



Mission Report
5th High Officials Meeting on SEA-TVET:
9-10 September 2019, Centrepont Hotel, Brunei Darussalam

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2) Background, Description and Objectives of the Activity

- The 5th High Officials Meeting (HOM) on Southeast Asia - Technical and Vocational Education and Training (SEA-TVET) with the theme of “**Strengthening Efforts towards TVET 4.0**” was organised by the Ministry of Education of Brunei Darussalam, Politeknik Brunei (PB), Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE), and International Affairs Unit (MoE), and SEAMEO VOCTECH on 9-10 September 2019 at The Centrepont Hotel, Gadong, Brunei Darussalam. The meeting was co-organised by the SEAMEO Secretariat.

- The meeting aimed to:
 - 1) discuss the current situation of TVET collaboration during 2018-2019;
 - 2) identify the strategies to improve the regional cooperation and harmonisation for the region;
 - 3) determine and plan for the regional directions and strategies to advance quality of TVET in Southeast Asian countries that may enhance the responsiveness of the member states and the region towards Industry 4.0; and
 - 4) strengthen cooperation among the TVET Ministries/Departments and TVET development agencies among Southeast Asia and with other countries beyond Southeast Asian.

3) Organisers:

Host Organisations

- Ministry of Education of Brunei Darussalam
- Politeknik Brunei (PB)
- Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE)
- International Affairs Unit (MoE)
- SEAMEO VOCTECH

Co-organisers:

- SEAMEO Secretariat

4) Participants:

- The meeting was attended by approximately 104 delegates who are Secretary Generals/Director Generals/Directors on TVET of Ministries of Education, Ministries of Labour and Training, Ministries of Science and Technology, Ministries of Higher Education and other related Ministries from the Southeast Asian countries, namely, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and Timor Leste.
 - **Brunei Darussalam:** Ministry of Education
Ministry of Culture Youth and Sports
Ministry of Primary Resource and Tourism
Ministry of Development
 - **Cambodia:** Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports
Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training
 - **Indonesia:** Ministry of Education and Culture;
Ministry of Research, Technology and Higher Education
 - **Lao PDR:** Ministry of Education and Sports
 - **Malaysia:** Ministry of Education
 - **Myanmar:** Ministry of Education
 - **Philippines:** Department of Education (DEPED)
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)
 - **Singapore:** Ministry of Education
 - **Thailand:** Ministry of Education
 - **Timor Leste:** Embassy of the Democratic Republic of Tomor-Leste
 - **Vietnam:** Ministry of Education and Training
- In addition, the meeting was attended by representatives from country partners and development agencies such as ASEAN Secretariat, GIZ (Germany), UNESCO, ASEAN-China Centre, KOSEN (Japan), KRIVET (Korea), SEAMEO Centres (SEAMEO SEN, SEAMEO TED, SEAMEO SEAMOLEC, and SEAMEO SEARCA) and representatives from industry such as Chambers of Commerce, Industry Associations, TVET Associations.

5) Sessions in the Programme:

- Opening Ceremony by the Minister of Education of Brunei Darussalam
- Official Announcement of Industry 4.0 Feature in SEA-VET.net
- Session 1: Country Initiatives: Strengthening Efforts toward TVET 4.0
 - The Keynote Speech addressing the topic, “Digitalisation Industry 4.0, VET 4.0: The German Way of Transformation” by Mr. Herbert Tutschner from BIBB, Germany.
 - Country presentation by Brunei Darussalam, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia
- Session 2: Regional Initiatives for TVET Development in Southeast Asia by Development Agencies. The following proposals and reports were presented.
 1. Progress Report of ASEAN TVET Development Council, by TESDA, Philippines
 2. ASEAN Initiatives for TVET Development, by ASEAN Secretariat
 3. Future ASEAN Agenda for TVET by GIZ-RECOTVET
 4. Regional Cooperation on TVET 4.0 for the Year 2020-2030 by GIZ/RECOTVET
 5. SEAMEO VOCTECH-GIZ/RECOTVET Modules for Industry 4.0 by GIZ/RECOTVET
 6. Survey to Assess Industry and TVET Institutions Readiness for Industry 4.0 by SEAMEO VOCTECH
 7. Skill 4.0 for Industry by Department of International Trade, UK
 8. TVET Regional Initiative on Entrepreneurship Education, by UNESCO-Bangkok
 9. Towards a Community of Shared Future: China-ASEAN TVET Collaboration by ASEAN China Centre
 10. Online Course Development by Utilizing Common ASEAN Tourism Curriculum (CATC) by SEAMEO SEAMOLEC
 11. Progress Report on TVET Training for Special Educational Needs Teachers and Proposal by SEAMEO SEN
 12. SEA-TVET Student Exchange Programme by SEAMEO Secretariat
- Session 3.1 and 4.1: High Officials’ Round Table Meeting

The High Officials’ Round Table Meeting was also conducted on 9 September as one of the most important sessions of the High Officials Meeting on SEA-TVET. The session was conducted as a closed and informal session among heads of delegations and official representatives from Ministries/Departments of Education and related Ministries of Southeast Asian countries and representatives from SEAMEO Regional Centres.

Resolutions and regional recommendations from the High Official’s Round Table Meeting are presented in [Appendix I](#).

- Concurrent Session 3.2: Skill Development for TVET 4.0, presented by Politeknik Brunei, German Malaysia Institution, KRIVET-Korea and KOSEN-Japan
- Concurrent Session 4.2: Public-Private Partnership Model towards TVET 4.0, presented by LabTech, Department of International Trade- UK, and National E-Commerce Vocational Teaching Steering Committee, PR China.

- Session 5: Bilateral/Networking Session:
- Session 6: Synthesis and Ways Forward
- Closing Session and Declaration of Agreements

The High Officials' Meeting also proposed Cambodia (Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport and Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training) to host the 6th High Officials Meeting on SEA-TVET in 2020/2021.

6) Role/Participation of SEAMEO

- The SEAMEO Secretariat
 - Preparing concept note, programme and invitation letters to countries, speakers, development agencies, SEAMEO Centres
 - Overall coordination
 - Lead coordination in programme development, international speakers, and moderators
 - Development of session guidelines
Coordination with SEAMEO Centres
 - Sending Invitation to SEAMEO Member Countries, speakers and moderators
 - Coordinating for logistic arrangement for international participation
 - Responsible for organising Bi-lateral Meeting and Round Table Meeting
- SEAMEO VOCKETCH
 - Coordinating with the Ministry of Education and other co-hosts in Brunei Darussalam in organizing the meeting
 - Coordinating the logistic arrangement
 - Facilitating Round Table Meeting
 - Conducting the networking session

7) Side Meeting/s

- Networking session

8) Follow-up Actions Needed

- Developing a Summary Report by coordinating with VOCKETCH and IBTE
- Proceeding thanking letters to the hosts
- Proceeding thanking letter to participating Ministries, and non-participating Ministries – attaching with a Summary Report
- Proceeding thanking letters to speakers
- Uploading presentations files, outputs and photos on the SEA-TVET web and share to all participants
- Preparing a short write-up for SEAMEO website
- Drafting the Concept Note and Programme of 6th HOM on SEA-TVET for Cambodia

9) Appendices/Related Meeting Materials and Outputs

- Summary Report and Participant Directory
- Webpage: <http://seatvet.seameo.org/news/30>
- Photos – please refer to the Summary Report.