



## **Gearing up for a Post-Pandemic World**

Designing policies for an innovative and sustainable recovery in Southeast Asia



# 8 February 2022

16h00-17h30 (KST) 14h00-15h30 (WIB) 8h00-9h30 (CET)

# **Draft Agenda**

### **OECD-ERIA High-Level Event on**

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### **Background and objective**

Amid a global context of recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, countries, industries and firms are faced with the intensification of two core transformational trends to society: on the one hand, the increased adoption of digital technologies can be key to spurring a leap in aggregate productivity and promoting the catch-up of actors that were previously lagging behind. On the other, it has become clear that innovation and systemic change will be crucial in confronting the challenge of climate change and achieving carbon neutrality for sustainable long-term economic growth. Governments can play a decisive role in designing industry, innovation and entrepreneurship policy mixes that allow firms to better navigate and thrive during these transitions.

The objective of this high-level panel is to approach these pressing questions with and among regional stakeholders in Southeast Asia. The discussion of recent analysis from OECD, ERIA, and partner organisations will also serve as a channel to gather feedback and ideas from actors in the region on the mechanisms that may help boost productivity, digital technology diffusion and integration of global value chains (GVCs) across Southeast Asia.

### **Speakers** (15-20min each):

- **Jaehan Cho** (Director, Innovative Growth Policy Division, Korea Institute for Industrial Economics and Trade)
- Venkatachalam Anbumozhi (Director of Research Strategy and Innovation)
- Julia Tijaja (Former Director of ASEAN Integration Monitoring at the ASEAN Secretariat)
- Siah Hwee Ang (Professor of International Business and Strategy and Director of Southeast Asia Centre of Asia-Pacific Excellence, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand)

Moderator: Chiara Criscuolo (Head, Productivity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Division, OECD)

#### **Selected OECD and ERIA work:**

- OECD (2021) Promoting the Productivity of SMEs in ASEAN Countries: strengthening capabilities, enabling business dynamics, OECD Publishing, Paris. (LINK)
- OECD (2021) Strengthening Economic Resilience Following the COVID-19 Crisis: a firm and industry perspective, OECD Publishing, Paris. (LINK)
- ERIA (2021), Economic Policies to take Advantage of the Vigorous Private Dynamism in AMS and India during the COVID\_19 Crisis, ERIA Publishing, Indonesia. (LINK)
- ASEAN (2021), Framework for Circular Economy for the ASEAN Economic Community. (LINK)
- ERIA (2021), Global Value Chains and COVID-19: An Update on Machinery Production Networks in East Asia, ERIA Publishing, Indonesia. (LINK)
- ERIA (2021), The Impact of COVID-19 on Business Activities and Supply Chains in the ASEAN Member States and India, ERIA Publishing, Indonesia. (LINK)