

## Event Objectives

- To exchange ideas for a better understanding of the GDI
- To explore the strategies, interventions, and approaches of synergizing the GDI and LMC Action Plans to leverage sustainable development
- To build partnerships and seek further collaboration across governments and multi-sectoral groups for sustainable development

## Target Participants

The target participants are government officials, representatives of international organizations, academia, businesses, and NGOs who are involved in the sustainable development field in the Lancang-Mekong Region.

## Tentative Agenda

Time	Event
08:30 – 09:00	<b>Registration</b>
09:00 – 09:10	<b>Welcome Remarks</b> Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, Executive Director, Mekong Institute (MI)
09:10 – 09:20	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Mr. Ke Yousheng, Permanent Representative of P. R. China to UNESCAP and MI Steering Committee Member for P. R. China
09:20 – 09:35	<b>Keynote Speech: Global Development Initiative (GDI)</b> Dr. Changwen Zhao, President of Center for International Knowledge on Development (CIKD)
09:35 – 10:40	<b>Panel Discussion I: Synergizing GDI Implementation and Lancang-Mekong Cooperation (Q&amp;A)</b> Dr. Chheang Vannarith, President of Asian Vision Institute (AVI) Dr. Taidong Zhou, Director of Division of General Affairs, CIKD Dr. Rong Ying, Director of Global Center for Mekong Studies (GCMS) China Center, Vice President and Senior Research Fellow at China Institute of International Studies (CIIS)
10:40 – 10:50	<b>Group Photo and Break</b>

**10:50 – 11:40 Panel Discussion II: Regional Collaboration Partnership  
(Q&A)**

Dr. Bao Zhipeng, Assistant Research Fellow at Department for Asia Pacific Studies,  
CIIS

Dr. Htunn Naung, Deputy Director of International Organizations and Economic  
Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ms. Lany Saivongvanh, Officer of Product Development Division, Department of  
Trade Promotion, Ministry of Industry and Commerce

**11:40 – 12:00 Way Forward and Closing Remarks**

Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn

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