

SUMMARIZED MEETING REPORT

6th Annual ASEAN Climate Resilient Network Meeting

7 April 2021



Group photo of ASEAN CRN Focal Points, ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN Working Groups, and Development Partners. (Photo: GIZ/Diella Dachlan)

I. Background

Since its establishment in 2014, the ASEAN Climate Resilience Network (ASEAN CRN) — a platform for promoting climate resilience through the exchange of information, expertise, and experiences on climate-smart agriculture amongst the ASEAN Member States — has successfully and vigorously launched activities that aimed to ensure adaptation of the agriculture sector to climate change and optimize its mitigation potential.

This year, the ASEAN CRN, as chaired by Thailand's Department of Agriculture, convened its annual meeting virtually. It was hosted by the Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI) as ATWGARD Chair, to strengthen its contributions to the goals of ASEAN in building a region resilient to climate change.

II. Meeting Objectives

The 6th ASEAN Climate Resilience Network Meeting is organized to bring support closer to the demands and needs of ASEAN agriculture and land use, specifically the contributions of ASEAN CRN in climate change and agriculture, which directly contribute to several ASEAN Working Groups' Strategic Plans of Action (SPA's). These in turn contribute to specific targets of the ASEAN Food, Agriculture and Forestry (FAF) Cooperation Vision, Strategic Thrusts 4, 6 and 7, as well as the recent ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework, which identifies sustainable agriculture and climate-smart agriculture as tools towards ASEAN's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The objectives of the meeting include:

1. Reporting on the activities of the ASEAN CRN in the past years since its last Annual Meeting in Laos, and agreeing on a 3-year work plan that reflects the contribution of ASEAN CRN to several ASEAN Working Groups' SPA's;
2. Discussing and agreeing on several internal ASEAN CRN matters, namely: (1) sustainability and support of ASEAN CRN, and (2) Amendment to the ASEAN CRN Terms of Reference (TOR), which describes the role of the ASEAN CRN Coordination Unit;
3. Providing a platform for donors, development partners, and implementers to meet to achieve common goals and support the implementation of the work plan; and
4. Identifying partners and ways that ASEAN CRN can contribute to the overall ASEAN Strategic Plan on Food, Agriculture, and Forestry Cooperation Vision 2025, and the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework.

III. Participants

The meeting was attended by the members of ASEAN CRN (consisting of focal points from the ASEAN Technical Working Group on Agriculture Research and Development), as well as representatives from other ASEAN sectoral bodies such as the ASEAN Sectoral Working Groups on Crop, Climate Change, and Senior Officials on Rural Development, and Poverty Eradication.

In addition, regional and international development agencies, civil society and academia were also in attendance.

The complete list of participants is attached in **Annex I**.

IV. Meeting Schedule

The meeting was divided into two parts. The first half centered on the reporting of the activities undertaken by ASEAN CRN in the past years, discussions on the collated Needs and Support Matches, and a breakout session to discuss the work plan. The second half was intended as an internal ASEAN CRN discussion.

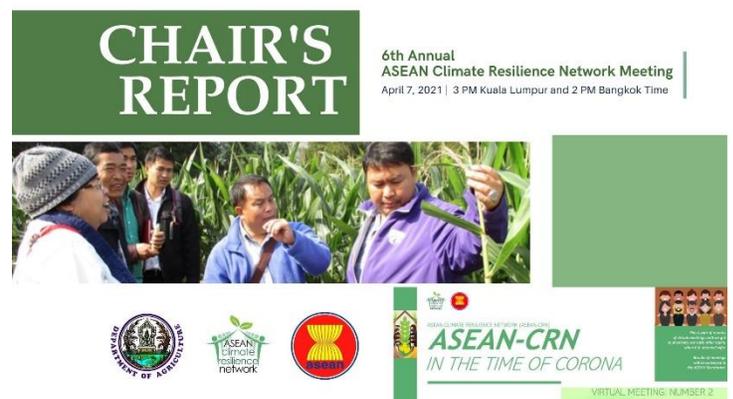
The final meeting program is attached in **Annex II**.

1.1 Opening Ceremonies

Mr. Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman of Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI) opened the meeting on behalf of the organizing committee and expressed his gratitude for the presence of ASEAN Focal Points, Working Groups, and development partners.

Datuk Dr. Mahomad Roff Mohd Noor, Director-General, MARDI as the Host Country, welcomed the participants to the meeting and expressed hopes for fruitful discussion and regular exchanges on climate change and food security during the pandemic and strengthen regional exchanges. Dr. Noor launched the ASEAN CRN Commemorative Token, Tee Tee the Malayan Tiger.

Dr. Margaret C. Yoovatana of the Thailand Department of Agriculture and ASEAN Climate Resilience Network, as Chair, added to the welcoming remarks. Dr. Yoovatana presented the Chairman's report through a video presentation: [Chair Report, The 6th ASEAN-CRN Annual Meeting on 7 April 2021 - YouTube](#)



Photos from the launch of the ASEAN CRN Commemorative Token and Chairman's Report video presentations.

1.2 Presentation of Participants

Ms. Imelda Bacudo as facilitator of this event acknowledged the presence of the focal points from ASEAN CRN, representatives from the ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN Committee on Women, ASEAN Working Groups, SOM Rural Development and Poverty Eradication, and other partners of ASEAN CRN.

1.3 Presentation of Objectives, Meeting Agenda, and Expected Outcomes of the Meeting

Ms. Bacudo emphasized that the meeting is a platform for collaboration among stakeholders on climate change, food security, and resilience.

A short video from MARDI was presented showing what the meeting in Penang, Malaysia might have been and emphasized the rich cuisine and culture of Malaysia. ([Short Video from MARDI](#))

1.4 Presentation and Discussion of the Collated Needs and Support Matches

Prior to the meeting a *Support Needs and Sources template* was sent to the focal points of ASEAN CRN based on the FAF Strategic Plan. The objective was to identify priorities for the work of the network, understand support needs and available support offers from development partners. The input is meant to feed into a workplan for ASEAN CRN which will support the ASEAN Vision in the face of climate change.

Ms. Bacudo facilitated the presentation and discussion of the collated Needs and Support Sources Matches.

The five main strategic thrusts or objectives were based on the Vision and Strategic Plan for ASEAN Cooperation in Food, Agriculture, and Forestry (2016-2025), Strategic Plan of Action for ATWGARD (2021-2025), and ASEAN Recovery Plan. The five main strategic thrusts are:

1. Ensuring quantity and quality of sustainable productions
2. Increasing resilience to climate change, natural disasters, and other shocks
3. Strengthening ASEAN joint approaches on international and regional issues
4. Promoting high-value industries, sustainability, and productivity in agriculture
5. Other support needed or provided regarding the implementation of the ASEAN Recovery Framework

The available support/resources were based on the inputs received from AsiaDHRRA, Stockholm Environment Institute, Grow Asia, FAO Regional Asia Pacific Office, and GIZ – Climate-Smart Land Use in ASEAN (CSLU). All partners have available resources to

increasing resilience to climate change, natural disasters, and other shocks, promoting GHG mitigation and strengthening ASEAN joint approaches on international and regional issues.

The regional needs were culled from existing SPA's of FAF sectoral bodies, together with inputs from the ASEAN Committee on Women. Most of the regional needs fall within the first three identified strategic thrusts.

The matrix of the collated Needs and Support Matches is attached as **Annex III**.

1.5 Breakout Session: Marketplace to Meet and provide Inputs for the Work Plan

Mr. Lufingo Mwamakamba facilitated the breakout session. He highlighted the “marketplace” as the perfect place to come together and “matchmake.” He presented three questions that the participants need to reflect on during the breakout session, namely:

1. What are the gaps and what are the areas of technical work that ASEAN CRN should focus on or work on in collaboration with the participant's group?
2. How can ASEAN CRN increase its impact, particularly for the benefit of the farmers? How can ASEAN CRN help different organizations in helping the farmers?
3. What are the key partnerships and synergies needed to unlock opportunities?

Participants were divided into five groups to discuss the five main strategic thrusts identified in the Support Needs and Sources discussion. Breakout room facilitators were tasked to report the key points of their discussions after the session.

1.6 Reporting of Breakout Room Discussion

Mr. Beau Damen of the FAO Regional Asia Pacific Office, reported for Breakout Room 1- Ensuring Quantity and Quality of Sustainable Production. Concerning impacts, he highlighted the importance of private sector engagement, the need for digitalization in agriculture to get information to the farmers, the market for sustainable products which includes fostering market for sustainable products and working with consumers, and the role of research and development as a driver of the broader impact on sustainability. The flexibility of private sectors was also mentioned concerning partnerships. Mr. Damen noted the New European Union program in Mekong Delta on multi-stakeholder platforms to discuss sustainable production and the need to brainstorm on possible funding opportunities such as GEF 8.

Ms. Imelda Bacudo reported for Breakout Room 2 - Increasing Resilience to Climate Change, Natural Disasters, and Other Shocks. She said that there are big opportunities to work with ADDMER – ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response and Adaptation Fund project with their work plan related to the implementation of the Declaration on Drought. There is a need to learn about local-level governance to which the Philippines has offered to facilitate a knowledge exchange event on local-level or decentralized disaster planning. She also noted that the ASEAN CRN proposal to the GCF Readiness Fund which may converge with the Adaptation Fund project on risk financing.

Ms. Hanna Reuter of GIZ-CSLU reported for Breakout Room 3 - Strengthening ASEAN Joint Approaches on International and Regional Issues. She noted that there is a need for trans-disciplinary action and sectoral bodies should seek convergence and coherence within ASEAN and at the international level. ASEAN CRN is a co-creation space, a place to bring stakeholders together and promote innovation. ASEAN-CRN can review its mandate and set-up to further strengthen this role and should identify which stakeholders to involve for the activities ASEAN CRN is supporting, emphasizing inclusion of beneficiaries. She noted that GASCA is willing to support promoting the successes of ASEAN CRN and its outreach to international partners and that the ASEAN Secretariat is willing to support facilitation and reaching out to other stakeholders and ASEAN entities moving forward. AsiaDHRRA also mentioned in their discussion the links to the RPDE work plan as an area for potential synergy. GIZ further emphasized its ongoing support for ASEAN-CRN and the ASEAN Negotiating Group on Agriculture (ANGA) in cooperation with FAO.

Ms. Alaya de Leon of Parabukas reported for Breakout Room 4 - Promoting High-Value Industries, Sustainability, and Productivity in Agriculture. She highlighted the importance of sustainable finance as an emerging topic for high-value industries and the private sector and regional collaborations for seeking funding opportunities to support the upscaling of technologies. ASEAN CRN can be a knowledge broker to match up with donors. She also noted the need to focus on small-scale farmers to build their capacity for production and SMEs to offer services to small-scale farmers. There is also a need to map the stakeholders and stages of the value chain and look at the public narrative of consumers.

Mr. Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman of MARDI reported for Breakout Room 5 - Other Support Needs Regarding the Contributions to the Implementation of the ASEAN Recovery Framework. He discussed that the farmers have difficulty marketing their products and access inputs during the COVID-19 pandemic. ASEAN CRN can help farmers through digitalization and information technology and in strengthening funding for post-COVID recovery for the affected farmers.

The report from the breakout room discussion is attached as **Annex IV**.

1.7 Inputs from Agencies Supporting ASEAN CRN

Ms. Hanna Reuter from GIZ announced that the Climate-Smart Land Use in ASEAN (CSLU) project will be extended until December 2021 and among its key activities is support to ASEAN CRN and ANGA. She proposed a series of virtual technical events on CSLU topics which include webinars or short trainings and a conference with different stakeholders and beneficiaries.

Mr. Beau Damen of FAO-RAP said that they will continue to support ASEAN CRN and highlighted the existing partnership between countries and development partners. He discussed several activities of FAO-RAP such as the work on support for NDC preparations focused on scaling ambitions for NDCs in climate change and land use, and the work with IPCC on soil carbon monitoring.

Mr. Simon Leiva of Global Alliance for Climate-Smart Agriculture said that they can promote the research and innovation ideas from the region and provide support to future virtual meetings and dialogues of the network.

Ms. Jana Koerner of Climate Change, Agriculture, and Food Security discussed sustainable finance challenges and the CSA Demystifier. The CSA Demystifier is a digital self-assessment tool for SMEs to allow them to conduct a quick scan of risk, return, and impact profiles based on important information needed by investors. It has a user-friendly interface that can guide users through the process.

Ms. Marlene Ramirez of AsiaDHERRA discussed one of their projects where they conduct scoping study to identify climate change adaptation hubs, communities of practice, and other climate change adaptation networks. This project aims to build a mechanism to link communities with the government and other partners. She also encouraged ASEAN CRN to work closely with SOM RDP.

Ms. Nicole Anshell of Stockholm Environment Institute looks forward to how SEI's research can contribute to ASEAN CRN's work. She also said that SEI will have a grant mechanism for climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction that the participants might be interested in avail.

1.8 Feedbacks from the Chairs

Dr. Margaret Yoovatana of DOA Thailand and ASEAN CRN representing as Chair said that ASEAN CRN is adapting to the times through promoting work depending on the current trends such as bio-circular and green economic (BCG) and SDGs, and UN Food System Summit. She noted that the ASEAN Members States need to prioritize policies at the national level and respond to global trends. She also expressed her hopes to see ASEAN CRN as a knowledge broker and as a link to donor partners with regional interests.

Dato Dr. Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani of MARDI added that the ASEAN CRN can continue to adapt with the times and re-align mechanisms to help farmers and the industry in post-COVID. He also noted the need to prioritize policies to address the difficulties faced by the farmers during the pandemic.

1.9 Synthesis and Next Steps

Mr. Beau Damen of FAO-RAP highlighted the role of ASEAN CRN as a knowledge broker that strengthens capacities and delivers benefits to local farmers. He added that the work plan needs to be elaborated to include (1) research and developing as the core of ASEAN CRN's work; (2) private sector engagement; (3) sustainable market and products; (4) reaching out to farmers through digitalization, and; (5) identifying funding opportunities and focal areas for collaborations.

1.10 Closing Ceremonies

Mr. Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman of MARDI thanked the participants for their presence and active participation in the meeting.

Dr. Margaret Yoovatana of DOA Thailand said that she was confident that they will have a good progress report to ATWGARD because of the success of this meeting.

Dato Dr. Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani, Director of Agrobiodiversity and Environment Research Center, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute, added to the closing remarks and thanked the organizers of the meeting. He invited everyone to a virtual field trip with MARDI. ([Virtual Fieldtrip with MARDI](#))

1.11 Internal ASEAN CRN Discussion

Dr. Margaret Yoovatana of DOA Thailand and representing ASEAN CRN as Chair presided the internal discussion where they discussed the institutional sustainability of ASEAN CRN. ASEAN CRN focal points discussed the proposal for amending the Terms of Reference circulated to the Network on February 19, 2021. The proposed amendment focuses on establishing an official Coordination Unit within a national or regional institution to make the institutional structure more sustainable and provide a clearer mandate to this support body.

ASEAN CRN focal points generally welcomed the proposed amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Network. The discussion highlighted the need to review the purpose and achievements of ASEAN CRN together with its vision in the future. ASEAN CRN focal points also agreed to inform the ASEAN Working Group on Agricultural Research and Development (ATWGARD) and to further discuss this matter.

ANNEX I. Complete List of Participants

Country	Name
Brunei Darussalam	Noraini Anggas
Cambodia	Soen Mak
	Lor Bunna
	Sum Cheat
	Sokhouch Him
Indonesia	Setiari Marwanto
	Adha Fatmah Siregar
	Asmar Asmarhansyah
Laos	Viengsavanh Phimpachanhvongsod
Malaysia	Nur Aida Mohd Padzil
	Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman
	Dato Dr. Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani
Myanmar	Dr. Zarni Minn
Philippines	Alice Ilagan
	Perla Baltazar
	Ronaldo Mateo
	Garald Cammagay
Singapore	Bee Ling Poh
	Melissa Chang
Thailand	Margaret C. Yoovatana
	Attapol Chitrbhandh
	Dr.Naruatai Worasatit
	Chinarong Vasanasomsithi
	Chayachai Saengin
	Chaiya Noonlert
Vietnam	Trang Truong
Organization	
Consultant in support of ASEAN CRN	Imelda Bacudo
ASEAN Secretariat	Gemilang Khairinissa
	Saharat Wongsakulwiwat
	Achmad Solikhin
ASEAN AHA Center	Abdul Aleem Siddiq Abdul Hadi
Asia Farmers Association	Maria Elena Rebagay
ASIA DHRRA	Marlene Ramirez
	Luz Angeles Blanco
	Luchie Almagro-Blanco
CIAT-CCAFS	Jana Koerner
	Rathana Peou
FAO-ROAP	Beau Damen
	Hang Pham
GACSA	Jana Stankova
	Mwamakamba Lufingo
	Simon Leiva
GIZ	Hanna Reuter
	Fitra Aidiella Dachlan
	Shofi Fauziyyah

	Taufiqul Mujib
	Pouchamarn Wongsanga
	Zahra Mutiara Zafira
Grow Asia	Reginald Lee
	Ratha Chan
Stockholm Environment Institute	Albert Salamanca
	Nicole Anschell
Social Forestry and AFCC	Alfi Syakila
Climate and Clean Air Coalition	Catalina Etcheverry
	Dai Nghia Tran
	Scarlett Quinn-Savory
United Nations	Marco Silvestri
Parabukas	Alaya de Leon
	Cecilia Therese Guiao
	Nicole Torres
	Sophia Caralde
	Chester Tan
	Mikaela Bernardino

ANNEX II. Final Meeting Program

Time	Agenda/Topic	Resource Persons / Facilitators
14:30 – 15:00	Registration Zoom Room Opens	<i>Event Secretariat</i>
15:00 – 15:20 (20 mins)	Opening Ceremonies Welcome Remarks and Launch of the ASEAN CRN Commemorative Token Opening Remarks and Presentation of the Chairman's Report	Mr. Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman <i>Master of Opening Ceremonies</i> Datuk Dr. Mohamad Roff Mohd Noor <i>Director-General, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute as the Host Country</i> Dr. Margaret C. Yoovatana <i>Thailand Department of Agriculture and ASEAN Climate Resilience Network representing as Chair</i>
15: 20 - 15:25 (5 mins)	Presentation of participants	Ms. Imelda Bacudo <i>Moderator</i>
15:25 – 15:35 (10 mins)	Presentation of the objectives, meeting agenda, and expected outcome of the meeting	Dr. Margaret C. Yoovatana <i>Thailand Department of Agriculture and ASEAN Climate Resilience Network representing as Chair</i>
	Short video break from MARDI	
15:35 - 15:50 (15 mins)	Presentation and discussion on the collated needs and support matches	Ms. Imelda Bacudo <i>Moderator</i>
15:50 -16:20 (30 mins)	Breakout Session: Marketplace to meet and discuss the work plan	Mr. Lufingo Mwamakamba <i>Facilitator</i> Breakout Room Facilitators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Beau Damen • Mr. Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman • Ms. Imelda Bacudo • Ms. Hana Reuter • Ms. Alaya de Leon

16:20 - 16:30 (10 mins)	Reporting of Breakout Room Discussions	Breakout Room Facilitators
	Short video break from MARDI	
16:30 - 17:00 (30 mins)	Inputs from agencies supporting ASEAN CRN	<p>Ms. Hanna Reuter <i>GIZ Climate Smart Land Use Project</i></p> <p>Mr. Beau Damen <i>FAO Regional Asia Pacific Office</i></p> <p>Mr. Simon Leiva <i>Global Alliance for Climate-Smart Agriculture (GACSA)</i></p> <p>Ms. Jana Koerner <i>Climate Change, Agriculture, and Food Security (CCAFS)</i></p> <p>Other organizations: SEI, ASIADHRRRA, and Grow Asia</p>
17:00 -17:10 (10 mins)	Feedbacks from the Chairs	<p>Dr. Margaret C. Yoovatana <i>Thailand Department of Agriculture and ASEAN Climate Resilience Network representing as Chair</i></p> <p>Dato Dr. Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani <i>Director of Agrobiodiversity and Environment Research Center, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute</i></p>
17:10 - 17:20 (10 mins)	Synthesis and Next Steps	Mr. Beau Damen <i>FAO Regional Office for Asia and Pacific</i>
17:20-17:25 (5 mins)	Fun Food Video from MARDI	Ms. Imelda Bacudo <i>Moderator</i>
17:25-17:35 (10 mins)	Closing Ceremonies Closing Remarks	Dr. Margaret C. Yoovatana <i>Thailand Department of Agriculture and ASEAN Climate Resilience Network representing as Chair</i>

	Closing Remarks	Dato' Dr. Mohamad Zabawi Abdul Ghani <i>Director of Agrobiodiversity and Environment Research Center, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute</i>
	Virtual Field Trip with MARDI	
17:35-18:00 (25 mins)	Internal ASEAN CRN discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendment to the ASEAN CRN TOR and role of the ASEAN CRN Coordination Unit/Secretariat • Sustainability of operations of ASEAN CRN 	<i>Chaired by Thailand DOA and MARDI</i>



ANNEX III. Support Needs and Resources responses.

Objectives / Strategic Thrusts	Available Resources	Regional Needs
<p>Ensuring quantity & quality of sustainable production</p>	<p>[AsiaDHRRA] Emphasis in the 2021-205 Strategic Action Plan (SAP) of the promotion and piloting of territorial rural development, through eco-based planning and circular production.</p>	<p>[FAF] ASEAN Guidelines on promoting responsible investments in agriculture sector prepared, adopted, and implemented</p>
	<p>[Grow Asia] Grow Asia’s mandate is around increasing productivity (yield), profitability (incomes), and environmental sustainability of smallholder agriculture. We work at the regional level, at a country level, and field-level (Working Groups).</p>	<p>[RDPE Action Plan] Promote training to improve food production and agriculture competitiveness amidst challenges of climate change in collaboration with SOM-AMAF, particularly with its AWGATE in developing the proposed ASEAN people’s field school</p>
	<p>[FAO RAP] (1) Project support for upscaling can be provided for inclusive, multi-disciplinary nature-based solutions in agriculture and links to SDGs (Vietnam with potential for regional knowledge exchange); (2) Funding support for brainstorming on country projects for new GEF-8 window on sustainable food systems</p>	
<p>Increasing resilience to climate change, natural disasters, and other shocks</p>	<p>[AsiaDHRRA] Financing for smallholder food producers shall take into consideration climate adaptation and gender integration in line with SAP. Currently searching for funding for a planned community resilience register focused on grassroots initiatives, but to be linked to broader/existing initiatives at national/regional levels.</p>	<p>[FAF] Guidelines on integrating the gender dimension and marginalized groups to reduce their vulnerability to natural disasters and climate change developed and adopted by AMS; [FAF] Regional initiatives on CSA supported by climate change finance mechanisms.</p>
	<p>[SEI] Potential support areas include research, capacity building, and knowledge management</p>	<p>[RDPE Action Plan] Document and share good practices and challenges and capacity building on Village/Community Driven Development; [ACW] Enhancing gender data and evidence on the impact of climate change to women and girls in ASEAN</p>
	<p>[Grow Asia] Grow Asia has local teams and working groups in Singapore, Indonesia, Philippines,</p>	<p>[FAF] Guidelines on integrating the gender dimension and marginalized groups to reduce</p>

	<p>Cambodia, Myanmar, and Viet Nam that work on value chain projects (GAP) and mainstream gender in partners' projects and policies. Private sector engagement is a key capability of Grow Asia.</p>	<p>their vulnerability to natural disasters and climate change developed and adopted by AMS; [ACW] (1) Increasing resilience of women and children to climate change, natural disasters, and other shocks through development cooperation projects, (2) ACW Work Plan 2021-2025 includes as priority areas gender mainstreaming and gender-responsive climate change and disaster resilience -- knowledge management, project support for upscaling, funding, capacity building, joint policymaking, and secretarial support are very much needed, (3) Strengthen indispensable roles and resilience of women and girls to (a) address and mitigate socio-economic impacts of disasters and climate change, (b) reinforce their agencies in disaster preparedness, and (c) engage in disaster risk reduction, response, and recovery</p>
	<p>[FAO RAP] (1) Project support for upscaling can be provided for the proposed regional program on drought risk management (ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Drought Adaptation), with a focus on gender responsiveness and anticipatory approaches; (2) Project support for upscaling can be provided for GEF and GCF climate-resilient agriculture projects in Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and potentially the Philippines; (3) Funding support for adaptation fund proposals for Thailand and Vietnam</p>	<p>[FAF] Guidelines on integrating the gender dimension and marginalized groups to reduce their vulnerability to natural disasters and climate change developed and adopted by AMS; [ACW] (1) Increasing resilience of women and children to climate change, natural disasters, and other shocks through development cooperation projects, (2) ACW Work Plan 2021-2025 includes as priority areas gender mainstreaming and gender-responsive climate change and disaster resilience -- knowledge management, project support for upscaling, funding, capacity building, joint policymaking, and secretarial support are very much needed, (3) Strengthen indispensable roles and resilience of women and girls to (a) address and mitigate socio-economic impacts of disasters and climate change, (b) reinforce their agencies in disaster preparedness, and (c)</p>

		engage in disaster risk reduction, response, and recovery
	[GIZ] (1) Climate finance training for sector experts; (2) Developing additional volumes of the ASEAN CSA Guidelines + Overarching Implementation Framework; (3) Technical event series (online) for knowledge exchange and capacity building on selected climate-smart land-use approaches and exploring new concepts; (4) ASEAN Climate Leadership Programme (Batch 2); (5) ASEAN-CRN Secretariat support	[FAF] Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA) practices implemented according to the “ASEAN Guidelines on Promotion of Climate Smart Agriculture Practices” and the guidelines updated to a second version that includes other sectors such as livestock; [FAF] Regional initiatives on CSA supported by climate change finance mechanisms.
Strengthening ASEAN joint approaches on international and regional issues	[AsiaDHRRA] AsiaDHRRA supports SOMRDPE in drafting its Rural Development and Poverty Eradication Work Plan 2021-2025. One of the key elements of the RDPE Framework is Protective (in addition to Economic, Human, Political, Inclusive). The Work Plan will serve as SOMRDPE’s input to the crafting of the ASEAN RD Mater Plan, which is aimed to be a cross-sector, cross-pillar agenda. There are a clear need and commitment for cross-sector/pillar convergence, especially on environment/climate action and gender integration targets.	[FAF] Common positions on key issues affecting the FAF sector developed by ASEAN
	[SEI] Potential support areas include research, capacity building, and knowledge management	[RDPE Action Plan] Regional study to document the existing climate change risk reduction and adaptation strategies in agriculture in the ASEAN Member States aiming at piloting food crop cultivation diversification strategies ("Diversity Crop Production from the Low Production Lands as Climate Change Adaptation")
	[Grow Asia] Grow Asia is implementing the rollout of the ASEAN Guidelines for Responsible Agricultural Investing (ASEAN-RAI) and the ASEAN Fall Armyworm Action Plan. Grow Asia would be open to collaborating on other joint approaches.	[FAF] ASEAN common positions formally submitted to appropriate international fora and widely communicated to stakeholders.

	<p>[FAO RAP] (1) Project support for upscaling in relation to mobilizing climate finance for NDC and KJWA implementation (Cambodia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam); (2) Project support for scaling up climate ambition on land use and agriculture through NDCs and NAPs (Cambodia and Thailand, potential for regional dialogues and exchanges); (3) Capacity building support in relation to COP 26 and KJWA (with GIZ-CLSU; knowledge exchange); (4) Capacity building and knowledge exchange under Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency and Climate Transparency in AFOLU; (5) Capacity building in relation to Deta Food system summit independent dialogues on climate-smart innovation for nature-positive food systems in SEA; (6) Capacity building in relation to regional knowledge exchanges on climate foresight and services in agriculture</p>	<p>[FAF] ASEAN common positions formally submitted to appropriate international fora and widely communicated to stakeholders; [RDPE Action Plan] ASEAN Forum on Improvement of Knowledge, Skills, and Competence of Stakeholders in Climate Change Adaptation within the ASEAN Member States</p>
	<p>[GIZ] (1) Policy brief on ANGA lessons learned; (2) Workshop on ANGA vision and strategy beyond Koronivia; (3) Joint knowledge product/ASEAN policy document by ANGA and AWGCC (and potential others) on ASEAN engagement at UNFCCC; (4) Joint negotiation training and dialogue event involving representatives of ATWGARD/ANGA, AWGCC, and AWGFCC; (5) Support for coordination within ANGA</p>	<p>[FAF] Common positions on key issues affecting the FAF sector developed by ASEAN</p>
<p>Promoting high-value industries, sustainability, and productivity in agriculture</p>	<p>[AsiaDHRRA] AsiaDHRRA implements the Farmers' Fighting Poverty (FFP), providing financing and advisory services in support of value-chain-based businesses/enterprises.</p>	<p>[RDPE Action Plan] Promote training to improve food production and agriculture competitiveness amidst challenges of climate change in collaboration with SOM-AMAF, particularly with its AWGATE in developing the proposed ASEAN people's field school</p>
	<p>[Grow Asia] Grow Asia runs a Digital Program that promotes the development and adoption of smallholder ag-tech solutions.</p>	

	[FAO RAP] Project support for upscaling in relation to GEF Sustainable Rice Landscapes (CSA application in Cambodia, Indonesia, Myanmar, Thailand (with GIZ and UN Environment) and Vietnam)	
Other support needed/provided regarding implementation of the ASEAN Recovery Framework	[AsiaDHRRA] Empowering rural peoples' organizations is key to building community resiliency. This has been central to AsiaDHRRA's work before and even more during/after the pandemic. Strengthening the link between small-scale but organized producers and consumers is a priority in the next five years.	
	[SEI] Potential support areas include knowledge and research on DRR, especially slow onset events.	[ACW] (1) Increasing resilience of women and children to climate change, natural disasters, and other shocks through development cooperation projects, (2) ACW Work Plan 2021-2025 includes as priority areas gender mainstreaming and gender-responsive climate change and disaster resilience -- knowledge management, project support for upscaling, funding, capacity building, joint policymaking, and secretarial support are very much needed, (3) Strengthen indispensable roles and resilience of women and girls to (a) address and mitigate socio-economic impacts of disasters and climate change, (b) reinforce their agencies in disaster preparedness, and (c) engage in disaster risk reduction, response, and recovery
	[GIZ] Policy brief, graphic narrative, and dialogue event on the linkages between COVID-19, climate change, and agriculture/food security (as part of Technical Event Series)	



ANNEX IV. Report from Breakout Room Discussion


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Breakout room 1: Ensuring Quality and Quantity of Sustainable Production (Mr. Beau Damen)

Technical work for CRN to work on

Private sector engagement -- flexibility; round-tables instead of agendas

Multi-stakeholder discussions to discuss sustainable platforms

Role of research and development as a driver of broader impact on sustainability

Digitization in agriculture to get information to farmers

Market for sustainable products, fostering market for sustainable products, working with consumers

Brainstorming about different funding opportunities




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Breakout Room 2: Increasing Resilience to CC, Natural Disasters and other Shocks (Ms. Imelda Bacudo)

AADMER - ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response is building resilience, work with their work plan, adaptation fund project

Need to learn about local-level governance in decentralization -- Philippines has offered knowledge exchange event on local level/decentralised disaster planning

CRN proposal to GCF Readiness Fund may converge with Adaptation Fund funded project on risk financing

Related to implementation of Declaration on Drought





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Breakout Room 3: Strengthening ASEAN Joint Approaches on International and Regional Issues (Ms. Hanna Reuter)

Transdisciplinary action in ASEAN and international partners; trans-sectoral action

Role of CRN in achieving these goals of transdisciplinary action; in place of partnership, bringing people together

CRN mandate could evolve further to look at which stakeholders might be involved in the future

Beneficiaries link to farmers and stakeholders

Common positions are a key tool and will remain key outputs

GACSA: support in selling the successes of ASEAN CRN to further strengthen outreach to international partners to upscale CRN

AsiaDDRHA: RDPE work plan as an area for potential synergy

ASEAN Secretariat: support in facilitation and reaching out to other stakeholders and ASEAN entities



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Breakout Room 4: Promoting High-value Industries, Sustainability, and Productivity in Agriculture (Ms. Alaya De Leon)

Importance of sustainable finance

Importance of regional collaboration (seeking funding support for scaling up, integrated partnership with food system-related agencies at national and regional level)

Scaling up (technologies, capacity for local and national level)

CCA Coalition: there is existing partnership in low-emission rice production; future call for proposal related to COVID recovery and agriculture

Thailand: capacity of genetic conservation laboratories

Stakeholder mapping in different stages of value chain, and identifying who can help (turn them into supporters); public narrative of consumers

CRN to serve as knowledge broker to match up with donors; CRN can play this role beyond this meetin

Focus on small-scale farmers and their needs in relation to resilience (needs capacity building for production, SMEs to offer services to help small scale farmers)

Existing partnerships and opportunities with CCAFS



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Breakout Room 5: Other Support Needed - contributions to the implementation of the ASEAN Recovery Framework
(Mr. Mohammad Hariz Bin Abdul Rahman)



ASEAN recovery framework, consolidate strategy from COVID-19 response

GAPS: 1. farmers having difficulty marketing their products, 2. COVID affecting the supply chain

strengthen mechanism in financial and post-COVID era especially for farmers

CRN can help farmers to market their products through digitalization and information technology to help farmers on these