REGIONAL WORKSHOP CUM ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON
ASEAN ECONOMIC INTEGRATION

BANGKOK, THAILAND | 28-29 NOVEMBER 2019

PROGRAM
OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this workshop cum roundtable discussion are to:

1. Provide an overview of current agricultural marketing systems and trade policies in the AMS and identify existing challenges and opportunities;
2. Present and validate the studies conducted by IFPRI on ASEAN agricultural transformation;
3. Present findings on trade policies and standards and foreign direct and agribusiness investments, and;
4. Explore potential integration/regional value chains among the AMS to increase their competitiveness in the international market.

EXPECTED OUTPUTS

The participants are expected to come up with plans and recommendations in relation to the following:

a. Design and methodology on the regional-level technical assistance (TA)
b. Design and topics for the High-Level Policy Forum (HLPF) in 2020

METHODOLOGY

The workshop will involve country presentations on agricultural marketing systems and trade policies in the AMS. In addition, there will be presentations on research and studies on agricultural transformation and on foreign direct and agribusiness investments. This will be followed by a roundtable discussion on design and methodology of regional-level TA and recommendations for the HLPF in 2020.
# Day 1: 28 November 2019

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| 9:00 – 10:00  | **Inaugural Session**                                                 | **Dr. Pedcris M. Orencio**  
Program Head, Research and Development Department, SEARCA                         |
|               | Welcome Remarks                                                       | **Dr. Devesh Roy**  
Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI                                                      |
|               | Opening Messages                                                      | **Dr. Fabrizio Bresciani**  
Lead Regional Economist, Asia and Pacific Division, IFAD                           |
|               | Group Photo                                                           |                                                                                  |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Tea/Coffee Break                                                      |                                                                                  |
| 10:30 AM –    | **Presentation: Agricultural transformation, market integration, and  | **Dr. Hiroyuki Takeshima**  
12:00 PM       | smallholders in Southeast Asia: Regional overview and some micro-evidence from Vietnam|
|               | **Presentation: A Tale of Two Headmost Asian Trading Blocs: Assessing  | **Dr. Devesh Roy**  
Food Trade of ASEAN and SAARC                                                        |
|               | **Open Forum**                                                       | **Facilitator: Ms. Aniq Fadhillah**  
Policy Facilitator, IFPRI                                                             |
| 12:00 – 1:30  | Lunch                                                                 |                                                                                  |
| 1:30 – 3:00   | **Country Presentations – Agricultural Marketing Systems and Trade**  | **Mr. Sorn Vichet, MAFF-GDA**  
Dr. Phonevilay Sinavong, NAFRI  
Ms. Nang Seng Pin, CESD                                                                |
| 3:00 – 3:30   | Tea/Coffee Break                                                      |                                                                                  |
| 3:30 – 5:00   | **Country Presentations – Agricultural Marketing Systems and Trade**  | **Mr. Christian Paul L. Fang, UPLB**  
Ms. Bui Thi Viet Anh, IPSARD                                                           |
|               | **Open Forum**                                                       | **Facilitator: Mr. Jimmy B. Williams**  
ATMI-ASEAN Project Support Unit (PSU) Coordinator, SEARCA                             |
| 5:00 – 6:00   | Free Time                                                             |                                                                                  |
| 6:00 PM onwards| Welcome Dinner                                                       |                                                                                  |
Day 2: 29 November 2019

8:00 – 10:00 AM **Country Presentations – Existing Trade Policies and Standards**
- Indonesia (30 mins) Dr. Muhammad Firdaus, *Institut Pertanian Bogor*
- Malaysia (30 mins) Dr. Nolila Mohd Nawi, *Universiti Putra Malaysia*
- Singapore (30 mins) Ms. Maria Esperanza F. Alconcel, *International Trade Expert*
- Thailand (30 mins) Dr. Isriya N. Bunyasiri, *Kasetsart University*

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| 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM | **Country Presentations – Existing Trade Policies and Standards**
- Taiwan (30 mins) Prof. Shih-Hsun Hsu, *National Taiwan University*

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| 1:00 – 3:00   | **Presentation: Foreign Direct Investments in Singapore** Ms. Maria Esperanza F. Alconcel

**Presentation: Guidelines on Responsible Investment in Food, Agriculture and Forestry**
- Private Sector’s perspective Ms. Erin Sweeney  
  *Partnerships Associate, Grow Asia*
- Farmers’ Organization’s perspective Ms. Lany V. Rebagay  
  *Policy Advocacy Officer, AFA*

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| 3:15 – 4:30   | **Roundtable Discussion**
- Framework and methodology of regional value chain
- Recommendations for the High-Level Policy Forum (HLPF) in 2020

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| 4:30 – 5:00   | **Closing Session**
- Synthesis / Way Forward Mr. Jimmy B. Williams
- Closing Remarks Dr. Glenn B. Gregorio  
  *Director, SEARCA*

*Masters of Ceremony: Mr. Jimmy B. Williams & Ms. Bernice Anne C. Darvin*