Introduction of AEC: The Machine Translation Project in AEC

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About ASEAN



Vision: "One Vision, One Identity, One Community"

Years of joining ASEAN:
In 1967 for 5 founding Member States
& 5 joining Member States



918 days to the "AEC 2015"

ASEAN Community in Figures

source: www.asean.org

Country	Total land area (Sq.km.) (2013)	Total Population (million) (2013)	GDP at current prices (USD million) (2011)	GDP per capita (USD) (2011)
Brunei Darussalam	5,765	0.408	16,360	38,703
Cambodia	181,035	14.9	12,766	879
Indonesia	1,860,360	248.6	846,821	3,563
Lao PDR	236,800	6.5	8,163	1,279
Malaysia	330,252	29.1	287,923	9,941
Myanmar	676,577	54.5	52,841	875
Philippines	300,000	103.7	224,337	2,341
Singapore	714	5.3	259,858	50,130
Thailand	513,120	67	345,811	5,116
Vietnam	331,051	91.5	123,267	1,403
Total	4,435,674	621.508		

3 Pillars of the ASEAN Community

ASEAN community

ASEAN
PoliticalSecurity
Community
(APSC)

APSC Blueprint

ASEAN
Economic
Community
(AEC)
(determined to start at the end of 2015)

AEC Blueprint

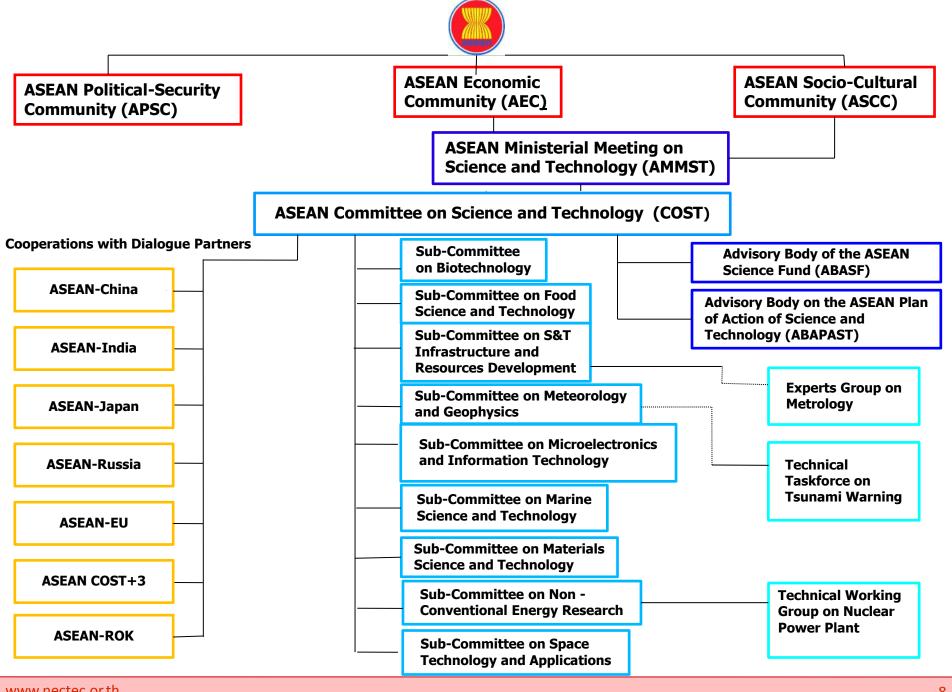
ASEAN
Socio-Cultural
Community
(ASCC)

ASCC Blueprint

Community Outreach

Benefits of ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)

- Enhancing the negotiation power of ASEAN in the global arena
- Attracting foreign direct investment from other regions to ASEAN
- Increasing tourism opportunity of AMS



Related ASEAN Plans and Flagships

AEC Blueprint (2007-2015)

ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)

4 Key Characteristics

Single Market and Production Base

Core elements

- Free flow of goods
- Free flow of services
- Free flow of investment
- Free flow of capital
- Free flow of skill labor

Key elements

- Priority Integration Sectors
- -Food, Agriculture and Forestry

High Competitive Economic Region

- Competition Policy
- Consumer Protection
- Intellectual Property Right
- Infrastructure development
- Taxation
- E-commerce

Equitable Economic Development

- SME Development
- Initiative for ASEAN Integration

Fully Integrated into Global Economy

- Coherent Approach towards External Economic Relations
- Enhanced Participation in Global Supply Networks

The ASEAN Plan of Action on S&T (APAST) (2007-2015)

Guiding document in pursuing regional co-operations in S&T

6 Strategic Trusts:	9 Areas covered under regional S&T cooperation
 Intensify R&D collaboration and technology commercialization Develop S&T human resources Network S&T Center of excellent and programmes Promote S&T awareness and utilisation Strengthen S&T infrastructure and support systems Forge closer cooperation with dialogue partners. 	 Biotechnology Food Science and Technology S&T Infrastructure and Resources Development Meteorology and Geophysics Microelectronics and Information Technology Marine Science and Technology Materials Science and Technology Non-Conventional Energy Research Space Technology

ASEAN COST 6 Flagship Programmes

Flagship Programme	Leader
1. Early Warning System for Disaster Risk Reduction	Indonesia
2. Biofuels	Malaysia
3. Applications and Development of Open Source System	Indonesia
4. Functional Foods	Thailand
5. Climate Change	Philippines
6. Health	Singapore

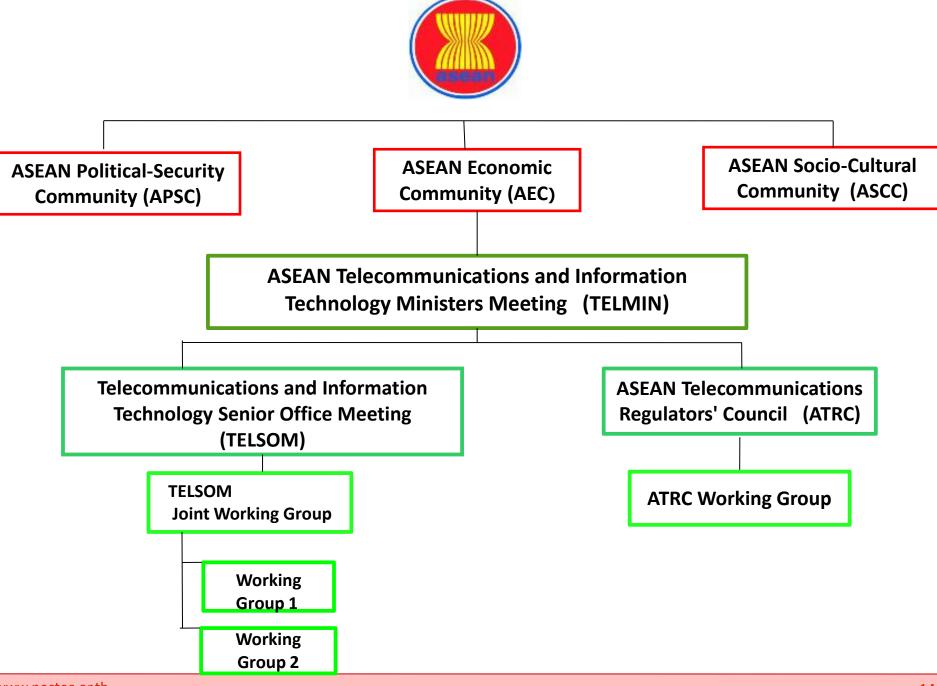


Krabi Initiative 2010:

Science Technology and Innovation (STI) for a Competitive, Sustainable and Inclusive ASEAN

Endorsed by ASEAN S&T Ministers at the 6th IAMMST as a policy framework for STI cooperation in ASEAN

ASEAN 2015 - Vision of ASEAN Leaders Rationale Roles of STI – A Balance between Competitiveness and Human Development (People-oriented STI) Reinventing ASEAN Scientific Community for a Meaningful Delivery of STI Agenda in ASEAN ASEAN Innovation for Food Security Digital Economy, New Media Green & Social Network Global Market Technology Thematic Tracks Biodiversity for Water Science and Energy Health & Wealth Innovation for Life Management Security Youth-focused STI for Green **Public-Private** Bottom-of-the -STI Paradigm Shift Pyramid (BOP) Innovation Society Partnership Enculturation Platform Focus Organisational restructure for a meaningful delivery of STI agenda in ASEAN Develop mechanisms to pursue partnerships and cooperation with other stakeholders in STI Courses of Action Enhance ASEAN Plan of Action on S&T for 2012-2015 and leverage the recommendations of the Krabi Retreat for development of future APAST beyond 2015 Implement monitoring and evaluation mechanism for the implementation of STI thematic tracks



ASEAN ICT Master Plan 2015

Vision

Towards an Empowering and Transformational ICT: Creating an Inclusive, Vibrant and Integrated ASEAN

Pillars

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1- Economic Transformation

> To promote trade, investment and entrepreneurship in the ICT sector,

and to build an ICT engine for sectorial transformation People Empowerment & Engagement

To enhance quality of life through affordable and equitable ICT Innovation-

To nurture a creative, innovative, and green ICT sector

Necessary Foundations

Infrastructure Development

To provide the next generation infrastructure backbone, and enabling policies and legislation

5 Human Capital Development

To develop a skillful ICT workforce and knowledgeable community

Bridging the Digital Divide

To elevate countries and people through ICT capabilities

Key Outcomes

- ICT as an engine of growth for ASEAN countries
- Recognition for ASEAN as the ICT centre of APAC
- Enhanced quality of life for people of ASEAN
- Tighter integration of ASEAN

Major weaknesses of AMS towards the AEC

Human Resource:

- Lack of understanding and awareness about the AEC and its importance
- Lack of flexibility and adaptability to changes
- Inadequate understanding of cultures and histories of other AMS
- Lack of English communication skills in some AMS

The Network-based ASEAN Languages Translation Public Service Project (2012-2015)

Main objectives:

- to develop a network-based ASEAN languages machine translation for public use particularly in the tourism domain
- to share the language translation knowledge and resource among AMS

The Network-based ASEAN Languages Translation Public Service Project (continue)

- a matching fund project proposed by the National Electronics and Computer Technology Center (NECTEC) of Thailand
- endorsed by ASEAN COST Meeting in May 2011
- Budget support for the 3-year implementation:

ASEAN Science Fund (USD)	Thailand (USD)
51,800	34,000

The Network-based ASEAN Languages Translation Public Service Project (continue)

Members of the project

Country	Organisation
Brunei Darussalam	Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD)
Cambodia	National Information Communications Technology Development Authority (NiDA)
Indonesia	Agency for the Assessment and Application of Technology (BPPT)
Lao PDR	Computer Technology and Electronic Institute
Malaysia	Linton University College
Myanmar	University of Computer Studies, Yangon
Philippines	De La Salle University (DLSU)
Singapore	Institute for Infocomm Research (I2R)
Thailand	National Electronics and Computer Technology Center (NECTEC)
Vietnam	Institute of Information Technology (IOIT)

Thank you for you attention

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