

## List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADB	Asian Development Bank
AEC	Asian Economic Community
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
B	Thai baht
BCEL	Banque pour le Commerce Exterieur Lao
BOL	Bank of the Lao PDR
CLMV	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and Viet Nam
DIR	Daiwa Institute of Research Ltd.
E&E	electrical and electronic components
EPZ	export processing zone
ESB	Eastern Seaboard Branch
ERIA	Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia
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EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FDI	foreign direct investment
FTA	free trade agreement
GDP	gross domestic product
GOL	Government of Lao PDR
GRP	gross regional product
GSM	ERIA/IDE–Geographical Simulation Model
HAI	human asset index
IEAT	Industrial Estates Authority of Thailand
IDE	Institute of Developing Economies
IE	industrial estate
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IP	industrial park
JETRO	Japan External Trade Organization
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
km	kilometre
KN	Laotian kip
LDC	least developed country
ODA	official development assistance
SEZ	Special Economic Zone
SMEs	small and medium-sized enterprises
US	United States
US\$	United States dollar
WTO	World Trade Organization