



**JOINT MINISTERIAL STATEMENT OF
THE TENTH ASEAN PLUS THREE MINISTERIAL MEETING ON
YOUTH (10th AMMY+3)**

21 August 2026, via Videoconference

WE, the ASEAN Plus Three Ministerial Meeting on Youth, convened via video conference on 21 August 2026, for the Tenth ASEAN Plus Three Ministerial Meeting on Youth (10th AMMY+3), under the co-chairpersonship of the Philippines and Japan.

1. We **applaud** the successful convening of the Thirteenth and Fourteenth ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on Youth (13th and 14th SOMY+3), held on 29 April 2025 in Manila, Philippines, and on 20 August 2026 via videoconference, respectively.
2. We **reaffirm the significance** of the key findings outlined in the Reports of the Thirteenth and Fourteenth ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on Youth (13th SOMY+3 and 14th SOMY+3), presented by the Philippines and Japan as Co-Chairs, on the progress of ASEAN Plus Three cooperation on youth since the convening of the 9th AMMY+3 on 30 November 2024.
3. We **commend** the relevant decisions of ASEAN meetings since the 12th SOMY+3, including the outcomes of the 41st ASEAN-Japan Forum, which reaffirmed the strong commitment to further advancing the ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Strategic Partnership and deepening cooperation under

the three pillars of the Joint Vision Statement on ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation.

4. We **applaud** the successful implementation of the ASEAN Plus Three Skills Development for Youth in Sustainable Eco-Tourism and Agro-Tourism, held from 25 to 30 December 2024 in Luang Prabang, Lao PDR, and note the progress in the implementation of the ASEAN Plus Three Work Plan on Youth 2021-2025.
5. We **reaffirm** the importance of aligning future ASEAN Plus Three youth cooperation with the ASEAN Community Vision 2045, the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community Strategic Plan, and the forthcoming ASEAN Work Plan on Youth, while avoiding duplication with other ASEAN sectoral initiatives. We **underscore** the importance of collaboration with ASEAN Plus Three Countries as technical partners, co-organisers, and supporters of youth-focused initiatives, particularly in skills development in the fourth industrial revolution, climate action, leadership exchanges, and regional collaboration, and youth entrepreneurship. We **also underscore** the role of youth as partners and driving forces in ASEAN Plus Three cooperation and encourage greater participation of youth and youth organisations in the formulation, implementation, and evaluation of ASEAN Plus Three youth cooperation programmes and initiatives.
6. We **welcome** the updates from the Plus Three Countries on youth development programmes and initiatives, including “Bridge of the Future” China-ASEAN Young Leaders Field Study and Workshop Program, China-ASEAN Youth Campus, Acceleration Week for China-ASEAN Youth Development Programs and B&R Youth Development Program; Japan's Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Program (SSEAYP), JENESYS, WA Project 2.0, Sakura Science Exchange Program, NEXUS

(Networked Exchange, United Strength for Stronger Partnerships between Japan and ASEAN), ASIA KAKEHASHI Project+, and preparations for the ASEAN-Japan Peace Ambassador initiative; and the Republic of Korea's Youth Camp for ASEAN and Friends, ASEAN-Korea Youth Network Workshop, ASEAN-Korea Youth Summit, ASEAN+3 Youth Retreat, 2026 Orientation for New ASEAN Students & 2026 ASEAN Youth Career Mentorship Program. We **encourage** ASEAN Member States and the Plus Three Countries to continue sharing experiences and good practices, and to enhance coordination in the implementation of youth cooperation programmes and initiatives; while encouraging the development of new, practical, and sustainable initiatives that align with the priorities and needs of youth in the new era.

7. We **emphasise** the importance of enhancing youth exchanges, and connectivity between ASEAN Member States and the Plus Three Countries through cultural exchange programmes, youth exchanges, volunteering, young officer exchange schemes, and youth-led initiatives; and encourage expanded opportunities for youth to share experiences, build networks, and jointly address common regional challenges, thereby enhancing mutual understanding, friendship, and cooperation among young generation.
8. We **welcome** Singapore and the Republic of Korea as the incoming Co-Chairs of the 11th AMMY+3 in 2028. We **express** our sincere appreciation to the Philippines and Japan for their co-chairpersonship and arrangements for the 10th AMMY+3, and to ASEAN Member States, the Plus Three Countries, and the ASEAN Secretariat for their continued commitment to advancing ASEAN Plus Three cooperation on youth.
