



8th ASEAN-CRN Annual Meeting

4 April 2023

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Background

The **ASEAN Climate Resilience Network (ASEAN-CRN)** is established in 2014 by the ASEAN Technical Working Group on Agriculture (ATWGARD) -as a platform- to ensure that the agriculture sector of ASEAN member states (AMS) is in a better position to adapt to climate change and optimize its mitigation potential. The network promotes climate resiliency through the exchange of information, expertise, and experiences on climate smart approaches to food systems. Since its formation, the ASEAN-CRN has significantly advanced the agenda of agriculture and climate change in ASEAN by providing a dialogue platform and linking policymakers and the scientific community (<https://asean-crn.org/>). ASEAN-CRN has also supported the establishment of the ASEAN Negotiating Group on Agriculture (ANGA) which has engaged with the UNFCCC in shaping policies relevant to agriculture.

In order to amplify the impact of its initiatives and to enhance contributions to the ASEAN objectives in building a region resilient to climate change, the Thailand Department of Agriculture (DOA), as ASEAN-CRN Chair, and the Philippines Department of Agriculture (DA), as this year's ATWGARD Chair, will be hosting the ASEAN-CRN annual meeting this year.

During the meeting, the ASEAN-CRN Chair will report on the activities and achievements of the network since its last Annual Meeting. Furthermore, the participants (especially ASEAN-CRN focal points) will discuss priority issues on climate change and agriculture that contributes towards the ATWGARD Strategic Plan of Action (SPA) and other relevant working groups such as Crops, and Forestry.

Meeting Objectives

The 8th ASEAN-CRN Annual Meeting aims to support the demands and needs of ASEAN agriculture and land use sectors, and to contribute towards the implementation of the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework which states sustainable agriculture and climate-smart agriculture as tools for ASEAN recovery from the pandemic. The meeting also aims to discuss the contributions of the Network to several AMAF priorities such as the implementation of the ASEAN Sustainable Agriculture Guidelines, the implementation of the third volume of the ASEAN Guidelines on Climate Smart Agriculture, etc.



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Specifically, it aims to:

1. Report on the activities and achievements of the ASEAN-CRN since its last Annual Meeting hosted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation (MOALI), Myanmar
2. Review the agreed 2-year work plan (2022-2023) during the 7th Annual Meeting
3. Agree on several internal ASEAN-CRN matters such as amendment to the endorsed TOR which identifies the role of the ASEAN-CRN Coordination Unit (secretariat), ASEAN-CRN Secretariat mechanism and institutionalisation
4. Identify partners and ways that ASEAN-CRN contribute to the overall ASEAN Strategic Plan of Food, Agriculture and Forestry Cooperation Vision 2025, the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework, and several priority areas of the AMAF such as the ASEAN Strategies for Decarbonisation of agriculture
5. Synthesize important points that will be forwarded to ATWGARD for endorsement

Participants

Members and supporters of the ASEAN-CRN, consisting of focal points from:

- ATWGARD
- Selected focal points of the ASEAN Sectoral Working Group on Crops (ASWGC)
- Selected focal points of the ASEAN Working Group on Climate Change (AWGCC), and Rural Development and Poverty Eradication (RDPE), Gender and other relevant working groups
- Regional and international development partners

Meeting Organizers

The Annual Meeting is being organized by the **ASEAN Climate Resilience Network** with support from the ASEAN-German Cooperation Project, “Promotion of Sustainable Agricultural Value Chains in ASEAN” (ASEAN AgriTrade), implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH; Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations - Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (FAO-RAP); and Mekong Institute (MI) on behalf of the ASEAN AgriTrade Project, in close cooperation with the host - Department of Agriculture, Philippines, ASEAN Secretariat (ASEC), and by Department of Agriculture (DOA), Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MOAC), Thailand.



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Draft Programme

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Co-chairs: Thailand DOA and Philippines DA

Time (UTC+7)	Agenda/Topic	Resource Persons / Facilitators
13:00 - 13:30 (30 min)	Online Registration	MI
13:30 - 13:45 (15 min)	Opening Ceremonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome Remarks by Philippines as host country - Opening Remarks by Thailand as Chair of ASEAN-CRN - Acknowledgement of participants and guests 	Main Moderator - Saniwan Buaban, GIZ - Mr. Joell H. Lales, Director, Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Agricultural Research (DA-BAR), the Philippines - Mr. Rapibhat Chandarasrivongs, Director-General, Department of Agriculture (DOA), Thailand Imelda Bacudo, ASEAN-CRN Coordinator
13:45 - 13:50 (5 min)	Group photo session	MI/GIZ
13:50 - 14:00 (10 min)	<u>Session 1</u> Presentation of the objectives, meeting agenda and expected outcome of the meeting	ASEAN-CRN Chair
14:00 - 14:20 (20 min)	<u>Session 2</u> Progress Report from the Chair	Thailand DOA as Chair
14:20 - 14:40 (20 min)	<u>Session 3</u> Summary of ASEAN-CRN support to the ASEAN Strategy on Carbon Neutrality:	



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	1) GIZ Study on Decarbonising the ASEAN Agriculture and Forestry Sector 2) E-READI Carbon Neutrality Strategies	Saniwan Buaban, GIZ Imelda Bacudo, E-READI
14:40 - 15:10 (30 min)	Session 4 Real Talk: Hello and Updates from ASEAN-CRN Focal Points - Thailand will present Concept Note on the Initiative in developing carbon credit baseline in different crops commodity that possibly be scaling up for ASEAN	Moderator - Imelda Bacudo
15:10 - 15:30 (20 min)	Session 5 Revisit and discuss the agreed 2-year Work Plan (2022-2023) - Thailand will propose to include the Initiative in developing carbon credit baseline in different crops commodity in the 2-year Work Plan	Moderator - Imelda Bacudo
15:30 - 15:35 (5 min)	-- Break --	MI
15:35 - 16:05 (30 min)	Session 6 Internal ASEAN-CRN discussion - ASEAN-CRN Secretariat sustainable mechanism and institutionalisation - Amendment to the endorsed TOR	- Chaired by Thailand DOA - Facilitated by Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, Executive Director, MI
16:05 - 16:20 (15 min)	Session 7 Synthesis and Next Steps (endorsements to 17 th ATWGARD Meeting), including the proposal from Thailand	- Chaired by Thailand DOA - Co-chaired by Philippines DA (as the incoming ATWGARD Chair) - Facilitated by MI
16:20 - 16:30 (10 min)	Closing Meeting - Closing Remarks by Thailand as Chair of ASEAN-CRN - Closing Remarks by Philippines as host country	Moderator - Saniwan Buaban



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