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- Mekong Institute, together with the Thailand Convention and Exhibition Bureau (TCEB), held the Mekong Forum 2022 under the theme “Accelerating Post COVID-19 Recovery and Building Resilience in the Greater Mekong Subregion” on October 19, 2022 at Pullman Hotel in Khon Kaen.
- The event brought together 200 onsite participants and over 100 online.
- The forum oriented the attendees on the importance of increasing long-term resilience to revitalize GMS economies in the post COVID-19 world with six parallel thematic workshops. [Read more.](#)
- Download speaker profile, please click [here.](#)
- Download PPT and watch the recordings, please click [here.](#)
- For event photos, please click [here.](#)



ASEAN-CRN Embarks on Defining Net Zero and Low Carbon Emission Pathways



- Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, MI Executive Director, and MI team participated in ASEAN Climate Resilience Network (ASEAN-CRN) activity in Bali, Indonesia from September 27-29, 2022.

- Under the theme “Transformation to Low Emissions and Resilient Agrifood System: A Knowledge Exchange Event and Climate Policy Negotiations Training”, the event aimed to strengthen the knowledge on net zero and low carbon emission concepts for the agriculture and the COP27.

- The activity was organized by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH with the collaboration from the FAO-Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (FAO-ROAP), the Enhanced Regional EU-ASEAN Dialogue Instrument (E-READI), and MI. [Read more.](#)



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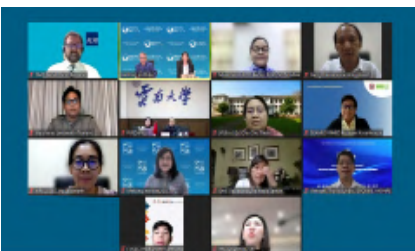


- With the support from the Republic of Korea (RoK)’s Ministry of Science and ICT, MI joined our partners in launching the First National Stakeholder Consultative Forums in Viet Nam, Cambodia, and Lao PDR.

- The consultative forums, which were part of a five-year project called “Triangular Cooperation on Sustainable Development in the Lower Mekong Basin based on the Water-Energy-Food (WEF) Nexus, had the aims to inspect a potential pilot site in each country and discuss implementation structures with key stakeholders.

- The forums were held in Viet Nam on September 22-23, 2022, in Cambodia on October 20-21, 2022, and in Lao PDR on October 25-26, 2022. [Read more.](#)

1st GMS Knowledge Network Steering Committee Meeting Kicks Off



- On October 21, 2022, Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, MI Executive Director, together with Ms. Maria Theresa Medialdia, the Director of Agricultural Development and Commercialization Department, and a senior MI staff, attended “The 1st Meeting of the GMS Knowledge Network Steering Committee (GMSKN SC)”.

- The meeting, which was attended by representatives from P.R. China, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand, and Viet Nam, discussed the thematic priorities and roles for the work of GMSKN.

- It was hosted by GMS Secretariat and MI. [Read more.](#)

MI Recognizes Youth as Catalysts for Change and Sustainable Development



- Ms. Jian Wang, MI’s Program Manager of Sustainable Energy and Environment Department, was one of panelists on Youth’s Role in ASEAN Development’s Panel Discussion in the ASEAN Youth Conference (AYC) 2022.

- To raise awareness on youth empowerment for the better future self-development, the conference was hosted in Phnom Penh, Cambodia on October 7, 2022.

- [Read more.](#)



MI Organizes a 2022 Staff Retreat in Phuket



- To inform about the MI 2023 workplan and build team spirit and communication, 37 MI staff attended a 2022 Staff Retreat in Phuket, Thailand. [Read more.](#)



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

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NOVEMBER

Regional Training Program on HACCP Essentials for Small and Medium Enterprises in the Food Sector

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NOVEMBER

Coordinating Agencies' Consultative Meeting 2/2022

14-25

NOVEMBER

Regional Training Program on Food Safety Risk Communication

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NOVEMBER

MI Annual Performance Review 2022 and Proposed MI Annual Work Plan 2023

21-25

NOVEMBER

Online Regional Training on Smart Renewable Energy Technologies for Agricultural Supply Chains in the Mekong Region

28 - 9 DEC

NOVEMBER

Regional Training Program on Preservation and Packaging for Safer Food



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