

"Mekong Forum 2011"

: From the Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS) to the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC): Prospects for Human Resource Development and Capacity Building in Regional Cooperation and Integration

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| Venue: Khon Kaen, Thailand | | |
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Mekong Institute will launch the Mekong Forum with the theme "From GMS to AEC 2015: Prospects for Human Resource Development and Capacity Building in Regional Cooperation and Integration" on 12-13 July 2011 in Khon Kaen, Thailand. As the GMS prepares its new Strategic Framework for 2012-2022, the Forum will be a timely occasion to address the issues of synergies and complementarities of various regional human resource development initiatives. The Forum will bring together regional HRD and capacity building service providers in the GMS and will serve as a platform for the participants to:

- share success stories, lessons and innovative ideas in HRD that enhance regional cooperation and integration
- be updated on the latest developments in the AEC/IAI and identify areas of collaboration that will synergize HRD/capacity building initiatives along the AEC regional integration and cooperation framework;
- enhance relationships, explore complementarities and partnership potentials to strengthen efficient use of resources and positive impacts of capacity development initiatives;
- showcase their organization's programs and services.

The Forum will focus on HRD issues around "creating a single market and production base," particularly in relation to facilitating the free flow of goods and services, capital and investment, human resources/labour. These topics will be taken up in plenary and parallel sessions. An "interactive gallery" setting will be provided for participating organizations to know each other's programs and exchange experiences.

 $Further information, please visit: http://www.mekonginstitute.org/index.php?option=com_wrapper\&view=wrapper.\\$

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The Mekong Forum, with the theme of "From the Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS) to the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC): Prospects for Human Resource Development and Capacity Building in Regional Cooperation and Integration," was held in Khon Kaen, Thailand on 12-13 July. The Forum provided a unique opportunity to bring together senior government officials, academics and researchers, civil societies, private sector practioners and other capacity building professionals from throughout the Sub- region and beyond. Seventy one delegates participated in the Forum, which was organized by The Mekong Institute and sponsored by the New Zealand Aid Program.

Recognizing that the demand on the GMS countries for integration into ASEAN is occurring at an accelerated pace, the Forum focused on how regional networks and partnerships can help prepare the GMS countries for integration and assist in narrowing development gaps in Cambodia, Lao PRD, Myanmar and Vietnam (CLMV).

Experts from within, and outside the region, shared their views on the implications for regional cooperation and integration. Distinguished speakers included: Dr. Narongchai Akrasanee, Chairman of the Board, MFC Asset Management Plc. Thailand; Ambassador Pradap Pibulsonggram, Thai Representative High Level Task Force On ASEAN Connectivity, Dr. Lothar Mahnke, Managing Director, Regionomica Asia Pte. Ltd and Dr. Suchat Katima, Director, Mekong Institute.