



**Concept Note for
Regional Policy Forum on**

**Agricultural Transformation and Market Integration in the ASEAN Region:
Responding to Food Security and Inclusiveness Concerns**

Phnom Penh, Cambodia
13-14 December 2018

Day 1: 13 December 2018

Inaugural Session

Chief Guest: Dr. Sar Chetra, *Deputy Secretary General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries of Cambodia*

- Mr. Kaushik Barua
Country Programme Manager of Cambodia, International Fund for Agricultural Development
- Dr. Pedcris M. Orencio
Program Head for Research and Development, Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture
- Dr. P K Joshi
Director-South Asia, International Food Policy Research Institute

Lead papers: *Setting the Context: Agricultural Transformation and Market Integration: Global, Regional, and National Perspectives*

- Mr. Manmeet Ajmani
Research Analyst, International Food Policy Research Institute
- Dr. Paul S Teng (Regional Perspective)
Managing Director & Dean, National Institute of Education International, and adjunct Senior Fellow (Food Security), Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technologies University and SEARCA Senior Fellow
- Dr. Ganesh Thapa (National Perspective)
*Former Lead Regional Economist, IFAD
Visiting Fellow, International Center for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)*

Technical Session I: Agricultural Transformation in Southeast Asia

Session Chair: Dr. Paul S. Teng,
Managing Director & Dean, National Institute of Education International, and adjunct Senior Fellow (Food Security), Centre for Non-Traditional Security Studies, S. Rajaratnam School

of International Studies (RSiS), Nanyang Technologies University and SEARCA Senior Fellow

- Dr. Hiroyuki Takeshima
Senior Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute
- Dr. Pratap S BIRTHAL
ICAR-National Professor, National Institute of Agricultural Economics and Policy Research
- Dr. Thanda Kyi
Director, Department of Planning, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation, Republic of the Union of Myanmar
- Dr. Seema Bathla
Professor of Economics at CSRD, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), India

Technical Session II: Case Studies on Value Chains

Session Chair: Prof. Jimmy Williams, *Project Coordinator Unit (PCU Coordinator) ATMI-ASEAN Project, SEARCA*

- Dr. Tran Cong Thang
Vice Director General, Institute of Policy and Strategy for Agriculture and Rural Development (IPSARD), Vietnam
- Mr. Cheatho Prak
Deputy Director, General Directorate of Agriculture (GDA), Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF), Cambodia
- Ms. Nang Seng Pin
Centre for Economic and Social Development (CESD), Republic of the Union of Myanmar
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Silinthone Sacklokhom
Director, SEAMEO Regional Centre for Community Education Development, Ministry of Education and Sports, Lao PDR
- Mr. Cenon D. Elca
Assistant Professor, College of Economics and Management, University of the Philippines Los Baños, Philippines

Technical Session III: Value Chain Development

Session Chair: Mr. Luc Groot, *Business Advisor, Agritererra*

- Dr. Avinash Kishore
Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute
- Mr. Grahame Dixie
Executive Director, Grow Asia
- Mrs. Laura Cizmo
Deputy Director, Food Security and Environment Office, USAID Cambodia

Day 2: 14 December 2018

Technical Session IV: Market Integration: ASEAN and Beyond

Session Chair: Dr. Bessie Burgos, *Technical Advisor for Research and Development, SEARCA*

- Dr. Sar Chetra, *Deputy Secretary General, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries of Cambodia*
- Dr. Nerlita M. Manalili
Managing Director, Nexus Agribusiness Solutions
- Mr. Manmeet Ajmani
Research Analyst, International Food Policy Research Institute

Panel Discussion 1: Role of Farmers' Organizations and Private Sector

Moderator: Dr. Avinash Kishore, *Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute*

- Dr. Tan Siang Hee
Executive Director, Crop Life Asia
- Mrs. Yacinta Esti W
ASEAN Farmer Organization Support Program (AFOSP), The ASEAN Foundation
- Mr. Luc Groot,
Business Advisor, Agriterra

Panel Discussion 2: Synergizing the ASEAN Bodies with Agriculture Transformation and Market Integration in ASEAN region

Moderator: Ms. Aniq Fadhillah, *Policy Facilitator, Institute Food Policy Research Institute*

- Dr. Khin Zar Kyaw,
Program Officer, Agriculture Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation of Myanmar, Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Chairman of ASEAN Sectoral Working Group on Crops (ASWGC)
- Dr. Suon Sothoeun,
Deputy Director General, General Directorate of Animal Health and Production, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Cambodia,
Chairman of ASEAN Sectoral Working Group on Livestock (ASWGL)
- Mr. Aung Thura,
Deputy Director General, Cooperative Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation of Myanmar, Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Chairman of ASEAN Sectoral Working Group on Agriculture Cooperatives (ASWGAC)

Concluding Session: The Way Forward

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