, including projects funded by the Japanese Government. The joint OECD-OJK conference on Financial Inclusion, Financial Consumer Protection and Financial Literacy in the Asia-Pacific region that took place in December 2021 is part of the OECD's ongoing programme of outreach to countries in the region on these topics.</p> <p>The OECD is also conducting dedicated research on consumer experiences of COVID-19 policy responses in three Asian economies (Indonesia, Malaysia and Cambodia), to be</p>			

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	published in April 2022 (supported with financing from the Japanese Government).			
10) Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)	<p><b>Ongoing: ASEAN SME Policy Index 2024</b> The OECD, in collaboration with ERIA, is lending its expertise to develop the next edition of the ASEAN SME Policy Index, scheduled for publication in 2024. The project is led by the ASEAN Coordinating Committee on Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (ACCMSME) with funding support from the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) through the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH. The ASPI 2024 would revisit and update the findings from ASPI 2018, and respond to lessons learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic. Thematic policy briefs and policy dialogues will be organised throughout the project.</p> <p><b>Ongoing: Report “ASEAN SMEs Integration in GVCs: Opportunities and Challenges in Response to Covid-19”</b> The Report is being finalised by the OECD. Funded by the Government of Canada through the Canada-OECD Project on ASEAN SMEs (COPAS), the Report provides a brief overview on the degree of integration of ASEAN countries in Global Value Chains (GVCs), focusing on SMEs and investigating the challenges and opportunities that these firms face in response to COVID-19, as well as considering gender-specific challenges and draw policy implications.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<p><b><u>OECD Southeast Asia Regional Programme</u></b></p> <p>Mr. Max Bulakovskiy, Policy Analyst and Project Manager Southeast Asia Division Global Relations <a href="mailto:Max.Bulakovskiy@oecd.org">Max.Bulakovskiy@oecd.org</a></p>

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11) Digital transformation and the Fourth Industrial Revolution (“4IR”)	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD has started a new project on <b>Extending Connectivity in Southeast Asia</b>, grounded in the recently adopted OECD <a href="#">Recommendation on Broadband Connectivity</a>. The project aims to assess connectivity divides in certain countries in the region (likely to include Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, Viet Nam and Malaysia) and will identify key provisions of the Recommendation that can help extend connectivity and improve the quality of broadband services across this region. The project will also deliver a <b>roadmap on how to implement these policies and regulatory measures</b>. This 2-year project is supported by a voluntary contribution from Korea, and will be part of the SEARP Ministerial discussions in February 2022 in Seoul.</p> <p><b>Newly proposed:</b> Complementing this effort, the OECD could also bring together relevant ASEAN national ministries and statistical bodies in to <b>enhance the region’s capacity to measure the national and regional drivers, pace and impacts of digital transformation</b>. These activities would enable the OECD to gather the data needed to integrate ASEAN member states into the online <a href="#">OECD Going Digital Toolkit</a>. Integration into the Toolkit would involve the creation of bespoke country pages with the full suite of country dashboards and data visualisations available (e.g. the overall “snapshot” visualisation that shows available Toolkit indicators at a glance, country progress in the available indicators across time, and leading and lagging indicators).</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Innovation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 4: Accelerating inclusive digital transformation	<p><b><u>Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)</u></b></p> <p>Verena Weber, Communication Infrastructures and Services Policy Unit, <a href="mailto:Verena.WEBER@oecd.org">Verena.WEBER@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Molly Leshner, Senior Digital Economist/Analyst, <a href="mailto:Molly.Leshner@oecd.org">Molly.Leshner@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Kelsey Burns, Counsellor, <a href="mailto:Kelsey.burns@oecd.org">Kelsey.burns@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>Subject to interest, timing, and funding, the OECD could also undertake in-depth country reviews to accompany the interactive Toolkit:</p> <p><b>Newly proposed: OECD Telecommunication and Broadcasting Review</b> (building on the 2019 report, <a href="#">Southeast Asia Going Digital: Connecting SMEs</a>). These reviews provide a comprehensive examination of a country's communication and broadcasting sectors, highlighting areas for regulatory and policy reform that can help ensure a successful and inclusive digital transformation and offering policy recommendations. They also analyse market performance of the sectors, as well as underlying policies and regulations.</p> <p><b>Newly proposed: OECD Review of Digital Transformation.</b> Going Digital reviews analyse recent developments of the digital economy in the country, review policies related to digitalisation and make recommendations to increase policy coherence in this area.</p>			
12) Innovation	<p><b>Newly proposed: Possible joint activities could include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A joint seminar on reorienting national STI systems towards global challenges and meeting the Sustainable Development Goals, drawn from the new OECD "S&amp;T Policy 2025" project.</li> </ul>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Innovation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 5: Advancing	<p><b><u>Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)</u></b></p> <p>Mario Cervantes, Senior Economist/Analyst, <a href="mailto:Mario.CERVANTES@oecd.org">Mario.CERVANTES@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical workshop between OECD and ASEAN countries to facilitate <b>ASEAN country reporting of STI policies to the <a href="#">STIP Compass</a></b>, OECD’s international database of science, technology and innovation policies.</li> <li>• A <b>joint event on technology governance</b> between ASEAN and the OECD Working Party on Biotechnology, Nanotechnology and Converging Technologies, following on the December 2021 <a href="#">Technology in and for Society</a> Conference.</li> <li>• Technical workshops on <b>measuring directionality of public support to R&amp;D and innovation activities</b>, including measurement of R&amp;D tax credits and their impacts.</li> </ul>		Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future	Kelsey Burns, Counsellor, <a href="mailto:Kelsey.burns@oecd.org">Kelsey.burns@oecd.org</a>
13) Productivity	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> Building from the report published in 2020 on <a href="#">Promoting the Productivity of SMEs in ASEAN Countries</a>, the OECD co-organized with ERIA a high-level side event at the SEARP Ministerial on <b>Gearing up for a Post-Pandemic World: Designing Policies for an Innovative and Sustainable Recovery in Southeast Asia</b>.</p> <p>Should the panel generate interest in further discussions, a series of “deep dive” virtual panels touching upon more specific topics could be envisaged in partnership with ASEAN.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Innovation	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<p><b><u>Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)</u></b></p> <p>Marcio Carvalho, <a href="mailto:Marcio.CARVALHO@oecd.org">Marcio.CARVALHO@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Kelsey Burns, Counsellor, <a href="mailto:Kelsey.burns@oecd.org">Kelsey.burns@oecd.org</a></p>



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	<b>Newly proposed:</b> A joint event between the OECD Global Forum on Productivity (GFP) and ASEAN could be organised to extend membership in the GFP Steering Group in the region.			
14) Sustainable agriculture	<b>Newly proposed:</b> Exchange of information on policy directions fostering more sustainable agricultural production.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<b>Trade and Agriculture Directorate</b> Guillaume Gruere, Acting Head of Division, Agriculture and Resource Policies Division, <a href="mailto:Guillaume.GRUERE@oecd.org">Guillaume.GRUERE@oecd.org</a>
15) Financial Integration	<b>Newly proposed:</b> Discussions are underway with Japan for a multi-year project on capital flow openness and management in the Asia region, aimed at supporting ongoing policy debates in Asia by deepening the dialogue and cooperation on capital flow issues between Asian countries and the OECD, leveraging on the OECD experience in different parts of the world.  The OECD also cooperates with the South East Asian Central Bank Research Centre (SEACEN), having concluded a joint research project on capital flows and presented the OECD Codes to the SEACEN High Level Policy Summit in 2021.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<b>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</b> Ana Novik, Head, Investment Division <a href="mailto:Ana.novik@oecd.org">Ana.novik@oecd.org</a>  Winfrid Blaschke, Head of Investment Standards and Capital Flows Unit <a href="mailto:Winfrid.Blaschke@oecd.org">Winfrid.Blaschke@oecd.org</a>  Etienne Lepers, Economist, Investment Division <a href="mailto:Etienne.Lepers@oecd.org">Etienne.Lepers@oecd.org</a>
16) Corporate Governance	<b>Ongoing:</b> A review of SOE governance reform in Viet Nam is ongoing, through 2021-2022. The review will analyse the current SOE landscape in Viet Nam, assess it against recommendations in the OECD Guidelines on Corporate Governance of SOEs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate)	<b>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</b>

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	<p>("SOE Guidelines"), and make recommendations regarding future reform. Depending on a positive outcome of the Review and Viet Nam's intention, the OECD could recognise Viet Nam as an Adherent to the SOE Guidelines and Viet Nam could become a regular participant in the OECD Working Party on State Ownership and Privatisation Practices. A follow-up project on the implementation of the recommendations of the Review through capacity development activities will depend on Viet Nam's whole-of-government commitment and the availability of further voluntary contributions.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The 14th meeting of the OECD/Asia-Pacific Network on Corporate Governance of State-Owned Enterprises took place virtually through three sessions (8 September, 6 October and 3 November) in 2021 featuring a large range of topics related to SOE governance. The Network's new report on <a href="#">Responsible Business Conduct in the SOE sector in Asia</a> was published in January 2022. The next (on-site or virtual) meeting of the Network will take place in late 2022. Two reports on SOEs' role in green transition and national practices on remuneration of SOE boards in selected Asian countries will be published in late 2022.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The <a href="#">OECD-Asia Roundtable on Corporate Governance</a> (comprising all ASEAN members) is a regional forum for exchanging experiences and advancing corporate governance reforms while promoting awareness and use of the</p>	indicate the workstream)	the ACRF Strategies)	<p>Marie-Estelle Rey, Senior Policy Analyst, Corporate Governance and Corporate Finance Division <a href="mailto:Marie-Estelle.REY@oecd.org">Marie-Estelle.REY@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Chung-a Park, Policy Analyst, Corporate Governance and Corporate Finance Division <a href="mailto:Chung-A.PARK@oecd.org">Chung-A.PARK@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p><a href="#">G20/OECD Principles of Corporate Governance</a>. Supported by Japan, it holds regular meetings. The forthcoming meeting (20 January 2022) will address the review of the G20/OECD Principles, present the draft OECD report “Corporate Finance in Asia and the COVID-19 Crisis”, and discuss ESG, Climate Change and Corporate Governance (background paper). Subsequent meeting should be held in Viet Nam during fall 2022.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> A specific <a href="#">project with Indonesia</a> supported corporate governance reforms. In 2021, it allowed to build awareness on the review of the G20/OECD Principles in light of the country’s priorities and its G20 Presidency in 2022. A G20/OECD Corporate Governance Forum in cooperation with the G20 Indonesian Presidency is foreseen in 2022. The OECD signed an MoU with the Financial Services Authority of Indonesia (OJK) in 2016.</p>			
17) Transport	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> Activities related to transport have been developed by the International Transport Forum (ITF) jointly with the ASEAN Secretariat through the ITF-ASEAN Transport Research initiative, which includes projects on the 1) management of road safety data, 2) implementation of the ASEAN Fuel Economy Roadmap and 3) regulation of app-based mobility services. In addition, the ITF has contributed to the development of the “COVID-19 Recovery Guidelines for Resilient and Sustainable International Road Freight Transport Connectivity in ASEAN” in a joint ASEAN-ESCAP-ITF initiative. The Guidelines are</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Sustainable infrastructure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN	<p><b><u>International Transport Forum (ITF)</u></b></p> <p>Guineng Chen, Team Lead, Data and Policy Analytics, International Transport Forum at the OECD <a href="mailto:guineng.chen@itf-oecd.org">guineng.chen@itf-oecd.org</a></p>

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	included in the Implementation Plan of the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework and are being updated in 2022.		Market and Broader Economic Integration  Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future	
18) Statistics	<b><u>Newly proposed:</u> Capacity building to better leverage TiVA and related ICIO databases.</b> As of November 2021 with the addition of Lao PDR and Myanmar, all ASEAN economies are now included in the OECD's Inter-Country Input-Output database and its related Trade in Value Added (TiVA) and Trade in Embodied CO <sub>2</sub> (TECO <sub>2</sub> ) databases. The OECD could provide half-day virtual training sessions for ASEAN economies on how to use, and best leverage, each of the TiVA and (TECO <sub>2</sub> ) databases, and also the Trade in Employment database by gender.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Innovation Trade	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 3: Maximizing Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration	<b><u>Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)</u></b>  Colin Webb, Senior Statistician, Productivity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Division <a href="mailto:Colin.WEBB@oecd.org">Colin.WEBB@oecd.org</a>  Kelsey Burns, Counsellor, <a href="mailto:Kelsey.burns@oecd.org">Kelsey.burns@oecd.org</a>

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19) Tourism	The activities related to Tourism policy will be added in due course.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Tourism	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	
20) Well-being measurement and policies	<p><b><u>Newly proposed: Project on How's Life in Southeast Asia?</u></b>  <b>Description:</b> This report will offer a comprehensive analysis of well-being in Southeast Asian countries, using the <a href="#">OECD Well-Being framework</a> adapted to the specificities of the region. Beyond analysis, the report would describe how applying a well-being approach to policy would support ASEAN countries in addressing the highly interconnected challenges they face on a variety of dimensions. The report would also present key findings in measurement of well-being in the region before and after the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in order to ensure sustainable development and an inclusive recovery.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 5) Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future	<p><b><u>Centre for Well-being, Inclusion, Sustainability and Equal Opportunity (WISE)</u></b></p> <p>Jihye Lee, Senior Policy Analyst,  <a href="mailto:Jihye.LEE@oecd.org">Jihye.LEE@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Liva Stokenberga, Policy Analyst,  <a href="mailto:Liva.STOKENBERGA@oecd.org">Liva.STOKENBERGA@oecd.org</a></p>

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<p><b>21) Narrowing the Development Gap among the ASEAN Member States</b></p>	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The Development Centre's flagship publication Economic Outlook for Southeast Asia, China and India regularly monitors regional development in ASEAN including the process of narrowing development gap among the ASEAN member states. Narrowing development gap is an important challenge in the region. ASEAN members are very diverse and development levels vary widely in the region. Disparities within the region are significant and complex, and exist both among and within member economies. Development gaps between ASEAN member countries create additional barriers to the implementation of uniform targets and harmonisation of policies in regional level.</p> <p>The Outlook provides analyses on economic growth, development and regional integration processes in Emerging Asia (ASEAN-10 member countries, China, and India). Each edition features a regional economic monitor exploring current macroeconomic conditions and projections for the region and a thematic focus consistent with the main agenda of ASEAN and East Asia Summit each year. The Outlook is regularly presented at the ASEAN Business and Investment Summit (ABIS) or a related event. The report also provides country- and region-level policy advice.</p> <p>In addition, the Development Centre's Emerging Markets Network (EMnet) provides a platform for exchanges with multinationals active in the region on the topics of the Economic</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p>Regional Economic Outlook</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p> <p>The Outlook series addresses Broad Strategies 1-5 through different thematic focuses in each edition</p>	<p><b><u>Development Centre</u></b></p> <p>Kensuke Tanaka, Head, Asia Unit  <a href="mailto:kensuke.tanaka@oecd.org">kensuke.tanaka@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Prasiwi Ibrahim, Deputy Head, Asia Unit  <a href="mailto:prasiwi.ibrahim@oecd.org">prasiwi.ibrahim@oecd.org</a></p>

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	Outlook, with a view to enhancing the private sector's contribution to economic development in the region.			
<b>22) Smart cities</b>	The activities related to smart cities policy will be added in due course.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	
<b>23) Sustainable infrastructure</b>	<p><b><u>Ongoing: Regional Policy Network on Sustainable Infrastructure</u></b> (ongoing, planned for mid-February 2022); Proposal to develop <b>Infrastructure Governance Indicators</b> for ASEAN members (new project, to be discussed at RPN);</p> <p><b><u>Ongoing: Review of good practices for quality infrastructure investment</u></b>, based on the OECD Compendium of Policy Good Practices Capacity building for mobilising finance for sustainable infrastructure investment.</p> <p><b><u>Ongoing: Sustainable Infrastructure Programme in Asia (SIPA)</u></b> The Sustainable Infrastructure Programme in Asia (SIPA) aims to help countries in Central and Southeast Asia make the transition towards low-carbon and climate-resilient energy, transport and industrial systems while generating growth and</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p>Sustainable infrastructure</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p> <p>Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration</p> <p>Broad Strategy 5: Advancing</p>	<p><b><u>Public Governance Directorate</u></b> Edwin Lau, Head, Infrastructure and Public Procurement Division <a href="mailto:Edwin.lau@oecd.org">Edwin.lau@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Environment Directorate</u></b> Virginie Marchal, Senior Programme Manager <a href="mailto:Virginie.MARCHAL@oecd.org">Virginie.MARCHAL@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>jobs. The programme provides policy advice, technical assistance and capacity development to help governments better plan, finance and implement infrastructure investment projects aligned with the Paris Agreement and the SDGs.</p> <p><b>Ongoing: The Clean Energy Finance and Investment Mobilisation (CEFIM) programme</b></p> <p>The CEFIM programme aims to strengthen enabling conditions to attract finance and investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency in <a href="#">Indonesia</a>, <a href="#">Philippines</a>, <a href="#">Thailand</a> and <a href="#">Viet Nam</a>. Activities are designed to support finance and investment in clean energy according to the specific needs of each partner country. This includes the CEFIM Clean Energy Finance and Investment Review and Roadmap, various implementation support activities, investor dialogues and best practice sharing.</p> <p>The CEFIM programme is ongoing in all countries. In 2021, CEFIM delivered the Clean Energy Finance and Investment (CEFI) Review in Viet Nam and Indonesia, providing holistic analysis and recommendations that draw on international best practice. The Philippines and Thailand programme both started in 2021 with planning underway for a CEFI Roadmap in each country, bringing together stakeholders to determine an action plan that identifies and addresses bottlenecks constraining finance and investment. Starting in 2022, CEFIM will also</p>		Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future	Cecilia Tam, Principal Policy Analyst, <a href="mailto:Cecilia.TAM@oecd.org">Cecilia.TAM@oecd.org</a>



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	<p>collaborate with the public and private sectors of Indonesia and Thailand in developing financing solutions to accelerate the decarbonisation of the hard to abate industry sector.</p> <p><b><u>Ongoing: Water Security</u></b></p> <p>The Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea (MoE), the Asia Water Council (AWC) and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) have agreed to strengthen collaboration and work with governments and stakeholders in 8-9 Asian countries to identify policies and financing approaches that can scale up and secure financing for investments that address Asia's current and future water issues, and contribute to sustainable growth.</p> <p>Thailand is pioneering this collaboration and work started in 2020. Indonesia signalled its interest to start cooperation in 2022. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Asia International Water Week, hosted by Indonesia in March 2022, will contribute to the regional track. Both regional and domestic tracks will continue over the next few years, with the ambition to contribute to achieving the water</p> <p><b><u>Ongoing:</u></b> The OECD is developing a policy paper titled "Promoting sustainable urban infrastructure in Southeast Asia". In response to the rapid increase in demand for sustainable urban infrastructure and its financing in Southeast Asia, the paper will review instruments to finance urban development (e.g.</p>			<p>Xavier Leflaive, Principal Administrator, <a href="mailto:Xavier.LEFLAIVE@oecd.org">Xavier.LEFLAIVE@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities</u></b> Tadashi Matsumoto, Head, Sustainable Development and Global Relations Unit <a href="mailto:Tadashi.Matsumoto@oecd.org">Tadashi.Matsumoto@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>housing, transport, urban renewal) with sustainable infrastructure and identify obstacles (e.g. institutions, legislative and planning frameworks, governance systems and capacities), thereby providing tailored policy recommendations for the region.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD is preparing a “toolkit on infrastructure funding and financing in cities and regions” to support the G20 Infrastructure Working Group under the Indonesian G20 Presidency. The toolkit will provide examples of funding and financing mechanisms and include a particular focus on Asian countries through a partnership with the Asian Development Bank. A joint ADB-OECD workshop will also be held in 2022 to support the development of this toolkit. The toolkit will build on the 2021 report for the G20 on “Unlocking Infrastructure Investment: Innovative funding and financing in regions and cities”.</p> <p><b>Ongoing::</b> The OECD is preparing a “report on addressing regional disparities in access to infrastructure” to support the G20 Infrastructure Working Group under the Indonesian G20 Presidency. The report will examine the sub-national (regional) gaps in access to infrastructure within countries, focusing on access to digital, health and education. The report builds on 2021 report on “Bridging digital divides in G20 countries”</p>			

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	<p><b>Newly proposed:</b> Investing in Infrastructure for Better Futures, Taskforce IITF</p> <p>Demand driven operational taskforce where member countries and their partners can regularly meet and share challenges, solutions and identify partnerships to support the planning, implementation and management of infrastructure projects linked to the economic recovery plan on a real time basis. 3 times a year.</p>			<p><b><u>Development Centre</u></b></p> <p>Asako Yuhara, Policy Analyst, Infrastructure for Development  <a href="mailto:Asako.yuhara@oecd.org">Asako.yuhara@oecd.org</a></p>
24) Education	<p><b>Newly proposed:</b> The OECD has developed a proposal titled “From Inputs to Outcomes: Strengthening education governance and national statistical systems to level up learning outcomes across ASEAN” that identifies three activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Activity 1:</b> A regional review of learning outcomes. A report that would be developed in partnership with UNICEF, reviewing learning outcome data from the most recent rounds of PISA and the SEA-PLM.</li> <li>• <b>Activity 2:</b> A series of regional peer-learning workshops. That would build capacity around the production and use of education data in ASEAN.</li> <li>• <b>Activity 3:</b> A regional data reporting exercise. That would culminate in a new iteration of the ASEAN State of Education report, which was last published in 2013. The report would be linked to targets outlined through the ASEAN Work Plan on</li> </ul>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p>Education and skills</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p> <p>Broad Strategy 2: Strengthening Human Security</p>	<p><b><u>Directorate for Education and Skills</u></b></p> <p>Manuela Fitzpatrick, Policy Analyst, Policy Advice and Implementation Division  <a href="mailto:Manuela.fitzpatrick@oecd.org">Manuela.fitzpatrick@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>Education 2025, as well as the ACRF and its implementation plan.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> Activities have not been implemented. Discussions are still on-going; ASEAN counterparts are looking for funding and are in conversations with the European Union. Given potential financial constraints in terms of total funding amount and timeline for disbursement, it is likely that the scope of the activities will need to be narrower in scope.</p>			
25) Skills development	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD Skills Strategy for Southeast Asia provides an overview of the skills challenges and opportunities in the region, assesses the performance of skills policies across ASEAN countries and in comparison with benchmarking OECD countries, identifies policy priorities, and makes policy recommendations. The 11th Meeting of the Education and Skills RPN (24 November 2021), convening around 80 senior participants from region and beyond, generated important analytical and best practice input for the ongoing OECD Skills Strategy for Southeast Asia.</p> <p>Concurrently with or upon completion of the regional work, the OECD Centre for Skills offers to work with individual Southeast Asian countries to design tailored skills strategy country projects, focusing on priority skills topics identified jointly by the OECD and an inter-ministerial national project team. These individual country projects would provide and in-depth assessment of the</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p>Education and Skills</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p> <p>Broad Strategy 2: Strengthening Human Security</p>	<p><b>Centre for Skills</b> Andrew Bell, Head of OECD Skills Strategies, <a href="mailto:Andrew.Bell@oecd.org">Andrew.Bell@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Samuel Kim, Analyst, National Skills Strategy Division <a href="mailto:Samuel.KIM@oecd.org">Samuel.KIM@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b>Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities</b> Kristine Langenbucher, Head, Local Employment and Skills Unit <a href="mailto:Kristine.langenbucher@oecd.org">Kristine.langenbucher@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>countries' skills challenges and opportunities and propose concrete and tailored policy advice in the priority areas identified in collaboration with the country.</p> <p>Education and Skills regional policy network aims to foster knowledge exchange in support of national growth and regional integration by encouraging a whole-of-government approach to the design and implementation of skills policies. Since the network was established in 2008, annual meetings have been set up to provide a platform for exchange between senior leaders from Southeast Asian countries, OECD countries and international organisations on how to adapt education, skills and employment policies to a rapidly changing environment. The 11th Meeting of the Education and Skills RPN (24 November 2021) convening around 80 senior participants from region and beyond generated important analytical and best practice input for the ongoing OECD Skills Strategy for Southeast Asia.</p> <p>Annual (in person or virtual) Education and Skills RPN meetings convening senior leaders from Southeast Asian countries, OECD countries and international organisations to exchange on how to adapt education, skills and employment policies. Possible future themes include building up ICT capacity and capabilities, developing community-based TVET systems, facilitating the green transition through responsive adult education and TVET systems. The next network meeting is scheduled to take place in the third or fourth quarter of 2022.</p>			

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<b>26) Employment and Labour Mobility</b>	The activities related to employment and labour mobility policy will be added in due course.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	
<b>27) Environment</b>	<p><b><u>Ongoing: The Clean Energy Finance and Investment Mobilisation (CEFIM) programme</u></b></p> <p>The CEFIM programme aims to strengthen enabling conditions to attract finance and investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency in <a href="#">Indonesia</a>, <a href="#">Philippines</a>, <a href="#">Thailand</a> and <a href="#">Viet Nam</a>. Activities are designed to support finance and investment in clean energy according to the specific needs of each partner country. This includes the CEFIM Clean Energy Finance and Investment Review and Roadmap, various implementation support activities, investor dialogues and best practice sharing.</p> <p>The CEFIM programme is ongoing in all countries. In 2021, CEFIM delivered the Clean Energy Finance and Investment (CEFI) Review in Viet Nam and Indonesia, providing holistic analysis and recommendations that draw on international best practice. The Philippines and Thailand programme both started in 2021 with planning underway for a CEFI Roadmap in each country, bringing together stakeholders to determine an action plan that identifies and addresses bottlenecks constraining finance and investment. Starting in 2022, CEFIM will also</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Sustainable infrastructure RPN;  Green recovery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future	<p><b><u>Environment Directorate</u></b></p> <p>Cecilia Tam, Principal Policy Analyst,  <a href="mailto:Cecilia.TAM@oecd.org">Cecilia.TAM@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>collaborate with the public and private sectors of Indonesia and Thailand in developing financing solutions to accelerate the decarbonisation of the hard to abate industry sector.</p> <p><b>Ongoing: Project on marine plastic pollution / sustainable ocean economy</b></p> <p>The OECD project on sustainable ocean economy in SEA will entail deepening the OECD's policy guidance, with a COVID-19 lens, in the key inter-linked areas of marine plastic pollution, sustainable ocean finance and policy coherence. These policy areas have been identified as top priorities for SEA countries at the 2<sup>nd</sup> OECD Regional Policy Dialogue on Marine Plastic Pollution in December 2020. Establishing coherent national waste management systems promoting circular economy and the implementation of 3Rs principle are necessary in SEA countries in order to address the marine plastic pollution challenges. Further work is needed in SEA in co-operation with ASEAN to identify innovative financing solutions and to develop guidance on setting up a coherent whole of government approach for any national action on plastics.</p> <p>As part of the OECD work on Marine Plastic Pollution in SEA the Country Notes on 10 ASEAN member states are finalised and published in January 2022 on the OECD <a href="#">Sustainable Ocean Policy Platform</a> under the heading "Marine plastic waste".</p>			<p>Eija Kiiskinen, Senior Global Relations Advisor to the Director,  <a href="mailto:Eija.KIISKINEN@oecd.org">Eija.KIISKINEN@oecd.org</a></p>

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<b>28) Environment Across Sectors</b>	The activities related to environment across sectors will be added in due course.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	
<b>29) Disaster Financing and Disaster Management</b>	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD is developing a project on Leveraging digitalisation for risk prevention and mitigation in the insurance sector that will examine how insurance regulators can create an enabling environment for the use of technology in support of risk reduction actions by insurance policyholders. The project will focus on selected lines of insurance business, including property insurance and disaster risks. It will include case studies involving 3-5 Asian countries. A number of ASEAN countries (Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam) have been invited to participate in the project.</p> <p><b>Newly proposed:</b> “Capacity building for strengthening governance of multi-hazard disaster risk reduction in the ASEAN region” aims to support a multi-risk and transboundary digital mapping of future disaster risks in the region, including from natural hazards, pandemic and emerging risks to critical infrastructure. This will involve organising and running capacity-building workshops on how to integrate business continuity planning for critical infrastructure into disaster risk management strategies, as well as consideration of the needs of vulnerable</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Sustainable infrastructure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future  5f.) Managing disaster risks and strengthening disaster management	<p><b><u>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</u></b></p> <p>Leigh Wolfrom, Policy Analyst, Consumer Finance, Insurance and Pensions Division <a href="mailto:Leigh.Wolfrom@oecd.org">Leigh.Wolfrom@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Public Governance Directorate</u></b></p> <p>Jack Radisch, Senior Project Manager, Risk Governance Unit <a href="mailto:jack.radisch@oecd.org">jack.radisch@oecd.org</a></p>



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	<p>groups into risk assessment, early warning, and disaster preparedness planning and prevention policies according to the AADMER Work Programme 2021-2025.</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> Development Centre is currently conducting ongoing study on disaster risk financing and management by identifying various financing sources for countries in the region to cope with the consequences of natural hazards. ASEAN countries are particularly prone to natural disasters. Broadening financial options, including the implementation of catastrophe bonds could therefore considerably improve governments' disaster risk management. The study includes several case studies and policy suggestions. The forthcoming publication will be released in first half of 2022.</p>			<p><b>Development Centre</b></p> <p>Kensuke Tanaka, Head, Asia Unit  <a href="mailto:kensuke.tanaka@oecd.org">kensuke.tanaka@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Prasiwi Ibrahim, Deputy Head, Asia Unit  <a href="mailto:prasiwi.ibrahim@oecd.org">prasiwi.ibrahim@oecd.org</a></p>
30) Public Health	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD contributes to monitoring <b>progress on public health in ASEAN countries</b> through the production of comparable indicators and policy advice. Indonesia is included in all glossy publications on public health. As part of the work with the OECD-Korea Policy Centre, all ASEAN countries are also systematically covered in the report Health at a Glance Asia Pacific (released every second year, next edition in late 2022). The report covers a wide number of determinants of health including overweight and obesity, water and sanitation, alcohol and others. In addition, some additional ASEAN members will be included in publications on AMR (end of 2022) and on cancer (2024).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<p><b>Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs</b></p> <p>Francesca Colombo, Head of Health Division  <a href="mailto:Francesca.Colombo@oecd.org">Francesca.Colombo@oecd.org</a></p>

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31) Green Growth	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The Development Centre started a study on ‘green jobs in Southeast Asia’ (“Towards a greener and more inclusive society in Southeast Asia: tapping into the potential of creating green jobs in the food system”). This topic links to above 14) Sustainable Agriculture.</p> <p>The study will estimate the share jobs that are highly dependent on ecosystems (including ‘green jobs’) and related services in Southeast Asian economies and look at the profiles of those working in these sectors. The study will then hone in on the food system and look at the distributive impact in terms of jobs from transitioning towards a greener food production model. It will look at policy measures that could mitigate some of the adverse effects of this green transition on vulnerable groups. The overall aim is to provide policy orientation to make the transition as smooth as possible and ensure a sustainable, inclusive and fair reallocation of jobs.</p> <p>The Development Centre’s business platform Emerging Markets Network (EMnet) focuses on the private sector’s role in the green transition through its Working Group on Green Economy in Emerging Markets, co-chaired by Eni, Enel and Iberdrola.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Green Recovery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<p><b><u>Development Centre</u></b></p> <p>Ji-Yeun Rim, Co-ordinator, Social Cohesion Unit <a href="mailto:Ji-Yeun.Rim@oecd.org">Ji-Yeun.Rim@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Melanie Vilarasau Slade, Co-ordinator, Emerging Markets Network, <a href="mailto:Melanie.VilarasauSlade@oecd.org">Melanie.VilarasauSlade@oecd.org</a></p>
32) Gender	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The Development Centre aims to help policy makers in SEA countries identify discriminatory laws and norms that hamper inclusive growth and social transformation. Building on the methodological framework of the OECD Development Centre’s Social Institutions and Gender Index (SIGI), the</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<p><b><u>Development Centre</u></b></p> <p>Hyeshin Park, Gender Programme Co-ordinator <a href="mailto:Hyeshin.park@oecd.org">Hyeshin.park@oecd.org</a></p>

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	Development Centre will produce a new edition of the SIGI SEA Regional Report containing comprehensive and in-depth analysis covering the SEA countries with region-specific policy recommendations. The SIGI's four dimensions assess gender equality in the law and in practice in the following areas: the family, physical autonomy (including violence against women), access to land, financial and productive resources, and civil liberties. The life course approach aims to capture how discrimination against women and girls adversely affects their development pathways and ability to benefit from empowerment opportunities.	Gender		
33) Good governance	<b>Newly proposed:</b> "Government at a Glance South East Asia (2 <sup>nd</sup> edition)" aims to survey and benchmark regional governments on budgetary management, infrastructure governance, digital government and service delivery. This will provide an evidence base for designing key reforms for supporting COVID recovery and the response to the climate crisis. Completion is dependent on sourcing further funding.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)  Sustainable infrastructure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Key priority 4c) promoting e-government and e-services  5c) building green infrastructure	<b>Public Governance Directorate</b>  Conor Das-Doyle, Policy Analyst, Governance Indicators and Performance Division  <a href="mailto:Conor.das-doyle@oecd.org">Conor.das-doyle@oecd.org</a>

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	<p><b><u>Newly proposed:</u> “Preparing for the government of the future: Strengthening government agility and transformation capacity for a citizen-centred public sector in Thailand”</b> foreseen under the framework of the 2<sup>nd</sup> OECD Thailand Country Programme. The objective of the project is to strengthen the capacity of the Office of the Public Sector Development Commission and related agencies in leading and guiding the public sector transformation efforts in Thailand towards a lean, agile and responsive public sector.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p>good regulatory practice, innovation</p>	<p>and addressing basic infrastructure gaps</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p> <p>Broad Strategy 5: Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future</p>	<p>Sara Fyson, Senior Project Manager, Governance Reviews and Partnerships Division <a href="mailto:Sara.fyson@oecd.org">Sara.fyson@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Jeroen Michels, Policy Analyst, Governance Reviews and Partnerships Division <a href="mailto:Jeroen.michels@oecd.org">Jeroen.michels@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p><b>Newly proposed:</b> “Promoting transparency and stakeholders’ participation for sound public governance in Southeast Asia” aims to report on transparency and stakeholder participation practices in the region, with aim to include SEA countries in the OECD’s wider work on open government indicators to allow them to assess, compare, and benchmark their policies against OECD standards. This will include the OECD Open Government Dashboard, the OECD Openness Index, and potential long term results indicators that measures the impact of transparency, integrity, stakeholder participation, and accountability on sound public governance and on the relationship between governments and citizens</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD Working Group on Bribery is actively reaching out to countries in the region, as well as potential donors, via ASEAN, APEC and other fora to promote business integrity as part of its Global Relations Strategy. This includes ongoing engagement with public officials charged with implementing anti-corruption laws and regulations, as well as business and civil society.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)  Broad Strategy 4: Accelerating Inclusive Digital Transformation	<p>Alessandro Bellantoni, Head of Open Government and Civic Space Unit  <a href="mailto:Alessandro.bellantoni@oecd.org">Alessandro.bellantoni@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Emma Cantera, Policy Analyst, Open Government and Civic Space Unit  <a href="mailto:Emma.cantera@oecd.org">Emma.cantera@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</b>            Paul Whittaker, Analyst, Anti-Corruption Division  <a href="mailto:Paul.Whittaker@oecd.org">Paul.Whittaker@oecd.org</a></p>
<p><b>34)Strengthening Social Protection</b></p>	<p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD holds an annual Insurance and Retirement Savings Roundtable that has gained increasing recognition from insurance and private pension regulators and the private sector within the region. The Roundtable is supported by the Government of Japan. It provides a platform for initial</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)	<p><b>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</b></p> <p>Timothy Bishop, Co-ordinator, Consumer Finance, Insurance and Pensions Division</p>

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	<p>discussions on key policy issues that could lead to more in-depth assessments of specific country practices and potential policy recommendations through longer-term engagement (e.g. reinsurance oversight, contribution of digitalisation to risk management, developping and strengthening of funded retirement arrangements). The 2022 Roundtable will be co-sponsored by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) and the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADB). </p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> The OECD contributes to monitoring progress on strengthening social protection in ASEAN countries through the production of comparable indicators and policy advice. As part of the work with the OECD-Korea Policy Centre, all ASEAN countries are also systematically covered in the report Society at a Glance Asia Pacific (released every second year, next edition later in 2022).The report provides an overview of social indicators, providing evidence on social well-being and its trends in the region, and notably on social protection</p> <p><b>Ongoing:</b> Support with the organisation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Inclusive Business Summit. The OECD have been collaborating with the ASEAN Secretariat as well as with UN ESCAP and iBAN with the implementation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ASEAN Inclusive Business Summit (on 6 September 2020) and <a href="#">4<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Inclusive Summit</a> (on 22 September 2021). Inputs included identification of speakers, moderation and support with the development of outcome report. This is a continuous activity with expected</p>		Broad Strategy 2: Strengthening Human Security	<p><a href="mailto:Timothy.Bishop@oecd.org">Timothy.Bishop@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Leigh Wolfrom, Policy Analyst, Consumer Finance, Insurance and Pensions Division <a href="mailto:Leigh.Wolfrom@oecd.org">Leigh.Wolfrom@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Pablo Antolin, Co-ordinator, Working Party on Private Pensions <a href="mailto:Pablo.Antolin@oecd.org">Pablo.Antolin@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs</u></b></p> <p>Monika Queisser, Head, Social Policy Division <a href="mailto:Monika.queisser@oecd.org">Monika.queisser@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities</u></b></p> <p>Antonella Noya, Head, Social Economy and Innovation Unit <a href="mailto:antonella.noya@oecd.org">antonella.noya@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Max Bulakovskiy, Policy Analyst, Social Economy and Innovation Unit</p>

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	<p>continuation in 2022 with the 5<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Inclusive Business Summit.</p> <p>This activity was followed-up by activities organised by the OECD in partnership with the ASEAN Secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Webinar on 14 October 2021: <a href="#">Social Entrepreneurship as a Path to Resilient Post-COVID-19 Recovery</a>. During the event the OECD the OECD team presented <a href="#">the Better Entrepreneurship Policy Tool</a>. A Media Statement was co-developed with ASEAN following this event.</li> <li>• Contribution to the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the ASEAN Network of Experts on Inclusive Entrepreneurship for ASEAN (NIEA) on 30 November 2021.</li> </ul> <p>Contribution to the regional webinar on the Guidelines for the Promotion of Inclusive Business in ASEAN on 15 November 2021.</p>			<a href="mailto:max.bulakovskiy@oecd.org">max.bulakovskiy@oecd.org</a>
<p><b>35) Other areas of cooperation, as mutually agreed</b></p> <p><i>* New areas of cooperation may be added in the future as the need arises</i></p>	<p><b><u>ASEC: New Proposed Areas of Cooperation:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Identified areas of joint cooperation with the ASEAN Health Sector</u></b> has not yet been done by OECD counterparts. In reference to the 15th ASEAN Health Ministers Meeting (AHMM) &amp; Related Meeting, 11-15 May</li> </ul>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the ACRF Strategies)</p>	<p><b><u>Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs</u></b>  Francesco Colombo, Heath Division  <a href="mailto:Francesca.COLOMBO@oecd.org">Francesca.COLOMBO@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>2022 in Bali, Indonesia, relevant outcome documents will be shared to OECD for their reference in determining possible areas of cooperation. Initial cooperation can engage OECD counterparts as resource persons / expert speakers in health-related webinars/fora or technical exchanges hosted by the relevant ASEAN Health Cluster.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="472 655 1151 1023">• <b><u>Ongoing: OECD-ASEAN Cooperation in Fisheries and Agriculture.</u></b> OECD was invited to present at the 30<sup>th</sup> ASWGF Meeting held from 22-23 June 2022. Proposal of OECD to organise an ASEAN-OECD Workshop on Food Security to be held virtually 8 December 2022 with a thematic session on fisheries focusing on fisheries subsidies and sustainable fisheries management. The 30<sup>th</sup> ASWGF Meeting held from 22-23 June 2022 requested OECD to share the concept note of the workshop with the AMS through the ASEAN Secretariat for input and consideration.</li> <li data-bbox="472 1134 1151 1262">• <b><u>Creative Economy.</u></b> To consider joint activities including policy dialogues and research on the promotion and development of the creative economy. ASEAN is taking nascent steps to promote and develop the creative</li> </ul>	<p>indicate the workstream)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream) trade, competition</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please</p>		<p>Nick Tomlinson, Health Division <a href="mailto:Nick.TOMLINSON@oecd.org">Nick.TOMLINSON@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Trade and Agriculture Directorate, Fisheries</u></b> Claire Delpuch, Head of Unit, Fisheries &amp; Aquaculture <a href="mailto:Claire.DELPEUCH@oecd.org">Claire.DELPEUCH@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Trade and Agriculture Directorate, Agro-food Trade and Markets</u></b> Annelies Deuss, Senior Agricultural Policy Analyst <a href="mailto:Annelies.DEUSS@oecd.org">Annelies.DEUSS@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities</u></b> Karen Maguire, Local Employment, Skills and Social Innovation Division</p>



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	<p>economy. ASEAN has recently put in place a working and overarching definition of ASEAN Creative Economy (ACE), and it is continuing to develop policies and programmes to promote ACE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="472 555 1151 1023"> <p><b><u>Information Accessibility and Mitigation of Fake News.</u></b> The challenges of fake news are concerning, and we could benefit from policy dialogues and exchanges of best practices with OECD in minimising the harmful effects of fake news, including upstream activities related to media literacy and strategic communications, as well as advocacy on cyber-wellness. As fighting fake news remains a key plank of Senior Officials' Meeting Responsible for Information and Media (SOMRI's) efforts, SOMRI has recently established the ASEAN Task Force on Fake News. This followed various regional policy pronouncements and programmes including the AMRI Framework and Joint Declaration on Minimising the Harmful Effects of Fake News, and the Core Values on Digital Literacy for ASEAN.</p> </li> <li data-bbox="472 1129 1151 1264"> <p><b><u>Managing Fragility, Fostering Greater Understanding and Tolerance.</u></b> Noting the OECD Fragility Framework and the States of Fragility reports by OECD, we could benefit from OECD's expertise in this area as ASEAN seeks to</p> </li> </ul>	<p>indicate the workstream) SMEs</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please</p>	<p>Broad Strategy 3: Maximising the Potential of Intra-ASEAN Market and Broader Economic Integration</p> <p>Broad Strategy 2: Strengthening Human Security</p>	<p><a href="mailto:Karen.MAGUIRE@oecd.org">Karen.MAGUIRE@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Public Governance</u></b> Craig Matasick, Open Government and Civic Space Unit <a href="mailto:Craig.MATASICK@oecd.org">Craig.MATASICK@oecd.org</a></p> <p>Carlotta Alfonsi, Open Government and Civic Space Unit <a href="mailto:Carlotta.ALFONSI@oecd.org">Carlotta.ALFONSI@oecd.org</a></p> <p><b><u>Development Co-Operation Directorate</u></b> Cyprien Fabre, Global Partnerships and Policies Division <a href="mailto:Cyprien.FABRE@oecd.org">Cyprien.FABRE@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>develop a Strategy Playbook to foster greater understanding, tolerance and a sense of regional belonging.</p> <p>Following ASEAN Leaders' adoption of the ASEAN Strategic Policy Framework on Promoting an Adaptive Community of Greater Understanding, Tolerance and a Sense of Regional Belonging among the Peoples of ASEAN (see <a href="https://asean.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/9.-Strategic-Policy-Framework-on-Promoting-an-Adaptive-ASEAN-Community.pdf">https://asean.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/9.-Strategic-Policy-Framework-on-Promoting-an-Adaptive-ASEAN-Community.pdf</a>) at the 38<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Summit in 2021, ASEAN is working toward the development of a Strategy Playbook to identify and outline strategies in the use of a nexus approach through the lenses of peacebuilding, creative peacebuilding and other methodologies to foster efforts in promoting social cohesion, peace and tolerance, and deepening regional solidarity.</p> <p>We recognise that under a traditional sectoral and silo approach, the attempt to address developmental issue independently is likely not only inadequate, but it may also compromise the sustainability of such efforts as it may fail to reconcile competing sectoral interests. Against this backdrop, the nexus approach herein refers to the analysis of interlinkages, correlations, synergies and trade-offs between sectors. Through the nexus approach, we seek to move away from traditional sectoral thinking toward building a more holistic understanding of the underlying causes of</p>	<p>indicate the workstream)</p>		

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	<p>developmental challenges that could be systemic and structural in nature, and in doing so enable ASEAN to better address them in a more upstream and systematic manner by ensuring sustainability in the mobilisation of limiting resources and reconciliation of conflicting sectoral interests so as to optimise synergies and efficacy.</p> <p>There are clear areas of convergence between the ASEAN Strategic Policy Framework and the OECD's work on multi-dimensional fragility. Moreover, building a more holistic understanding of the underlying causes of developmental challenges is in line with the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC)'s Recommendation on the humanitarian, development, and peace nexus. The OECD would be able to provide support to ASEAN in terms of reviewing documents and conducting review sessions on the ASEAN Strategy Playbook on Managing Fragility and Fostering Greater Understanding and Tolerance, once a substantive draft has been developed by ASEAN.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ongoing: Impact Investing and Sustainable Investing in ASEAN.</b> In collaboration with the ASEAN Secretariat, the OECD is currently supporting ASEAN Member States implementing the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework, particularly its sustainable investment</li> </ul>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, please indicate the workstream)		<p><b><u>Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs</u></b>  Alexandre De Crombrugghe, Policy Framework for Investment/Investment Policy Reviews  <a href="mailto:Alexandre.DECROMBRUGGHE@oecd.org">Alexandre.DECROMBRUGGHE@oecd.org</a></p>

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	<p>component, including through the preparation of an 'Analytical Report on Sustainable Investment in ASEAN'.</p> <p>The report will provide a comparative outlook of sustainable and responsible investment practices in ASEAN as well as recommendations on reforms and strategies to attract sustainable FDI, promote green investment policies, maximise the sustainable outcome of FDI and promote responsible business conduct in support of sustainable development. These recommendations could contribute to the development of tailored 'ASEAN sustainable investment guidelines', which ASEAN Member States are currently considering.</p>	Investment policy and promotion		

\* **SEARP** consists of 13 work streams including tax, investment policies, good regulatory practice, education and skills, SMEs, sustainable infrastructure, trade, innovation, gender, competition, tourism, green recovery and the Economic Outlook for Southeast Asia, .

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