



## **Mission Report**

### **China-ASEAN University President Forum**

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#### **A. SEAMEO Officials and Staff Member on Mission**

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#### **B. Background, Description and Objectives of the Activity**

China-ASEAN University President Forum is an affiliate forum to the 9<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Education Week in its “follow up” period. The forum is a venue for policy level dialogues on university spirit and innovative ideas. It is also an interactive platform where wisdom is shared and consensus earnestly sought. The forum provides a good opportunity for PR China to draw on the world’s advanced experience in higher education, and opens a window through which our fellow educators in ASEAN countries can observe and understand China and its higher education at close quarters. The forum mainly consists of lectures, academic discussions between participants, field study and on-scene lectures.

The China-ASEAN University President Forum was held from 31 October to 1 November 2016 at Hainan Tropical Ocean University, Hainan Province, P.R. China under the theme “Win-win collaboration Build the South China SEA Civilization Together”.

#### **C. Expected Outputs from the Week:**

- Participation of SEAMES to this event aimed to
1. promote visibility of SEAMEO in PR China; and
  2. learn & have new partnerships with institutions in PR China.

#### **D. Participants**

The participants included officials, presidents, and academics from Universities in Southeast Asian region and PR China.

#### **E. Organizers**

Organisers of the event were the Education Department of Hainan Province and Hainan Tropical Ocean University. The forum is co-sponsored by Association of the China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers and hosted by the Organizing Committee of China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week.

## **F. Highlights of Activity/Summary Points**

Highlights of Activity consisted of

1. Opening Ceremony which the leaders of Education Department of Hainan Province, CAECW, SEAMES, ACAETC, Sanya Municipal Government, and Hainan Tropical Ocean University shared their visions and experiences
2. The signing of Letter of Intent between SEAMES and Education Department of Hainan Province.
3. The meeting of the Association of China-ASEAN Education and Training Centers (ACAETC) and the submission of letter of intent to be one of the SEAMEO Affiliate member.

## **G. Role/Participation of SEAMEO Secretariat**

The main participation of SEAMES in this forum was to represent SEAMEO through Opening Speeches, and seal the agreement with Education Department of Hainan Province for collaboration in education, science and culture development.

## **H. Follow-up actions needed**

1. Actions according to the Lol signed between SEAMES and Education Department of Hainan Province are as follows.
  - 1.1 Cooperation and exchanges between the higher education institutions (especially the vocational institutes) **(PO1, ERO)**.
  - 1.2 Teacher exchange programs at schools of all levels between Hainan Province and SEAMEO Member Countries. **(PO1, Focal person of Priority #5)**
  - 1.3 Exploration of opportunities to provide scholarships to promote the mobility of students. **(PO1)**
  - 1.4. Taking turn in organising an education forum or expo on the issues of mutual concern, subject to available resources. **(PO1)**
2. Consideration on the possibility of ACAETC to be the SEAMEO Affiliate Member. **(PO1)**

## **I. Appendices/Related Conference Materials and Outputs**

1. Annex1 Photos of SEAMEO Participation
2. Annex2 Agenda, Theme, and Subthemes of the China-ASEAN University President Forum
3. Annex3 Letter of Intent between SEAMES and Education Department of Hainan Province
4. Annex4 Letter of Intent from ACAETC to be SEAMEO Affiliate Member.