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GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE ON REGIONAL COOPERATION IN
QUALITY ASSURANCE
ASEAN QA DEVELOPMENT**

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Points

- ASEAN Context
- Status of quality assurance in ASEAN Member States
- Cooperation in QA in your region organized
 - EU SHARE Project (in progress)
- Key challenges in regional cooperation in QA



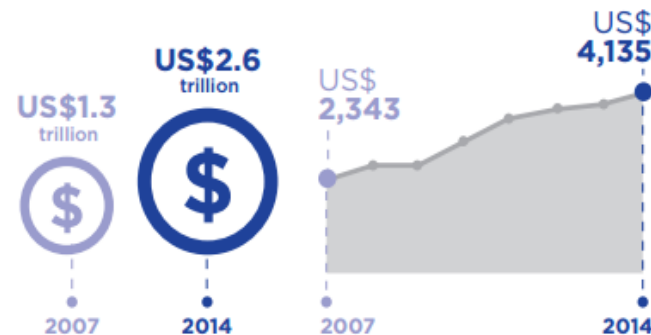
ASEAN Facts

1967 formation of ASEAN-10 nations
 644 million+ (2017)
 Open trading policy
 Trading dialogue partners+2, +3, + 6

ASEAN Economy

GDP

GDP per Capita



In 2014, ASEAN economy was

the **7th** largest in the world & the **3rd** largest in Asia



Source : ASEAN Secretariat

ASEAN Population

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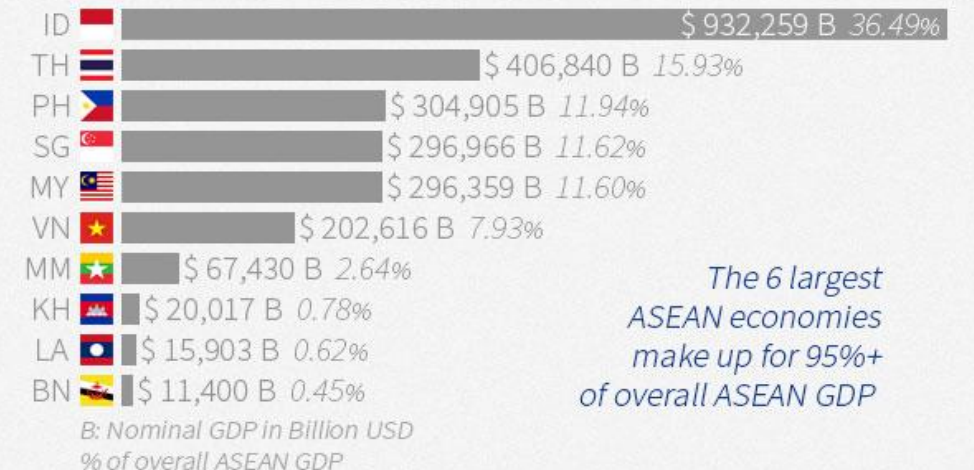
3rd largest in the world



Over half of ASEAN population were **below 30 years of age** in 2014, as compared to 39% of East Asian and 34% of European.

Source : ASEAN Secretariat; UN Population Division - World Population Prospect, 2015 Rev

The ASEAN ECONOMIES



2016 data

Source:
World Bank data 2016

ASEAN ^{up}
Empowering business
in Southeast Asia

‘people oriented and people centered’



ASEAN
Economic
Community

ASEAN Political and Security
Community

ASEAN Social and Cultural
Community

- ❑ Free flow of capital/investment
- ❑ Free flow of goods & services
- ❑ Free flow of information & knowledge
- ❑ **Free flow of people**

ASEAN WORK PLAN ON EDUCATION 2016-2020



SUB-GOAL 6: Strengthen the higher education sector through the implementation of **robust quality assurance mechanisms**

PRIORITY AREA 6.1: Developing **harmonised quality assurance mechanisms** within the context of ASEAN

PRIORITY AREA 6.2: Supporting institutional capacity in developing harmonised quality assurance mechanisms within the context of **ASEAN-Promoting alignment to AQAF**

Quality assurance systems (same-same but different)



Brunei DNAC 2000



Indonesia BAN PT-NAAHE 1994

Accreditation Council Cambodia 2003



Quality Assurance Centre (Lao PDR) 2008

**Malaysian Qualifications Agency
(1997/2007)**

**National Accreditation and Quality
Assurance Committee, Myanmar (2017)**



**Commission of Higher Education-
(Philippines) 5 Private Accrediting bodies**

**Office of National Evaluation and Quality
Assessment (Thailand) 2000**



MOE (Singapore)

**GDETA- 4 Centre of Academic
Accreditation-Vietnam 2015**

- **National education policies and systems**
 - **Mandate**
 - **Establishment**
 - **Experience**
 - **Resources**
- **Quality assurance, accreditation and /or recognition**
- **Increase focus on IQA**
 - **Stakeholders**
 - **Reforms**
 - **Bilateral**
 - **Changing roles**
- **National qualifications frameworks - new challenges**



ASEAN agencies supporting development of QA and HE Common Area in ASEAN member States

Southeast Asia Meeting of
Education & Institute Research in
HE

ASEAN Social and Cultural
Community Pillar- e.g.
Ministers of Education

ASEAN Qualifications
Reference Framework impacts
on degree structures and
NQFs

ASEAN Quality Assurance
Network 2008/ entity 2016
Capacity and development of
regional framework for quality
assurance (AQAF)

Asia International Student
Mobility Programme

ASEAN University Network

Credit Transfer System –
several systems

ASEAN Secretariat (ASCC
pillar)

ASEAN regional
frameworks
For national development
and global engagement

ASEAN QUALIFICATIONS ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK (2015)



Developed by



Principled - based and voluntary

Developmental-oriented, voluntary & aspirational to address diversity

Surveyed national QA, benchmarked against other regional frameworks

Supports improving of quality learning, higher education and training qualification, talent development, recognition and harmonisation

Supports ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework & national frameworks

AQAF Principles

1. **EQAA**-includes such matters such as mandate, establishment, governance, responsibilities, independence, resources, relationship with stakeholders & information accessibility

2. **EQAA standards and Processes**- includes such matters as standards & processes must be comparable to international good practices , assessors, related to internal quality assurance of HEIs (Principle 3)

3. **IQA** includes such matters such as to institution's primary responsibility for quality, a cooperative process, a functional IQA system, formal mechanisms for approval, periodic review and monitoring – IQA covers programmes, management, services and researches

4. **National Qualifications Framework** includes matters such as objectives, levels & learning outcomes credit system, learner centered, supports progressive nature of learning /training for learners & pathways, & quality assurance system.



**ASEAN - EU relationship began
1980**

40th years anniversary

Trading Partners

EU SHARE Project 2015-2019

- **Regional and national Policy Dialogues**

- **ASEAN Qualification Reference Framework-NQFs**
- **ASEAN Regional Quality Assurance-national EQAs/IQAs**
- **ASEAN Credit Transfer System**
- **Student Mobility with scholarship scheme.**
- **Launching of EU SHARE Project 4th Policy Dialogue - Quality Assurance**



EUROPEAN UNION SUPPORT TO HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE ASEAN REGION

SHARE's main objective is to strengthen regional cooperation, enhance the quality, competitiveness and internationalisation of ASEAN higher education systems, institutions and students, thereby contributing to the evolving ASEAN Community.

SHARE enhances cooperation between the EU and ASEAN and creates lasting benefits from the harmonisation of higher education across ASEAN.

6 KEY OBJECTIVES OF SHARE

- Support ASEAN in building a stronger, more effective regional higher education area with an Erasmus-like scholarship scheme at its core and with robust regional frameworks for quality assurance and recognition of qualifications, as well as a credit transfer system.
- Narrow the development gap in ASEAN with Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and Vietnam (CLMV).
- Draw on European experience: Bologna Process, European Higher Education Area, Erasmus, and ECTS.
- Serve as platform to connect policy-university-students in regional higher education.
- Contribute to further development and competitiveness of ASEAN, its 10 Member States and its 650 million citizens.
- Support strengthening of ASEAN identity among future graduates through regional mobility.

SHARE BASICS

- SHARE was formulated jointly by EU and ASEAN
- EU Grant Contract, co-funded by British Council
- Value EUR 10 million
- 4 year initiative from Jan 2015 to Jan 2019
- Base of operations is Jakarta, Indonesia. SHARE maintains a Programme Management Office in the ASEAN Secretariat



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ASEAN
MEMBER
STATES

BRITISH COUNCIL
(United Kingdom)
responsible for
General Coordination
and Policy Dialogue

DAAD
(Germany)

EUA
European University Association

ENQA
(Belgium)
responsible for
Qualifications
Frameworks, and
Quality Assurance

SHARE
IS IMPLEMENTED
BY A CONSORTIUM
OF EUROPEAN
INTERNATIONAL
EDUCATION AGENCIES

CAMPUS FRANCE
(France)
responsible for
Credit Transfer
System

Nuffic
(Netherlands)
responsible for
Student Mobility

All of SHARE's
work is designed
to contribute
to ASEAN as main
beneficiary
and partner.

Initiatives: EU SHARE Project on Quality Assurance 2015-2019

Policy dialogues

- Regional and National systems / government-National strategic plans for development
- Launching and Piloting ASEAN Quality Assurance Framework

National QA seminars/workshop

- Tailored to national needs-variety of topics
- Collaborations :EU & ASEAN experts (ENQA/EUA/AQAN/AUN) and practices
- Concurrently trained ASEAN assessors / increased Stakeholders involvement

Guidelines for agency reviews and institutional review jointly developed by experts

AQAF dissemination and pilot project under EU SHARE

- 7 national QA workshop
- 4 agencies BAN-PT, MQA, ONESQA and PAASCU (Principle 1 &2 (2017-2018)-site visits joint panel
- 11 Institutional assessments (8 countries) (Principle 3- IQA) (2017-2018)
- Consultancy/advisory approach to other countries

Perspective: Regional frameworks & some key lessons learned so far.....

- ✓ Capacity building and bilateral collaborations
- ✓ Timely development of AQAF, AQRF, KL Declaration for ASEAN HE harmonisation in 2015 and EU SHARE project
- ✓ Regional frameworks influences national reforms
- ✓ Importance of National and Regional policies dialogues
- ✓ Appreciate each national story, diversity & challenges
- ✓ Sharing practices and acknowledging the differences

Perspective: Key Lessons learned so far.....

- ✓ The usefulness of using Principles-based approach
- ✓ Designed workshops for key players and practitioners together- shared ownership of the development
- ✓ Strengthens QA networks and role in intra and inter-regional dimensions
- ✓ Within each of the national roadmaps lies the ASEAN's aspiration and goals and vice versa.
- ✓ Postmortem of the project –monitors developments, issues and ASEAN future initiatives

Terima kasih,
Thank you



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