CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND SEMINARS

I  Eleventh Annual Conference of the Federation of ASEAN Economic Associations

The theme of this conference, held in Bangkok, 27–29 November 1986, was “Barriers to ASEAN Market Access to the United States, Japan, and the EEC”. The Conference proceedings were structured into five sessions as follows:

SESSION I:
Chairman: Dr Lim Chong Yah
President, Economic Society of Singapore

Paper 1: “Overview of Trade Barriers in the World Economy”
Speaker: Dr James Nininger
President of the Conference Board in Canada

Speaker: Dr Djuhari Wirakartakusumah
Demographic Institute, Indonesia

SESSION II
Chairman: Dr Emmanuel T. Velasco
President, Philippines Economic Society

Speaker: Professor Mohamed Ariff
University of Malaya

Paper 4: “The EEC View of Barriers to ASEAN Market Access”
Speaker: Dr Endymion Wilkinson
Acting Head of EEC Delegation for Southeast Asia

SESSION III
Chairman: Datuk Dr Mokhzani A. Rahim
President, Malaysian Economic Association

Paper 5: “Trade Barriers from the United States, Japan and EEC: The Philippine Case”
Speaker: Dr Carolina S. Guina
National Economic and Development Authority of the Philippines

Paper 6: “Trade Disruptive Measures Against Thai Exports”
Speaker: Dr Bienvenido Rola
ESCAP/UNCTC Joint Unit on TNCs

Discussant: Dr Somsak Tambunlertchai
Thammasat University

Discussant: Dr Edita Tan
University of the Philippines

Discussant: Dr Surakiart Sathirathai
Chulalongkorn University

Discussant: Dr Hank Lim
National University of Singapore
**SESSION IV**

Chairman: Professor Hendra Esmara
President, Indonesia Economic Association

Paper 7: “Barriers to ASEAN Market Access: The U.S. View”
Speaker: Mr Andrew Wechsler
U.S. International Trade Commission

Discussant: Dr Virachai Techavichit
ASEAN-U.S. Business Council

Paper 8: “The Japanese Barriers of ASEAN Trade: A View from the Inside”
Speaker: Mr Fumihiko Adachi
Nanzan University

Discussant: Dr Octay Yenal
World Bank

Paper 9: “Singapore’s Exports to the United States, Japan, and the EEC: A Study on Trade Barriers”
Speaker: Dr Koh Ai Tee
National University of Singapore

Discussant: Dr Hans Christoph Rieger
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

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**SESSION V**

Chairman: Dr Medhi Krongkaew
President, Economic Society of Thailand

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**II Western Europe and Southeast Asia: The Political and Economic Relationship**

This international conference, jointly organized by the Institute of European Studies, Rome and the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapor, was held on 11–13 December 1986 at the Palazzo Barberini, Rome.

The conference was organized into five sessions:

**SESSION 1:** Global Security, Regional Decision-making, and Systems of Alliances

Chairman: Edoardo Martino (Italy)
Lau Teik Soon (Singapore)
“Current Problems and Prospects in Southeast Asia”

Franco A. Casadio (Italy)
“Western European Security and the Role of NATO”

Philippe Augier (NATO)
“Geo-Strategic Implications of the Allocation of Soviet SS-20 Missiles between Europe and Asia”

**SESSION 2:** EC-ASEAN Interdependence in a Global Perspective

Chairman: Kernial S. Sandhu (Singapore)
Phan Wannamethee (Thailand)
“The Importance of the E.C. for Southeast Asia”

Vincenzo Tornetta (Italy)
“The Importance of ASEAN for Western Europe”

Elfriede Regelsberger (FRG)
“The Relations with ASEAN as a Model of a European Foreign Policy”

Djisman Simandjuntak (Indonesia)
“The EC-ASEAN Relationship: Political and Economic Issues”

**SESSION 3:** EC-ASEAN: Major Opportunities for Economic Co-operation

Chairman: Hans Christoph Rieger (FRG)
Andreas Lukas (FRG)
“EC-ASEAN in the Context of Interregional Co-operation”

Rolando Valiani (Italy)
“EC-ASEAN Economic Cooperation: Perspectives and Problems”
Juanjai Ajanant (Thailand): “Trade, Industrial Co-operation and Financial Markets: An ASEAN View”

Rolf Langhammer (FRG): “The Link between Trade and Investment in ASEAN Countries: Lessons for E.C. Suppliers and Policymakers”

Ezio Sottile (Italy): “The Role of Countertrade in the Context of E.C.-ASEAN Relations”

Florian Alburo (Philippines): “Science and Technology and Related Areas”

**SESSION 4:** Current Economic Trends and their Implications for E.C. and ASEAN External Relations

Chairman: Bruno Fritsch (Switzerland)
Kamal Salih (Malaysia): “ASEAN Relations with Japan”
Noboru Hamaguchi (Japan): “The Japanese Economy and its Relation with ASEAN”
Edward K.Y. Chen (Hong Kong): “E.C.-China and ASEAN-China Relations in the Light of Current Economic Trends”
Giorgio Melis (Italy): “E.C. Relations with China”
Ray S. Cline (USA): “ASEAN Relations with China”

**SESSION 5:** E.C.-ASEAN Interaction and Collaboration in a Multilateral Framework

Chairman: Giovanni Zaccaria (Italy)
Kusuma Smitwongse (Thailand): “The Political Aspects”
Andree Martin-Pannetier (France): “The Political and Security Aspects”
Mohamed Ariff (Malaysia): “The Economic Aspects”

There was also a panel presentation on the topic, “Business Strategies and Investment Climate in ASEAN”.

Chairman: Kernial S. Sandhu

**III ASEAN: The Tasks Ahead**

The Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) has made progress in economic cooperation. However, it was felt that the twentieth anniversary of the founding of the Association and the forthcoming ASEAN Summit of Heads of Government, provided an excellent opportunity to critically review this progress as well as consider the tasks ahead, especially with regard to ASEAN economic integration in terms of ways and means that could most effectively facilitate a greater flow of goods and services, human resources, and investment in the region, and between the region, and the rest of the world.

Accordingly, the ASEAN Economic Research Unit (AERU) of the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS) organized a “Colloquium on ASEAN Economic Co-operation: The Tasks Ahead” with the objective of bringing the knowledge and experience of the regional and international economic scholarly community to bear on the opportunities and problems ahead for ASEAN, particularly with regard to trade and investment and the associated issues. This narrow focus was deliberately decided upon following consultations with decision-makers in the region as to areas requiring most attention in terms of ASEAN economic co-operation and integration.

The Colloquium was held in Singapore on 27-28 February 1987. It stimulated considerable discussion, and a number of specific suggestions and proposals emerged. These will require further study and refinement. In the meantime they are submitted to relevant ASEAN Committees and Officials to stimulate discussion and action as appropriate and desirable.