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THE 6TH LANCANG-MEKONG BUSINESS FORUM UNVEILS AGRIBUSINESS AND PROCESSED FOOD INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Continuing its commitment to explore synergies and open up investment avenues for the key players of the agribusiness and processed food sectors in the Lancang-Mekong (LM) countries, Mekong Institute (MI), in collaboration with the Foreign Economic Cooperation Center (FECC) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA), P. R. China, and the China-ASEAN Business Center (CABC), hosted the 6th Lancang-Mekong Business Forum (LMBF) on January 10-11, 2024, in Beijing.

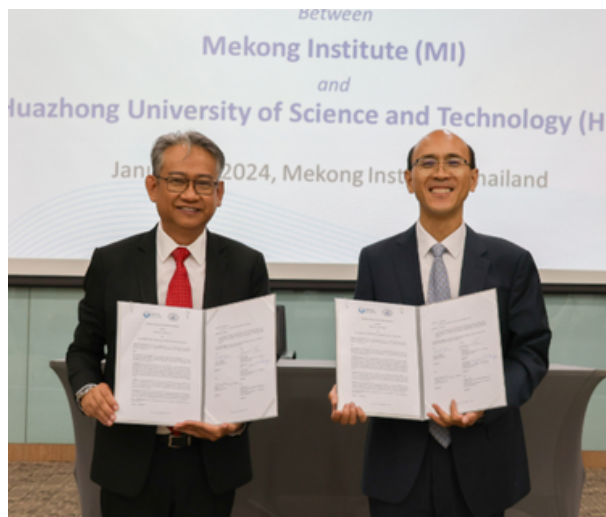
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THAILAND'S MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND MI FORGE HISTORIC PARTNERSHIP TO ADVANCE ACMECS REGIONAL COOPERATION

Today, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand (MFA Thailand), representing the Ayeyawady - Chao Phraya - Mekong Economic Strategy (ACMECS) member countries, joined hands with the Mekong Institute (MI) to formalize a landmark partnership aimed at advancing regional cooperation and integration for sustainable development within the ACMECS framework.

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MI AND HUAZHONG UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SIGN AN MOU

Mekong Institute (MI) Executive Director, Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn and Huazhong University of Science and Technology (HUST)'s Dean of Law, Prof. Xigen Wang, signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to cooperate in academic and people-to-people exchange. The agreement opens the way for a broader and deeper engagement in pooling both parties' expertise and best practices to implement joint activities such as study visits, training workshops, and internship program.

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MI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BIDS FAREWELL TO MI COUNCIL MEMBER FROM THAILAND

Mekong Institute (MI) Executive Director, Mr. Suriyan Vichitlekarn, bid farewell to Mrs. Ureerat Chareontoh, former Director-General of the Thailand International Cooperation Agency (TICA), expressing his gratitude for her dedicated service as MI Council member while extending his best wishes as she assumes the post of Ambassador of Thailand to Singapore.

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY 2024

- **February 19-23, 2024:** Regional Training on Climate - Smart Technologies in Processing, Marketing and Distribution
- **February 22-23, 2024:** The Intervention Package 4 Workshop on Enhancing Value Chains and Regional Trade of CGIAR-ASEAN project.

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