



Mission Report
22nd Governing Board Meeting
SEAMEO Regional Centre for Higher Education and Development (SEAMEO RIHED)
and
10th Regional Seminar on “Linkage and Collaboration between Higher Education Institutions and Industries”

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Danang, Vietnam

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A. SEAMEO Officials and Staff Member on Mission

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B. Background, Description and Objectives of the Activity

SEAMEO RIHED is a centre whose expertise is in higher education. The Centre held its 22nd Governing Board Meeting in Danang, Vietnam. The meeting was held back to back with the 10th Regional Seminar on “Linkage and Collaboration between Higher Education Institutions and Industries”.

C. Participants

1. A total of 20 participants attended the meeting. They were governing board members from Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Thailand; representatives from Cambodia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Vietnam; a representative from ASEAN China Centre (ACC), a representative from ASEAN Quality Assurance Network (AQUN), staff of SEAMEO RIHED and Ministry of Education and Training, Vietnam.
2. A total of 30 participants took part in the 10th Regional Seminar on Linkage and Collaboration between the Higher Education Institution and Industries. They are professors and educators from universities in Danang, Vietnam and the participants who attended the SEMEO RIHED Governing Board Meeting.

D. Organizer/s

1. SEAMEO RIHED and the Ministry of Education and Training, Vietnam. (Higher Education Department)

E. Highlight of the Activity/Summary Points

1. SEAMEO RIHED reported on the Centre achievements in FY 2013/2014 such as the Study visit to China with the collaboration of ASEAN China Centre (ACC), the ASEAN International Mobility Students Programme (AIMS), the workshop on Leadership Development, and the proposal to ADB on Academic Credit Transfer Framework for Asia (ACTFA).
2. For FY 2014/2015, SEAMEO RIHED proposed programmes as follow:

- a. The 9th Meeting of Directors, Secretary General and Commissioner of Higher Education in Southeast Asia, in Lao in 2015.
 - b. SEAMEO College Module II
 - c. ASEAN International Mobility in Higher Education (AIMS)
 - d. The 2nd SEAMEO RIHED-ACC study visit programme on “Industry Cooperation in Research Development”.
 - e. The 2nd SEAMEO RIHED-AEI study visit programme to Australia on “University Research and Innovation”.
 - f. iAward programme for international relation office of Universities under the AIMS project.
 - g. Capacity Building for International Relations Officers
 - h. University Leadership Development workshop
 - i. Greater Mekong Sub-Region University Consortium
 - j. Development of Harmonisation Mechanism (ASEAN-QA II, AQAN, ACTFA)
3. ASEAN China Centre (ACC), Mr. Wang Dao Yu gave a presentation about ACC and the collaboration with SEAMEO Secretariat. ACC also proposed further collaboration with SEAMEO RIHED on the 2nd Study Visit to China in 2015 and invite SEAMEO RIHED to take part in the SEAMEO-China Education Research Network.
 4. ASEAN Quality Framework (AQAN) gave an overview of ASEAN Quality Assurance and its framework in higher education.
 5. The next GBM RIHED will be held in Brunei Darussalam, in March or April 2015.

The high-light during the 10th Regional Seminar on “Linkage and Collaboration between Higher Education Institutions and Industries” are as follow.

6. Governing Board members from 10 countries gave a presentation on “the Linkage and Collaboration between Higher Education Institutions and Industries” in their respective country.
7. Mostly the areas of collaboration are such as
 - a. Facilities & resource sharing; for example, scientific equipment
 - b. Provide visiting professors and community experts
 - c. Research assistantship
 - d. Staff development
 - e. Internship
 - f. Incubator centres
 - g. Entrepreneurship
8. The challenges in collaboration are such as
 - a. Conflict of interest
 - b. Protection of public interest
 - c. Long term support from the government
 - d. Confidentiality of publication based on the result of the research findings
 - e. Lack of funding
 - f. MOU
 - g. Readiness of the research capacity in the universities
9. The success factors are
 - a. Understanding and communication
 - b. Involving top management from both parties
 - c. Personal contact
 - d. Trust
 - e. Government policy

- f. Good public relation
- g. Flexibility in the system, especially the government procedure.

F. Role/Participation of SEAMEO

1. Gave an opening remark on behalf of SEAMEO Secretariat
2. Gave a presentation on significant, agreements and resolutions from the SEAMEO Annual Meetings
3. Provided feedback to the working papers
4. Informed the meeting on the relevant points from the 8th ASEAN Ministers Meeting in Vientiane, Lao.
5. Chaired a session during the 10th Regional Seminar on University and Industry Linkage and Collaboration.

G. Side Meeting/s

1. Met with Dr. Kamjorn Tetakavee, the Secretary General of Office of Higher Education Commission concerning the procedure of recruiting centre director of SEAMEO RIHED.
2. Provided Dr. Kamjorn the official procedure approved by the 44th SEAMEO Council Conference to be used as guidance.

H. Follow-up Actions Needed

1. Send information to some of the Board Members on SEAMEO Congress to follow-up with them in sending representatives to attend the SEAMEO Congress. (done)

I. Appendices/Related Conference Materials and Outputs

1. Agenda of the GBM and the 10th Regional Seminar
2. List of participants of the GBM



