



**Independent Regional (Southeast Asia) Food Systems Dialogue**  
“INNOVATION TO BOOST CLIMATE-SMART NATURE-POSITIVE FOOD PRODUCTION IN THE ASEAN REGION”

**15 MARCH 2021**

**15:00 Bangkok, Hanoi, Jakarta; 16:00 Manila, Singapore, KL**

**(10h00 – 12h30 GMT+2)**

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**SUMMARY**

Theme:	Innovation Towards Boosting Climate-Smart Nature-Positive Production in Southeast Asia
Aim:	To provide a multi-stakeholder platform for stakeholders to explore various existing and emerging approaches that have the potential to deliver nature-positive solutions at scale and encourage collaborative action in the ASEAN region and beyond and to directly inform the United Nations Food Systems Summit process.
Target Audience:	The food systems dialogue will bring together state and non-state actors, to include policy research institutions, universities, farmer organizations, agri-business, agricultural financiers, civil society, policy makers, oversight bodies and the media.
Format:	3-part series of 90 minutes each via zoom: 1) Ideas for Innovation; 2) Connecting Innovation Ideas with Food Systems; 3) Creating Tangible Recommendations for the UNFSSD
Registration Link:	<a href="https://bit.ly/3e2gohg">https://bit.ly/3e2gohg</a>

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**BACKGROUND**

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (2030 Agenda) marked a paradigm shift in global development at a time when the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) region experienced (and continues to experience) high economic growth. While many countries have achieved significant poverty reduction, many challenges remain that affect the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in ASEAN countries.

In 2021, UN Secretary-General António Guterres will convene a Food Systems Summit as part of the Decade of Action to achieve the SDGs by 2030. It is also a solutions summit that will require everyone to take action to transform the world's food systems. The Summit's Action Tracks offer stakeholders a wide range of backgrounds a space to share and learn, foster new actions and partnerships, and amplify existing initiatives. Each Action Track is designed to address possible trade-offs with other tracks and identify solutions that can deliver wide-reaching benefits.

Leveraging the momentum of the Food Systems Summit, **the ASEAN-Climate Resilience Network (ASEAN-CRN), in partnership with the Global Alliance for Climate-Smart Agriculture (GACSA) and UN FAO Regional Asia Pacific Office, will convene a three-part Independent Summit Dialogue series to give stakeholders from the ASEAN region**



an opportunity to contribute to designing climate-friendly food systems of the future, and to explore how they can work together to make the transformations happen in the coming decade.

The proposed ASEAN-CRN Independent Summit Food Systems three-part series dialogue will be aligned to *Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production*. To achieve nature-positive food production systems, we must adopt practices that protect, manage and restore nature, while globally meeting the fundamental human right to healthy and nutritious food for all. Nature-positive food production systems recognize that biodiversity underpins the delivery of all ecosystem services on which humanity depends. These are critical for delivering the Sustainable Development Goals, the Convention on Biological Diversity, and the Paris Agreement.

This three-part series explore:

1. Innovation idea generation to support nature positive sustainable food systems
2. Connection of the innovation ideas to food systems
3. Role of ASEAN-CRN as an innovative platform for Food Systems transformation

### FORMAT

The ASEAN-CRN Regional Food Systems Dialogue series will bring together food systems experts and farmers, private sector and policy leader as they explore, debate and then shape pathways to sustainable food systems that will inform the ASEAN region's contributions to the 2021 UN Food Systems Summit. The Food Systems Dialogue program will feature plenary sessions and theme-based break-away sessions. The dialogue will provide time and space for informal discussion groups, enabling participants to engage fully. Social media, including Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube, will form part of the communications strategy to promote the dialogue as well as disseminate proceedings and outcomes.

### KEY QUESTIONS

1. What are the innovations need to support nature positive sustainable food systems?
2. How can we empower farmers and small-medium enterprises to scale-up innovation that will mitigate and adapt for nature positive sustainable food systems production?
3. How can innovation platforms promote/scale up to a nature positive sustainable food systems?

The Summit Dialogue will address Action Track 3 by focusing on the following themes:

#### ***Sub-theme 1: How can innovation platforms promote/scale-up to nature positive sustainable food systems?***

1. Adopting measures to address climate change.
2. Climate action in agriculture planning and monitoring.

#### ***Sub-theme 2: What are the innovations need to support nature positive sustainable food systems?***

1. Accessing finance.
2. Engaging the private sector.

### EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The ASEAN-CRN Regional Food Systems Summit Dialogue is an opportunity to bring people together and engage stakeholders in the climate challenges of the world's food systems. The Dialogue is designed to facilitate engagement guided by the values of sustainable development and informed by both science and experience. The event will address key sustainable development challenges and explore opportunities for collaborative partnerships. The ASEAN-CRN Dialogue offers a purposeful and organized forum for stakeholders to come together to share their roles in food systems, consider their impacts on others and find new ways to come together in support of the Sustainable Development Goals. The outcomes of the Summit Dialogues will inform the Summit process and help to guide individual and collective action towards a future of food that is sustainable, equitable and secure.



## DRAFT PROGRAMME

### Regional Food Systems Dialogue Series Part 1 of 3: Ideas for Innovation

<b>Monday, 15 March 2021</b> <b>(15h00 Bangkok and Hanoi / 16h00 Jakarta, Manila, Singapore / 09h00 CET)</b>	
<b>TIME</b>	<b>ITEM</b>
<b>15h00 – 15h20</b>	<p><b>Introductions &amp; Welcome:</b> Dada Bacudo, Convenor of the ASEAN Climate Resilience Network (ASEAN-CRN)</p> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b> by: Mr. Pichest Wiriyapaha, Director – General Department of Agriculture (DOA) Thailand, ASEAN-CRN Chair</p> <p><b>Road map to UN FSSD and its relevance to SDGs</b> by: Martin Frick, Deputy to the Special Envoy for the 2021 UN Food Systems Summit</p>
<b>15h20-15h40</b>	<p><b>DISCUSSION STARTER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Introduction to Action Track 3</b> by: Joao Campari, WWF International and Chair of Action Track 3, UN Food System Summit</li> <li>- <b>The need for a sustainable and resilient food-systems approach in Asia and the Pacific region:</b> by Beau Damen, FAO RAP</li> </ul>
<b>15h40-15h50</b>	<p><b>Innovation idea: Short Film Showing of <i>Black Soldier Flies: Natural solutions to food waste, lowering emissions and organic natural livestock feed: The case from an island in the Philippines</i> – Thierry Giron</b></p>
<b>15h40-16h55</b>	<p><b>LET’S GET GOING</b></p> <p><b>Curator:</b> Dada Bacudo, ASEAN-CRN</p> <p>Idea Generation Roundtable to support nature positive sustainable food systems:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Farmers Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Mrs. Mubayyinah Djauhari, Aliansi Petani Indonesia (Indonesian Peasants Alliance)</li> <li>o Ika Krishnayanti, Aliansi Petani Indonesia</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Dr Margaret C. Yoovatana, Senior Policy and Plan Specialist, Department of Agriculture Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Thailand</li> <li>o Dian Sukmajaya, Food, Agriculture, Forestry Division ASEAN Secretariat</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Scientific Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Dr Ole Sanders, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) &amp; Climate and Clean Air Coalition</li> </ul> </li> <li>- CSO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Ma Estrella Penunia, Secretary General, Asian Farmers Association (AFA)</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Private Sector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Xin Yi Lim, Executive Director, Sustainability and Agricultural Impact at Pinduoduo</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Interactive Participant Polling</b></p>
<b>16h55-17h15</b>	<p><b>Idea Generation Discussant:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Transforming Agricultural Innovation for People, Nature and Climate</b> by: Dhanush Dinesh. Head of Partnerships and Outreach at CCAFS - CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS); Innovation Lead for Action Track 3 and Co-Chair of ‘<i>Transforming Agricultural Innovation for People, Nature and Climate</i>’ campaign—part of the UK’s Nature campaign for COP26</li> </ul>



<p><b>17h15- 17h30</b></p>	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- H.E. Hans Hoogeveen, co-Chair, Global Alliance for Climate-Smart Agriculture (GACSA) &amp; Ambassador / Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the UN FAO</li><li>- Mr Beau Damen, UN FAO Regional Asia Pacific Office</li><li>- Mr. Pichest Wiriyapaha, Director – General Department of Agriculture (DOA) Thailand, ASEAN-CRN Chair</li></ul>
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