



Concept Note and Programme

I. Background

In response to the recommendation of the 2nd SEAMEO High Officials Meeting in Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), held in Bali, in May 2016 to promote the collaboration among TVET institutions in Southeast Asian countries with other regions beyond Southeast Asia, the SEAMEO Secretariat in collaboration with PR China through the ASEAN-China Center (ACC), Guizhou Provincial Department of Education (GPDE), and the Secretariat of China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week (CAECW) has annually organized the Partnership Workshop of SEAMEO-China TVET Cultural Twinning Programme since 2017, back to back with the China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week in Guiyang, PR China.

The 1st and 2nd Partnership Workshop of SEAMEO-China TVET Cultural Twinning Programme in 2017 and 2018 were participated by over 200 participants from TVET institutions and universities in Southeast Asian countries and China. The workshop aimed to promote collaboration between Southeast Asian and Chinese institutions through cross-country partnership programmes such as management visits, teacher and student exchange programmes, scholarships, short course trainings, and joint researches.

Approximately **213** Frameworks of Cooperation/Letters of Agreement/MOUs between Chinese and Southeast Asian TVET institutions; and **600** agreed collaborative activities were signed at the SEAMEO-China Partnership Workshop in 2017 and 2018.

As a result from the agreements signed at the workshop in 2018, the partnership agreements between China and Southeast Asia became successful with approximately over **370** students exchanged, **163** teacher exchanged, over **250** scholarships from China provided to Southeast Asia, and at least **12** management and study visits, were implemented during September 2017 to October 2018. Moreover, **2** dual programs were in the process of development, and the establishment of ASEAN-China Teacher Development Center between SEAMEO VOCTECH, KOPERTIP, and Wuxi Institute was agreed in October 2018. *(Data as recorded by SEAMEO in October 2018)*

To strengthen the collaboration between the Southeast Asian TVET institutions and Chinese TVET institutions in 2019, the **3rd Partnership Workshop of SEAMEO-China TVET Cultural Twinning Programme will be organized on 25-26 July 2019 in Guiyang, PR China.** The workshop will be conducted back to back with the 12th China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week (22-26 July 2019).

II. Objectives of 3rd Partnership Workshop

The Workshop aims to:

- 1) Strengthen and sustain long-term collaboration between TVET institutions in China and Southeast Asian countries;

- 2) Provide opportunity of capacity development for TVET administrators, teachers, and students through cross-country partnership programmes between China and Southeast Asian countries such as student and teacher exchanges, scholarships, short course trainings, internships, and dual programmes;
- 3) Set up the partnership agreements which can start the implementation in September 2019 onwards; and
- 4) Develop a group of model TVET institutions of best practices for cross-country partnership development.

The proposed activities for cross-country collaboration to be discussed at the workshop between China and Southeast Asia may include as follows:

- 1) Benchmarking/Management Visit
- 2) Student Exchange and Internship for 1 month up to 1 year.
- 3) Student Scholarships
- 4) Teacher Exchange (Language and Technical subjects)
- 5) Short Course Trainings for Teachers
- 6) Online Twinning Classroom
- 7) Joint Student Activities
- 8) Joint Researches
- 9) Development of Dual or Doubled Degree Programmes
- 10) Others as discussed among parties

III. Organisers

Host: Guizhou Provincial Department of Education (GPDE)
The CACEW Secretariat
ASEAN China Center
Guizhou Polytechnic of Construction.

Co-organiser: SEAMEO Secretariat

IV. Eligible TVET Institutions to be Selected to Join the 3rd Workshop:

The Workshop will be participated by approximately 100-120 participants who are from:

- Selected **25 advanced TVET colleges/polytechnics/universities from China**
- Selected **25 advanced TVET colleges/polytechnics/universities from Southeast Asia**

The criteria to select the participating institutions from **Southeast Asian countries** are as follows:

- 1) Southeast Asian TVET Institutions which joined the SEAMEO-China Programme since 2017 and have actively collaborated with Chinese Institutions such as student exchanges, teacher exchanges, scholarships, management visits and other forms of collaboration.
- 2) **1-2 persons** from each TVET institution who are from the **Management Level/Decision Makers** such as Director, Deputy Director, or Head of Programme.
- 3) The participating TVET institutions must provide **Diploma, or Higher Diploma, Bachelor in at least two areas of the following 8 main study areas:**
 1. Hospitality and Tourism
 2. Engineering: Mechatronics, Mechanics, Electronics, and Manufacturing

3. Agriculture and Fisheries
 4. Computer Science, Information Technology
 5. Business, Marketing, Logistics, Finance
 6. Multimedia and Creative Industry
 7. Health Science
 8. Language Education
- 4) The participants must be able to **communicate in English**.
 - 5) The participating TVET institutions must have a **policy in place** at the institutional level to promote cross-country collaboration between China and Southeast Asian countries.
 - 6) The participating TVET institutions should have **commitment** for participating in this programme.
 - 7) The participating TVET institutions **must have EXPERIENCES or potential in developing collaborative programmes between China and Southeast Asia**.
 - 8) The participating TVET institutions are able to commit to implement the collaborative programme such as student and teacher exchange, starting September 2019 and onwards.

V. Expected Outputs:

The expected outputs from the 3rd Partnership Workshop are as follows:

1. Sharing of implementation experiences from selected Southeast Asian institutions and Chinese institutions on the current collaborations such as teacher and student exchange programmes
2. Identification of collaborative or scaling-up collaborative activities under the SEAMEO-China TVET Cultural Twinning Programme
3. Establishment of commitments/agreements (in pair or small group) and collaborative action plans between TVET institutions in China and Southeast Asia that can be implemented in September 2019 onwards.
4. Commitment for submitting the collaborative report/evaluation to SEAMEO Secretariat in early 2020.

VI. Funding Support (For Southeast Asian Participants):

The organisers will support the following expenses for **maximum of 2 persons from selected 25 institutions from Southeast Asia**.

1. **Local costs, including airport transfer, accommodation from 24 to 27 July (the night of 24, 25, and 26 July), local transportation from accommodation to conference venue, and meals** will be supported by the 12th China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week (CAECW) Secretariat.

We suggest the participants to arrive at Guiyang on 24 July and depart Guiyang on 27 July 2019. **(Airport transfer/pick up will be provided to participants who arrive on 24 July and depart on 27 July only.)**

2. Roundtrip air ticket and visa application fee of participants from Southeast Asia should be supported by the participating TVET institutions, except the roundtrip air ticket of participants from Myanmar, Cambodia and Lao PDR (2 persons from each country) will be sponsored by the CAECW Secretariat.

VII. Timeline

Date	Activities
10-30 June 2019	Online Application (For Southeast Asian participants only) http://bit.ly/3rdSEAMEOChina-Application
20 June – 5 July 2019	SEAMEO send Official Invitation Letter with Confirmation Form to eligible TVET institutions who applied through online application Coordinating with Chinese partner for visa application letter
15 July 2019	Deadline to provide flight details to SEAMEO (After the visa is approved)
19 July 2019	Webex Online Meeting for Pre-Departure and Preparation Participants: Southeast Asian and Chinese TVET Institutions [Webex] Programme Briefing for 3rd SEAMEO China (19July2pm) Friday, July 19, 2019 2:00 pm Bangkok Time (Bangkok) 2 hours Meeting link: https://seameo.my.webex.com/seameo.my/j.php?MTID=maf32a68671ad7751ec69ebb466858cc Meeting number: 629 307 266 ## Webex tutorial for non- experience in webex is on 18 July 2019
24 July 2019	Participants arrive Guiyang and check in at the hotel (Airport pick-up is provided)
25-26 July 2019	The 3 rd Partnership Workshop of SEAMEO-China TVET Cultural Twinning Programme Venue: (To be confirmed)
27 July 2019	Participants depart Guiyang

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