



SEAMEO-UK Education and Research Link: SEAMEO's Study Visit to UK Education and Research Institutions 14 – 20 September 2014

Background

SEAMEO-UK Education and Research Link: SEAMEO's Study Visit to UK Education and Research Institutions primarily aims to link up SEAMEO Centres and SEAMEO Secretariat with relevant education research institutions in the UK with the view of stimulating education and research partnerships between Southeast Asia and UK.

The initiative, which seeks to raise the bar for international collaboration on education and research, is in line with the goal of UK-ASEAN Knowledge Partnership to create new partnerships between UK and Southeast Asia in knowledge-related fields of education, research and development and innovation.

The SEAMEO-UK Education and Research Link aims for SEAMEO delegation:

1. To generate better understanding on:
 - a) UK's relevant policy and innovative strategies on education, training and HRD (basic/primary and tertiary levels);
 - b) how United Kingdom's national agenda and policies on research and development are being incorporated in the development of education policies, school curricula and delivery of education services;
 - c) strategies and mechanisms of the UK Department of Education in establishing education partnerships/collaboration especially with industry and private sector; and
2. To explore possible cooperation between UK Department of Education and SEAMEO

Provisional Programme*

Date	Time	Programme	Remarks
13 Sept (Sat)	Departure from home country		
14 Sep (Sun)	Delegates arrive in London		
15 Sep (Mon)	Morning session	<p>British Council Office London</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit briefing by Dr John Law, HE Advisor, British Council • Briefing session with RCUK Representative • QAA Representative: Dr. Stephen Jackson, Director of Reviews with overall responsibility for the management and delivery of review activity. This includes universities and other higher education providers, the review of higher education in further education colleges and the review of private higher education colleges. • Representative from Department of Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) • Representative from Department for Education (DfE) 	
	Afternoon session	<p>Visit to University College London (UCL)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Professor David Price, VP Research, University of London 	<p>Meeting with education institutions/universities may be conducted following this programme/format:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of participants; • Brief introduction/overview of SEAMEO and Centre's work and; • Orientation on the UK institution, mandates, work and areas of cooperation on education/science/culture • Exploratory discussions on possibility of cooperation • SEAMEO's gift/token giving (SEAMEO Secretariat will be preparing the gifts)

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Tue 16 th Sep	Morning session	Visit to Queen Mary University of London <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Professor Bill Spence, VP for Research 	
	Afternoon session	Meeting with National Centre for Universities and Business (NCUB) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with David Docherty, Chief Executive of NCUB. 	
		Travel to Bristol	
Wed Sep 17 th	Morning session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with HEFCE on University funding: Dr Cliff Hancock, Head of International Relations Meeting with UK NARIC, Time Buttress, Head of Stakeholder Management Group 	
	Afternoon session	Visit University of West of England <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Professor Martin Boddy, Pro Vice-Chancellor: Research and Business Engagement and Director of RBI 	
Thu 18 th Sep	All Day	Visit University of Bristol and Networking Session The Networking Session aims to provide opportunities for both SEAMEO and UK institutions to discuss possible areas for collaboration	Networking Session may be conducted following this programme/format: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of participants; SEAMEO Secretariat and SEAMEO Centres' presentations of work and programmes; Orientation on the UK institution, mandates, work and areas of cooperation on education/science/culture Exploratory discussions on possibility of cooperation Expected Output: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial plans for possible collaborative activities or follow up actions on how the collaborations can be pursued

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Fri 19 th Sep	Morning session	Visit University of Swansea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with Professor Richard Davies, Vice-Chancellor of Swansea University 	Prof Richard Davies is also the keynote speaker for SEAMEO Congress. The visit to Swansea University may be a good opportunity for Prof Davies to know more about SEAMEO and its work. SEAMEO delegation can also explore possibility of SEAMEO-Swansea University cooperation.
	Afternoon session	Return to London	
Sat 20 th Sep	Departure from London		