Annex F
Summit Statements in FY2022

Chairman’s statement of THE 26th MEETING OF ASEAN TOURISM MINISTERS
Yogyakarta, 4 February 2023

Enhanced Capability Building of ASEAN Tourism Professionals

12. The Meeting also noted the completion of the Comprehensive Study on the Implementation of the MRA-TP: Enhanced Mechanism for Tourism Professionals by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) in November 2022 and encouraged the ASEAN Member States to review the recommendations raised in the Study.

Enhancing Responsible, Sustainable and Inclusive Tourism Development

13. The Meeting commended the work related to the Study to Develop a Framework on Sustainable Tourism Development in ASEAN in the Post COVID-19 Era, with the support by ERIA, which was endorsed by the ASEAN Tourism Ministers and included as one of the Priority Economic Deliverables (PEDs) under the ASEAN Tourism Chairmanship in 2022. The Meeting encouraged the ASEAN National Tourism Organisations to review the framework and deliberate on the recommendations, so as to identify priorities in this Framework to guide the industry towards a more sustainable tourism pathway. The Meeting noted that this would support the implementation of the Phnom Penh Declaration on a More Sustainable, Inclusive, and Resilient ASEAN Tourism.

G20 BALI LEADERS’ DECLARATION
Bali, 15-16 November 2022

Enhanced Capability Building of ASEAN Tourism Professionals

We thank international organizations, including the UN and its Specialised Agencies, World Bank Group, IMF, OECD, Asian Development Bank, ERIA, CEPI, European Investment Bank, GGGI, ICAO, IEA, IEF, IFAD, ILO, IRENA, FAO, FSB, Gavi, Global Fund, IAEA, Islamic Development Bank, ITU, Medicine Patent Pool, Sustainable Energy for All (SEforAll), OPEC, WEF, WFP, WHO, WTO, UNCCD, UNCTAD, UNDESA, UNDP, UNECE, UNESCAP, UNESCO, UNFCCC, UN Global Pulse, UN Habitat, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNOPS, UN Women, UNWTO and the G20 Engagement Groups (W20, L20, T20, S20, Y20, SAI20, P20, C20, B20, U20) for their valuable inputs and policy recommendations.
Environment and Energy

14. We recognised deliverables under EAS energy cooperation including the resumption of energy audits for distributed energy systems, as well as the **findings and implications of the Joint Research with the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) on the “Analysis of EAS Future Mobility Fuel Scenario Considering the Sustainable Use of Biofuels and Other Alternative Vehicle Fuels”**. We noted the successful organization of the 5th EAS Clean Energy Forum with the topic “Boosting Green Recovery with High Proportion of Renewable Energy” on 25-26 November 2021 via videoconference. We noted the progress of the capacity-building activities and knowledge-sharing conferences to promote CCUS and carbon recycling, including the organisation of the 2nd Asia CCUS Network Forum in September 2022. **We noted the contributions of ERIA towards energy policy research activities in the EAS region through the implementation of the rolling 3-year Roadmap on EAS Mid-Term Energy Policy Research for 2021-2023**, including the voluntary scenario analyses on the ASEAN Carbon Neutrality Scenario conducted with the Institute of Energy Economics of Japan. We also noted the successful convening of the 5th East Asia Energy Forum (EAEF) and its Phnom Penh Reflections on ASEAN’s Challenges on Carbon-Neutrality and Energy Security, which was co-organised by ERIA and Cambodia on 12th September 2022 in a hybrid format.

Economic Cooperation and Trade

32. We commended **ERIA for its continued research and analysis on key regional economic issues that support economic integration, digital transformation, and sustainable economic development in the region, including the publication of its study on “Comprehensive Asia Development Plan 3.0 (CADP 3.0)”**. We welcomed the report of the 15th ERIA Governing Board Meeting held on 2nd June 2022, which highlighted the strategies for establishing a more integrated, innovative, inclusive and sustainable economy in ASEAN and East Asia by promoting physical and digital connectivity in the region. We encouraged ERIA to continue providing support for the Chair of the ASEAN Summits and the EAS through targeted high-quality research and actionable policy recommendations, as exemplified through ERIA’s paper on “East Asia Post Pandemic – An Integrative, Innovative, Inclusive, and Sustainable Region through Digitalisation” which was presented to EAS Economic Ministers. We welcomed the establishment of the Centre for Digital Innovation and Sustainable Economy in ERIA, which will help to strengthen and deepen its research capabilities on innovative and sustainable solutions in ASEAN and the East Asia region.
33. We stressed the importance of continuing to leverage digitalisation and incorporating sustainability in the region’s responses to achieve an inclusive and durable post-pandemic recovery. In this connection, we noted ERIA’s paper on “East Asia Post Pandemic – An Integrative, Innovative, Inclusive, and Sustainable Region through Digitalisation”, which recommends the need to realise a digitalized EAS region underpinned by four pillars: integration, innovation, inclusiveness, and sustainability to enable the region to respond quickly and effectively to future economic crises and to minimise the impact of such crises on the region. We acknowledged the importance of harnessing full potential of data and the opportunities of the digital economy, including the importance of facilitating data free flow with trust for development of the digital economy, which strengthens consumer and business trust and supporting ongoing negotiations on electronic commerce at the WTO.

CHAIRMAN’S STATEMENT OF 2nd ASEAN GLOBAL DIALOGUE: POST-COVID-19 COMPREHENSIVE RECOVERY
Phnom Penh, 13 November 2022

1. The 2nd ASEAN Global Dialogue: Post-COVID-19 Comprehensive Recovery was held in Phnom Penh, Cambodia on 13 November 2022. The Dialogue was Chaired by Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and attended by Heads of State/Government of ASEAN Member States, ASEAN Dialogue Partners, and leaders of international organizations including the World Economic Forum (WEF), International Monetary Fund (IMF), Asian Development Bank (ADB), Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) and the World Bank (WB).

CHAIRMAN’S STATEMENT OF THE 25TH ASEAN JAPAN SUMMIT
Phnom Penh, 12 November 2022

14. We commended the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) for its continued research and analysis of key regional economic issues that support economic integration. We welcomed the study by the ERIA on advancing a comprehensive ASEAN-Japan economic partnership in the light of structural reforms, emerging new issues, and the post-COVID-19 growth agenda in ASEAN and Japan. We also acknowledged the contribution of Japan to ERIA, which continued to support ASEAN economic integration agenda and promote effective policy making in the region, including Japan’s cooperation toward the realisation of the establishment of the Centre for Digital Innovation and Sustainable Economy in ERIA, and expressed appreciation for Japan’s continuous support in strengthening bilateral trade and investment flows and looked forward to stronger cooperation between ASEAN and Japan for the next decades.
18. We welcomed the progress of the **first ASEAN Plus Three Research Project for Closing the Digital Divide in MSMEs undertaken by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) and the ASEAN Secretariat**. The initiative highlights the importance of digital tools and solutions in narrowing the gaps in infrastructure connectivity, access to market, digital skills, and financing capabilities of MSMEs. We underscored the critical role of digitalisation in the APT region’s post-pandemic economic recovery, particularly in building the resilience of MSMEs by enabling them to develop digital start-ups and adopt digital solutions for innovation and entrepreneurship.

26. We noted the successful convening of the 13th ASEAN Connectivity Symposium, **with support from the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA)**, and the ASEAN Connectivity Coordinating Committee (ACCC) Consultations with Dialogue Partners and Other External Partners on Connectivity, on 3 and 4 October 2022, respectively.

32. We reiterated the commitment to advance cooperation in promoting sustainable, inclusive and innovative development, as well as in strengthening cooperation with all stakeholders, including the private sector, to achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We supported ASEAN’s efforts in narrowing the development gap and promoting sustainable and equitable development across the ASEAN Community including through aligning sub-regional growth with the comprehensive development of ASEAN. We reaffirmed our commitment to forge closer cooperation in poverty alleviation and welcomed the continued progress of the East Asia Poverty Reduction Cooperation Initiative. We called for the development of collaborative projects to protect and conserve the environment and biodiversity; promote sustainable use of natural resources, including water resource management and sustainable development of mineral resources, and to address the impact of climate change and the issue of marine plastic debris. In this regard, we welcomed the continuous contribution of the Plus Three countries to reduce marine debris through the ASEAN Plus Three Marine Plastic Debris Cooperative Action Initiative. **We welcomed in particular activities of the Regional Knowledge Centre for Marine Plastic Debris (RKC-MPD) of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) to address the marine plastic issue, as well as collective efforts towards the achievement of Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP).** We encouraged the activities of the Private Sector Platform by RKC-MPD to promote the collaboration between policymakers and business sectors to tackle the marine plastic issue.
CHAIRMAN’S STATEMENT OF THE 40TH and 41ST ASEAN SUMMITS
Phnom Penh, 11 November 2022

ASEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

68. We noted the achievements in accomplishing Cambodia’s Priority Economic Deliverables for 2022, aided by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) which include: (i) the Work Programme to Support the Implementation of the Framework for Circular Economy for the ASEAN Economic Community; (ii) the Development of the ASEAN Guidelines on Sustainable Agriculture; (iii) the Launch of ATIGA Upgrade Negotiations; (iv) the Framework on Sustainable Tourism Development in ASEAN in Post COVID-19 Era; (v) the Development of the Work Plan for the Implementation of the ASEAN Framework for Equitable Economic Development (AFEED); and (vi) the Comprehensive Study on the Implementation of Mutual Recognition Arrangements for Tourism Professional (MRA-TP): Enhanced Mechanism for Tourism Professionals.

ASEAN SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMUNITY

73. We commended the contribution of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) to Cambodia’s ASCC Chairmanship, in particular its support to the development of 13 priority ASCC deliverables. We also appreciated ERIA’s assistance and support for research including on Learning Loss in Reading and Mathematics at Primary School Level during the Pandemic in Lower Mekong Countries, and workshops that contributed to ASEAN outcome documents under the ASCC, including the ASEAN Declaration on Fostering ASEAN Identity through the Safeguarding of Traditional Sports and Games in the Modern World and the ASEAN Declaration on Leveraging the Role of Sports in ASEAN Community Building and Achieving the SDGs.

79. We acknowledged the socio-economic value of sports in improving physical and mental health, well-being, and leveraging the role of sports in ASEAN Community-building and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. In this regard, we are pleased to adopt the ASEAN Declaration on Leveraging the Role of Sports in ASEAN Community Building and Achieving the SDGs and the ASEAN Declaration on Fostering ASEAN Identity through the Safeguarding of Traditional Sports and Games (TSG) in the Modern World. We noted with appreciation the support of experts from the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), UNESCO, and the Commonwealth Secretariat in the development of both Declarations, including the ongoing Research Study on the Preservation of TSG.
WAY FORWARD

27. We thank WTO, UNESCAP, OECD, World Bank, UNCTAD, UNIDO, IMF, WHO, ITC, IsDB and ERIA for their valuable contributions in our discussions and welcome further analysis to support the G20’s work on trade, investment, together with trade-related industry matters moving forward.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ASEAN SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMUNITY (ASCC) COUNCIL
JOINT STATEMENT
Phnom Penh, 13 October 2022

17. The Meeting commended the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) for supporting the Cambodia ASEAN Chairmanship and delivering a number of side events under the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community.

THE TWELFTH ASEAN EDUCATION MINISTERS MEETING
JOINT STATEMENT
Ha Noi, 13 October 2022

6. We commend Cambodia, with support from ERIA, for their leadership in conducting the ongoing study on student learning loss in reading and mathematics at primary schools during the COVID-19. This will result in strategic guidance to address the learning crises and the need for human resource development in ASEAN.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH AEM – METI CONSULTATION
JOINT MEDIA STATEMENT
Siam Reap, 17 September 2022

8. Reaffirming the need for ASEAN and Japan to further enhance cooperation for an inclusive, resilient, and sustainable future, the Meeting welcomed the study by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) on advancing a comprehensive ASEAN-Japan economic partnership in the light of structural reforms, emerging new issues, and the post-COVID-19 growth agenda in ASEAN and Japan. The Meeting acknowledged the contribution of Japan to ERIA, which continued to support ASEAN economic integration agenda and promote effective policy making in the region. and expressed appreciation for Japan’s continuous support in strengthening bilateral trade and investment flows and looked forward to stronger cooperation between ASEAN and Japan for the next decades.
8. The Meeting commended the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) for its continuous research support which contributes to efforts in strengthening regional economic integration. The Meeting noted ERIA’s paper on “East Asia Post Pandemic – An Integrative, Innovative, Inclusive, and Sustainable Region through Digitalisation”, which aims to enable the region to respond quickly and effectively to future shocks and to minimise the impact of such shocks on the region. The Meeting welcomed ERIA to continue supporting the EAS process through its research, including the Study on “Comprehensive Asia Development Plan 3.0 (CADP 3.0).

6. The Meeting welcomed the ASEAN Plus Three Research Project for Closing the Digital Divide in MSMEs undertaken by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) and the ASEAN Secretariat. The initiative highlights the importance of digital tools and solutions in narrowing the gaps in infrastructure connectivity, access to market, digital skills, and financing capabilities of MSMEs. In welcoming the study, the Meeting underscored the critical role of digitalisation in the APT region’s post-pandemic economic recovery, particularly in building the resilience of MSMEs by enabling them to develop digital start-ups and adopt digital solutions for innovation and entrepreneurship.

7. On the ‘Energy Efficiency and Conservation’ work stream, the Meeting appreciated the resumption of energy audits by Japan which were previously paused due to the global health pandemic and looked forward to the findings and lessons learned from the latest audit candidate by March 2023. The Meeting noted the findings of the EAS Energy Saving Potential and Outlook prepared by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), including the generation of ‘Low-Carbon Energy Transition-Carbon Neutral (LCET-CN) scenarios’ and the implications for energy and technology choices in EAS countries across the power and final energy consumption sectors.
8. On the ‘Biofuels for Transport and Other Purposes’ work stream, the *Meeting noted the publication of the Joint ERIA study in December 2021 on the ‘Analysis of EAS Future Mobility Fuel Scenario, Considering the Sustainable Use of Biofuels and Other Alternative Vehicle Fuels’*. The Meeting looked forward to the findings and implications of (i) evaluating ‘Well-to Wheel’ CO2 emissions when using biofuels in India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam; (ii) assessing the minerals demand and related emissions that underpin mobility electrification; and (iii) the analysis of mobility scenarios for EAS countries considering synergies between biofuel use and electric vehicle output.

11. The *Meeting appreciated the contributions of ERIA towards energy policy research activities in the EAS region through the implementation of the rolling 3-year Roadmap on EAS Mid-Term Energy Policy Research for 2021-2023, including the voluntary scenario analyses on the ASEAN Carbon Neutrality Scenario conducted with the Institute of Energy Economics of Japan*. The Meeting also welcomed the successful convening of the 5th East Asia Energy Forum (EAEF5) and its Phnom Penh Reflections focusing on ASEAN’s challenges on carbon neutrality and energy security on 12 September 2022 organised by ERIA and Cambodia.

**THE 54th ASEAN ECONOMIC MINISTERS’ (AEM) MEETING**

**JOINT MEDIA STATEMENT**

Siam Reap, 13-15 September 2022

**Trade Facilitation**

16. The *Meeting noted the completion of the “Follow-up Study of the ASEAN Seamless Trade Facilitation Indicators (ASTFI II)” with the support of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) and also noted that its public version will be published in the first quarter of 2023 to raise the public’s awareness of ASEAN’s trade facilitation initiatives.*

**Collaborating with Development Partners**

55. *Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). The Meeting expressed appreciation to ERIA for its continued support to the ASEAN economic integration and AEC-building efforts, particularly in delivering the Priority Economic Deliverables under the Cambodia Chairmanship in 2022*, which include: (i) the Work Programme to Support the Implementation of the Framework for Circular Economy for the ASEAN Economic Community; (ii) the Development of the ASEAN Guidelines on Sustainable Agriculture; (iii) the Launch of ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) Upgrade Negotiations; (iv) the Development of the Work Plan for the Implementation of the ASEAN Framework for Equitable Economic Development (AFEED); (v) the Final 13 Framework on Sustainable Tourism Development in ASEAN in Post COVID-19 Era; and (vi) the Comprehensive Study on the Implementation of Mutual Recognition Arrangements for Tourism Professional (MRA-TP): Enhanced Mechanism for Tourism Professionals.
56. The Meeting also acknowledged ERIA’s research activities and studies to contribute to the implementation of many ASEAN initiatives in various areas of regional economic integration, including: (i) the completion of the 2nd Study on ASEAN Seamless Trade Facilitation Indicators (ASTFI II); (ii) the Implementation Plan of Framework for Circular Economy (FCE) for the AEC; (iii) the publication of the ASEAN Handbook on Good Regulatory Practices; (iv) the study on the supply and demand of professional services in ASEAN which includes how to enhance the level of interaction and mobility of ASEAN professional services due to the evolving services trade landscape; (v) transposition of the schedules of commitments from the positive listing approach into the negative listing approach under the ATISA; and (vi) the development of a training programme for ASEAN professionals (e.g., engineers, architects, accountants, and surveyors) to integrate the knowledge on the 4IR based on ASEAN Consolidated Strategy on 4IR, in the way they supply their services. The Meeting further acknowledged ERIA’s capacity-building programme and expressed its appreciation for the assistance given to CLM particularly with regard to implementing their RCEP commitments, e.g., rules of origin and transposition of tariff reduction schedules.

THE ASEAN POST MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE (PMC) 10+1 SESSIONS WITH THE DIALOGUE PARTNERS AND TRILATERAL MEETINGS
CHAIRMAN’S STATEMENT
Phnom Penh, 3-4 August 2022

Australia

23. The Meeting noted the significant contribution of the ASEAN-Australia Development Cooperation Program Phase II (AADCP II) to the ASEAN’s Community-building process. The Meeting appreciated Australia’s commitment in supporting ASEAN’s efforts to deepen regional economic integration and looked forward to the AUD80 million successor Australia for ASEAN Futures - Economic Connectivity program ECON, which would commence in late 2022. The Meeting also looked forward to furthering cooperation between ASEAN and Australia on connectivity and narrowing the development gap, including through support for the implementation of the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025 and the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI) Work Plan IV (2021-2025), as well as on the ASEAN Smart Cities Network (ASCN) through the ASEAN-Australia Smart Cities Trust Fund. The Meeting welcomed further ASEAN-Australia cooperation on digital economy and digital standards through the AUD5 million ASEAN-Australia Digital Standards Initiative. The Meeting noted Australia’s AUD5 million in support to the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), and the AUD1 million in support for ASEAN Fall Armyworm Action Plan to reduce crop losses. The Meeting noted the AUD 232 million Mekong-Australia Partnership to promote sustainable water resources management, further scholarship opportunities and strengthen technology capabilities to support economic integration and development in the Mekong sub-region.
Areas of Cooperation
Environment and Energy


2.2. Regional Economic Integration

2.2.5. Collaborate, where appropriate, with the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) to orient its policies and research activities towards the priorities and concerns of ASEAN and Australia as well as other EAS Participating Countries.

III. SOCIO-CULTURAL COOPERATION

3.1 Protect and conserve the environment and promote the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and natural resources through:

(a) Closer cooperation in the following areas:

(iii) Support ASEAN Plus Three Marine Plastic Debris Cooperative Page 14 of 26 Action Initiative, particularly activities of the Regional Knowledge Centre for Marine Plastic Debris (RKC-MPD) of the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) to address marine plastic issues in complementarity with the ASEAN Regional Action Plan for Combating Marine Debris (2021 – 2025);
3. SOCIAL AND CULTURAL COOPERATION

3.9 Promote people-to-people exchanges through:

(e) Promoting common interests in East Asia and cope with common challenges through the East Asia Forum, Network of East Asia Think Tanks (NEAT), Network of ASEAN-China Think-tanks (NACT), Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), and other mechanisms.