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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Directors
Climate Change Service
Biodiversity Management Bureau
Environmental Management Bureau
Forest Management Bureau
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

FROM : The OIC-Director
Policy and Planning Service

**SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR TALKING POINTS FOR OPENING AND CLOSING
REMARKS OF THE 5TH ASEAN-EU HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE ON
ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE 20TH ASEAN
PLUS THREE SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING ON THE
ENVIRONMENT (APT-SOME)**

DATE : 14 JUL 2023

This refers to the 5th ASEAN-EU High Level Dialogue (HLD) on Environment and Climate Change as well as the 20th ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on the Environment (APT-SOME) which will be held back to back with the 34th Meeting of the ASEAN Senior Officials on the Environment on 2 August 2023 and 3 August 2023, respectively.

The ASEAN-EU HLD on Environment and Climate Change is a forum between ASEAN and the EU which covers areas of cooperation and latest policy developments in the ASEAN and the EU, including in areas such as natural capital, circular economy, marine litter, chemicals and trans boundary movement of waste, green technology, biodiversity conservation, Long Term Strategies for low greenhouse gas emissions and climate finance. The Philippines, as country coordinator for ASEAN-EU relations until 2024 will serve as co-chair of the said Dialogue and its head of Delegation will deliver opening and closing remarks, alongside the EU.

The APT-SOME is a forum among the senior environment officials of ASEAN, China, Japan and the Republic of Korea which tackles cooperation on the environment including ongoing activities, proposals, and initiatives, as well as preparations for the ASEAN Plus Three Environment Ministers' Meeting. As the meeting will be held The Philippines will assume chairmanship of ASOEN after its 34th Meeting and shall serve as the ASOEN Chair for the meeting and shall deliver the opening and closing remarks.

In this regard, may we kindly request for talking points from your offices **on or before 18 July 2023** for inclusion in the drafting of the opening and closing remarks. Attached are the tentative agenda for both events for your information and reference.

For your information, please.


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**THE THIRTY FOURTH MEETING
OF THE ASEAN SENIOR OFFICIALS ON THE ENVIRONMENT
(34TH ASOEN MEETING)**

**1 August 2023
Bogor, Indonesia**

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME
(as of 24 June 2023)

09.00 – 09.15	1.	Opening Session a) Welcome Remarks b) Opening Remarks	Indonesia (Host) Myanmar (Chair)
	-	Photo Session	
09.15 – 09.30	<i>Coffee Break</i>		
09.30 – 09.40	2.	Election of Vice Chairperson	Chair
	3.	Adoption of Agenda	Chair
	4.	Business Arrangements	
	4.1	Designation of Report Drafting Committee	AMS
09.40 – 10.00	5.	Report of ASOEN Chairperson	Myanmar
	6.	Relevant Decisions of ASEAN Meetings	ASEC
	7.	Decisions of ASEAN Environment Ministerial Meetings and Latest Updates	
	7.1	17 th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution (2022)	Singapore (Chair/Host)
	7.2	ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on the Environment (ad-referendum) (2022)	Cambodia (Chair & Host)
	7.3	24 th Meeting of Sub-Regional Ministerial Steering Committee (MSC) on Transboundary Haze Pollution (2023)	Singapore (Chair & Host)
	7.4	11 th Meeting of the Sub-Regional Ministerial Steering Committee on Transboundary Haze Pollution in the Mekong Sub-Region (2022)	Thailand (Chair & Host)
10.00 – 11.30	8.	Reports/Recommendations of ASOEN Working Groups	

		9.6	ASEAN Resources Panel (ARP)	ASEC
12.00 – 13.30	<i>Lunch Break</i>			
13.30 – 14.00	10.	Cooperation with Dialogue / Sectoral Dialogue Partners		ASEC
		10.1	a) Japan-ASEAN Climate-Environment Program (for consideration) b) 2 nd ASEAN-Japan Ministerial Dialogue on Environmental Cooperation c) ASEAN-Japan Environment Week	Thailand / ASEC
		10.2	a) ASEAN-EU Ministerial Dialogue on Environment and Climate Change (2023)	Philippines / ASEC
		10.3	a) ASEAN-US Work Plan on Environment and Climate Change (for consideration (TBC)) b) ASEAN-US Ministerial Dialogue on Environment and Climate Change (2023)	Indonesia / ASEC
		10.4	Partnership of ASEAN-ROK Methane Action (PARMA)	Viet Nam / ASEC
14.00 – 14.30	11.	Matters Related to ASEAN Community 2025 and Cross-sectoral Issues		
		11.1	Relevant Cross-sectoral Initiatives / Issues <i>among others:</i> a) ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework b) ASEAN Blue Economy Framework c) ASEAN Carbon Neutrality Strategy d) ASEAN Leaders' Declaration on One Health Initiative e) ASCC Research and Development Platform on Climate Change f) ASEAN Disaster Resilience Platform g) ASEAN Strategic Framework to Combat Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) through One Health Approach h) Regional Framework of Environmental Rights in ASEAN i) Implementation Plan of the Framework of Circular Economy for AEC and Establishment of the Focal Group for Circular Economy (FG-CE) j) Development of the Regional Action Plan on Mainstreaming Biodiversity in the Fisheries Sector k) Guidelines on Timor Leste's Participation in ASEAN Meetings l) HLTF on ASEAN Community's Post-2025 Vision	ASEC
14.30 – 15.00	12.	Preparation for the ASOEN-Dialogue Partners Senior Officials Meetings (SOM) / Dialogues: a) 17 th AJDEC b) 20 th APT SOME c) 5 th ASEAN-EU HLD d) 3 rd ASEAN-ROK HLD e) 2 nd ASEAN-US HLD		Indonesia



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8.	Reports/Recommendations of ASOEN Working Groups	
8.1	ASEAN Working Group on Nature Conservation and Biodiversity (AWGNCB)	AWGNCB Chair (Philippines)
8.1.1	ASEAN Action Plan on Invasive Alien Species (IAS) (for consideration)	ASEAN Chair (Indonesia)
8.2	ASEAN Working Group on Coastal and Marine Environment (AWGCME)	AWGCME Chair (Thailand)

10.2	a) ASEAN-EU Ministerial Dialogue on Environment and Climate Change (2023)	Philippines / ASEC
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12.	Preparation for the ASOEN-Dialogue Partners Senior Officials Meetings (SOM) / Dialogues: a) 17 th AJDEC b) 20 th APT SOME c) 5 th ASEAN-EU HLD d) 3 rd ASEAN-ROK HLD e) 2 nd ASEAN-US HLD	Indonesia
13.	Preparation of the 17th AMME and Related Meetings	
13.1	Tentative Daily Schedule of Meetings & Logistical Arrangements	Lao PDR



**THE 20TH ASEAN PLUS THREE
SENIOR OFFICIALS MEETING ON THE ENVIRONMENT (SOME)**

**3 August 2023
Bogor, Indonesia**

TENTATIVE AGENDA & PROGRAMME
(as of 12 June 2023)

11.00 – 11.20	1.	Opening Remarks	<i>Philippines (Incoming ASOEN Chair)</i>
	2.	Remarks by the Senior Officials of China, Japan and Republic of Korea	<i>Plus Three Countries</i>
	-	Photo Session	
	-	Introduction of Heads of Delegates	
	3.	Adoption of Agenda	
	4.	Business Arrangements	
11.20 – 11.30	5.	Relevant Decisions of ASEAN Plus Three Meetings	<i>ASEC</i>
11.30 – 12.30	6.	Review of Completed and Ongoing Activities under ASEAN Plus Three Environmental Cooperation	
	6.1	ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation	
	6.1.1	ASEAN Plus Three Marine Plastics Debris Action Initiative (Ongoing)	<i>Japan</i>
	6.1.2	Upcoming ASEAN Plus Three Activities 2023 and 2024	<i>AMS / Plus Three Countries</i>
	6.2	ASEAN-China Cooperation	<i>China</i>
	6.2.1	Progress of Implementation of the Framework of ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Strategy (2021-2025)	
	6.2.2	List of Upcoming ASEAN-China Activities 2023 and 2024	
	6.2.3	Update of ASEAN-China National Focal Points	

	6.3	ASEAN-Japan Cooperation	<i>Japan</i>
	6.3.1	Overall Progress of Implementation of ASEAN-Japan Environmental Cooperation Initiative / Outcomes of 17 th AJDEC	
	6.3.2	List of ASEAN-Japan Activities 2023 and 2024	
	6.4	ASEAN-Republic of Korea Cooperation	
	6.4.1	Overall Progress of Implementation of ASEAN-ROK Environmental Cooperation	<i>ROK</i>
	6.4.2	List of ASEAN-ROK Activities 2023 and 2024	
12.30 – 12.55	7.	Consideration of New Proposals under ASEAN-China / ASEAN-Japan / ASEAN-ROK / ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation	<i>ASEAN Plus Three Countries</i>
	8.	Preparation for the 18th ASEAN Plus Three Environment Ministers Meeting	<i>Lao PDR</i>
	9.	Other Matters	
	9.1	Update of ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials on Environment Focal Points	<i>ASEC</i>
	10.	Dates and Venue of the 21st ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on the Environment	<i>Lao PDR</i>
	11.	Adoption of the Summary Record of the 20th ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on the Environment	
12.55 – 13.00	12.	Closing	<i>Philippines</i>
13.00	Lunch		

**THE 34TH MEETING OF ASEAN SENIOR OFFICIALS ON ENVIRONMENT (ASOEN)
AND RELATED MEETINGS**

31 JULY – 4 AUGUST 2023, BOGOR, INDONESIA

TENTATIVE DAILY SCHEDULE

(as of 24 June 2023)

No.	Time (GMT+7)	Meeting	Arrangement	Chair	Vice- / Co-Chair
Mon 31 July 2023					
1	09.00 – 10.20	9 th Programme Steering Committee Meeting on ASEAN-Germany Cooperation on Biodiversity	Open Session	Myanmar (GB Chair)	GIZ (Co-Chair)
2	10.30 – 17.00	25 th Meeting of ACB GB	Closed Session	Myanmar (GB Chair)	Indonesia (Vice-Chair)
3	09.00 – 12.00	Consultation Meeting on Draft ASEAN Joint Statement on Climate Change (parallel) (if necessary)	Closed Session (parallel meeting)	Indonesia (AJSCC Lead)	Malaysia (AWGCC Chair)
-	19.00	Dinner (TBC)	Delegates of GB ACB		
Tue 1 Aug 2023					
4	09.00 – 09.30	Opening Ceremony of the 34 th ASOEN	Open Session		
5	09.30 – 17.00	34 th Meeting of ASOEN	Closed Session	Myanmar ¹ (ASOEN Chair (Outgoing))	Indonesia (Vice-Chair)
-	19.00	Gala Dinner	Delegates of all meetings (AMS & Partners)		
Wed 2 Aug 2023					
6	09.00 – 10.30	17 th ASEAN-Japan Dialogue on Environmental Cooperation	AMS + Japan	Thailand ² (Co-Chair)	Japan (Co-Chair)
7	11.00 – 12.30	3 rd ASEAN-ROK Dialogue on Environment and Climate Change	AMS + ROK	Viet Nam ³ (Co-Chair)	ROK (Co-Chair)
8	14.00 – 15.30	5 th ASEAN-EU High Level Dialogue on Environment and Climate Change (HLD)	AMS + EU	Philippines ⁴ (Co-Chair)	EU (Co-Chair)
Thu 3 Aug 2023					
9	09.00 – 10.30	2 nd ASEAN-US High Level Dialogue on Environment & Climate Change	AMS + US	Indonesia ⁵ (Co-Chair)	United States (Co-Chair)
10	11.00 – 12.30	20 th ASEAN Plus Three SOME	AMS + China, Japan, ROK	Philippines ⁶ (ASOEN Chair (Incoming))	-
Fri 4 Aug 2023					
11	09.00 – 13.30	Excursion to Bogor Botanical Garden	Delegates of all meetings (AMS & Partners)		

¹ In view of ending tenure, ASOEN Chairmanship will be handed over from Myanmar to Philippines at the end of the 34th ASOEN Meeting

² Country Coordinator for ASEAN-Japan Dialogue Relations (2021-2024)
<https://asean.org/asean/external-relations/asean-dialogue-coordinatorship/>

³ Country Coordinator for ASEAN-ROK Dialogue Relations (2021-2024)

⁴ Country Coordinator for ASEAN-EU Dialogue Relations (2021-2024)

⁵ ASEAN-US Country Coordinator (2021-2024)

⁶ Incoming ASOEN Chair