



Logistics and Transport Conference to Exchange Best Practices on Regulations and Experiences In ASEAN Region

Ha Noi, Viet Nam, 10-11 December 2014

Theme: *Enhancing ASEAN competitiveness by improving the logistics services sector, making it easier, cheaper and faster to conduct trade in goods and services across borders'.*

Objectives:

1. Better understanding of ASEAN Member States' policy makers of the best practices regulations and experiences in the logistics and transport services sector.
2. Lead to a better approach and action plan in the review of rules and regulations of logistics and transport service sectors for future AMS commitments.

Outputs:

1. Provision of a list of best practice regulations and experiences by AMS in the logistics and transport sectors.
2. Recommended plan of action in the review of rules and regulations for logistics and transport service sectors.

Conference Priority Topics:

Session 1: *Institutional strengthening – the importance of open and competitive cross-border trade*

- The Importance of supply chain connectivity to ASEAN trade performance and regional integration
- The extent of liberalisation of logistics services and the regulatory impediments to supply chain connectivity
- Logistics services trade issues and reform in participating ASEAN economies
- Progress with the implementation of the ASEAN connectivity master plan

Session 2: *Determining good and best logistics and transport regulatory practice*

- Case Study1: Towards regulatory best practice in facilitating trade and investment in logistics and transport services
- Case Study 2: Logistics and transport services in free trade negotiations
- Approaches to reducing impediments, facilitating trade and improving supply chain connectivity
- Group Exercise: Developing policy options for promoting delivery of efficient logistics services to facilitate trade

Session 3: *ASEAN regulatory reform – conference outcome and conclusions*

- Improving supply chain connectivity through liberalisation; policy options and approaches
 - Summary issues, agreed outcomes on regulatory reform and pathway forward
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DAY 1 – Wednesday, 10 December 2014

Time	Topic	Speaker
8.30 – 9.00 am	Registration	
9.00 – 9.20am	Introduction and outline of conference program: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Conference Schedule– Program Objectives– Housekeeping	Dr. Hermione Parsons
9.20 – 9.40am	Welcome address and formal opening of the conference <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Vietnam (Welcome Address)- Philippines (Opening Remarks)	To be informed Ms. Sherielysse R. Bonifacio Assistant Secretary for Planning and Finance, Department of Transportation & Communications
Session 1		
Institutional strengthening - the importance of open and competitive cross-border trade		
9.40 – 10.40am	The Importance of supply chain connectivity to ASEAN trade performance and regional integration <p>(overview of the benefits of open and competitive logistics services and efficient supply chains to trade and economic growth)</p> Q&A sessions	Dr. Poon Thiengburanathum
10.40 – 10.55pm	<i>Morning Tea</i>	
10.55 – 11.55pm	The extent of liberalisation of logistics services and the regulatory impediments to supply chain connectivity <p>(comparative review of the extent of liberalisation of logistics services and impediments to supply chain connectivity across representative ASEAN and global economies).</p> Q&A sessions	Mr. Michael Smith
11.55 - 12.20pm	Open discussion, economy perspectives	
12.20 – 12.30pm	<i>Group Photo before Lunch Break</i>	
12.30 – 1.30pm	<i>Lunch</i>	

1.30 – 2.30pm	Logistics services trade issues and reform in participating ASEAN economies (presentation of the Final Report of Seminar and Conference on ASEAN Logistics Services). Q&A sessions	Dr. Hermione Parsons
2.30 – 3.10pm (100 minutes)	Country Presentations: - Indonesia: Challenge of Regulations in Logistics and Transport - Malaysia: <i>Reducing Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens in Malaysia Logistics Industry</i>	Mr. Zaldy Ilham Masita Dr. Mazrina Mohd Ibramsah
<i>3.15 – 3.30pm</i>	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>	
3.30 – 4.30 pm	Country Presentations: - Philippines: <i>Roadmap of the Philippines Logistics</i> - Thailand: <i>Multimodal Transport Act</i>	Mr. Erich Lingad Ms. Kamolwan Kularbwong
4.30 – 5.00 pm	Summary of Day 1	Dr. Hermione Parsons

DAY 2 – Wednesday, 10 December 2014

Time	Topic	Speaker
Session 2		
Determining good and best logistics and transport regulatory practice		
9.00 – 9.15am	Recap: Learnings from Day 1	Dr. Hermione Parsons
9.15 – 10.15am	Case Study 1: Towards regulatory best practice in facilitating trade and investment in logistics and transport services (industry case study; describing the impact of efficient transport and logistics services for competitiveness). Q&A sessions	Dr. Okan Duru
<i>10.15 – 10.30am</i>	<i>Morning Tea</i>	
10.30 – 11.00am	Case Study 2: Behavioral Economics and Finance in the Transportation Industry Underline the difference between information-knowledge (know-how) and action-knowledge (know-why). Both public and private entities should consider erroneous nature of stakeholders before establishing 'theoretically' well designed projects.	Dr. Okan Duru
11.00 – 11.30am	Presentation from Transportation and Logistics Solutions Division of NEC Corporation Japan (Exact topic to be informed)	Mr. Satoko Suzuki Ms. Akemi Yamaya

DAY 2 – Wednesday, 10 December 2014

Time	Topic	Speaker
11.30 am– 12.30pm	Approaches to reducing impediments, facilitating trade and improving supply chain connectivity. (overview of multilateral approaches for trade liberalisation and facilitation and case studies of best practice in selected ASEAN and global economies).	Mr. Michael Smith
12.30 – 1.30pm	<i>Lunch</i>	
Session 3 ASEAN regulatory reform: conference outcome and conclusions		
1.30 – 2.30pm	Improving supply chain connectivity through liberalisation; policy options and approaches (facilitated session to synthesise good/best practice and assess priority problem areas to be addressed, the nature of impacts and implementation management).	Mr. Zaldy Ilham Masita
2.30 – 3.30pm	Progress with the implementation of ASEAN Strategic Transport Plan (overview of the role in supply chain connectivity and its importance to ASEAN)	Mr. Beny Irzanto
3.30 – 3.45pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>	
3.45 – 4.45pm	Summary: Issues, agreed outcomes and pathway forward (discussions on way forward)	Dr. Hermione Parsons
4.45 – 5.00pm	Closing Address <i>Submission of Conference Participants Evaluation</i>	Viet Nam