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These research and policy recommendations are expected to help in the deliberation of the leaders and ministers during their meetings (e.g., ASEAN Economic Ministers Meeting) and the East Asia and ASEAN Summits. The ERIA Headquarters is based in Jakarta, Indonesia.

The objectives of ERIA are:

- To facilitate ASEAN Economic Community building
- To contribute to the narrowing of development gaps in the region
- To support ASEAN's role as driver of the deepening of economic integration in East Asia

RESEARCH

ERIA conducts research under three pillars:

- Deepening Economic Integration
- Narrowing Development Gaps
- Achieving Sustainable Development

Studies cover a wide range of areas such as trade and investment, globalisation, SME development, human resource and infrastructure development, and energy issues.

DISSEMINATION

In order to disseminate its research findings and solicit inputs from various stakeholders, ERIA organises seminars and symposia which nurture a sense of community in the region. ERIA also publishes Reports, Discussion Papers and Policy Briefs that present the key recommendations of its studies. It likewise publishes the *ERIA Frames* newsletter which presents a bi-monthly picture of ERIA activities and research.

POLICY RECOMMENDATION

Based on the mandate given by the East Asia and ASEAN Summits, ERIA provides policy recommendations to the Leaders and Ministers during their meetings to stimulate economic growth, deepen regional integration and strengthen partnership in ASEAN and East Asia.

CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM

To strengthen policy research capacities and to secure an intellectual basis for the development of CLMV countries and other developing areas in East Asia, ERIA regularly conducts capacity building seminars and workshops in partnership with regional research institutes for policymakers, administrators, researchers and business managers in the above mentioned countries. ■

