CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND SEMINARS

I. Marketization Dissemination Seminar
Kuala Lumpur and Jakarta

The main purpose of these seminars was to disseminate and discuss the outcome of the project Privatization and Marketization of Public Enterprises in ASEAN undertaken by the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), Singapore. The main objectives of the project were (1) to analyse and compare the progress of privatization and deregulation among the ASEAN countries; (2) to investigate how public enterprises can be made more efficient, and (3) to examine the various privatization and deregulation policies and their implications for capital market and industrial relations. The seminar was organized by ISEAS jointly with the Centre for Strategic and International Studies on 1 December 1990 in Jakarta, and with the University of Kebangsaan (Malaysia) on 3 December 1990. The programmes of the seminars were as follows:

JAKARTA

Session I  Process of Deregulation and Privatization in the ASEAN Region
Overview
Dr Ng Chee Yuen
ISEAS
Singapore

The Indonesian Experience
Dr Djisman Simandjuntak
CSIS
Jakarta

Chairman
Dr Hadi Soesastro
CSIS
Jakarta

Session II  The Role of the State
Presented by Dr Toh Kin Woon
Faculty of Economics
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia
Kuala Lumpur

Discussant: Dr Syahrir
Yayasan Padi dan Kapas
Indonesia

Chairman: Dr Suhadi Mangkusuwondo
Faculty of Economics
University of Indonesia

Panel Discussion on Deregulation, Privatization and Marketization
Dr Ian Thynne
Faculty of Law
National University of Singapore

Dr Fuad Bawazir
Department of Finance
Indonesia
Dr Jacques Pelkmans  
European Institute of Public Administration  
Maastricht, The Netherlands

Chairman: Prof M Sadli  
Faculty of Economics  
University of Indonesia

**General Discussion**

**KUALA LUMPUR**

**Opening remarks**  
Director of ISEAS and the Vice-Chancellor, UKM

**An Overview of Privatization in Southeast Asia**  
Dr Ng Chee Yuen  
ISEAS  
Singapore

**Public Enterprise Transformation: Changing Patterns of Ownership and Control**  
Dr Ian Thynne  
Faculty of Law  
National University of Singapore.

**Privatization in Malaysia: Problems and Prospects**  
Dr Ismail Muhd Salleh  
Deputy Director, ISIS  
Kuala Lumpur

**Panel Discussion**  
**Chairman**  
Dr Stephen Chee  
Professor  
Faculty of Economics and Administration  
University of Malaya

**Panelists**  
Dr Mari Pangestu  
CSIS  
Jakarta, Indonesia

Dr Jacques Pelkmans  
Formerly of the European Institute of Public Administration now of Euroscope

Dr Jomo K.S.  
Associate Professor  
University of Malaya

Dr Pang Teck Wai  
Senior Fellow  
Institute of Development Studies  
Sabah

**Discussion and Closing**

**II. Second Southeast Asia Roundtable on Economic Development: Revitalising Rural Southeast Asia—Problems, Pitfalls and Prospects**

This meeting, organized by the Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS), Malaysia, was held from 18–19 December 1990 in Kuala Lumpur. The following aspects of rural development were examined in the meeting:

1. An overview of dimensions and performance.
2. Experience of the Southeast Asian economies in alleviating rural poverty and ensuring rural development.
3. Rural industrialization in the Southeast Asian economies.
4. Managing rural development institutions in the Southeast Asian economies.
5. Rural development into the 21st century.

The programme of the meeting was as follows:

**18 December 1990**

Welcoming address by YBhg Tan Sri Zainal Abidin Sulong, Chairman, ISIS Malaysia

**Session I  Revitalising Rural Southeast Asia: An Overview of Dimensions and Performance**
Chairman
YBhg Tan Sri Zainal Abidin Sulong

Presenter
Dr A H M Nuruddin Chowdhury
Senior Economist
Economics and Resource Center
Asian Development Bank

Session II  Experience of the Southeast Asian Economies in Alleviating Rural Poverty and Ensuring Rural Development: Problems, Pitfalls and Prospects

The Malaysian experience with special emphasis on the self-reliance programme
Presenter
Mr Harun Hashim
Director, Distribution Section, Economic Planning Unit
Prime Minister’s Department
Kuala Lumpur

The Indonesian experience with special emphasis on the transmigration programme
Presenter
Dr Gunawan Sumodiningrat
Head, Bureau of Economic Analysis and Statistics
BAPPENAS
Jakarta

The Thai experience with special emphasis on the terms of trade between rural and urban sectors
Presenter
Dr Suthad Setboonsang
TDRI
Bangkok

The Filipino experience with special emphasis on agrarian reforms
Presenter
Mr Jose C Medina, Jr
Undersecretary
Department of Agrarian Reform
Philippines

The Myanmar experience
Presenter
Dr Mya Than
Research Fellow
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies
Singapore

Session III  Rural Industrialisation in the Southeast Asian Economies: Problems, Pitfalls and Prospects

The Malaysian experience
Presenter
Mr Wan Ibrahim Wan Daud
Undersecretary
Agricultural Economics Division
Ministry of Agriculture
Kuala Lumpur

The Filipino experience with special emphasis on linkages to other sectors
Presenter
Dr Melito S Salazar, Jr
Director
Institute for Small-scale Industries
University of the Philippines

The Vietnamese experience
Presenter
Dr Nguyen Van Hung
Director
Department of International Relations
Hanoi University
Vietnam

Session IV  Managing Rural Development Institutions in the Southeast Asian Economies: Problems, Pitfalls and Prospects

Integrated Agricultural Development Projects (IADPs): The Malaysian experience
Presenter
Tuan Shaik Ahmad Soekarno bin Shaik Mohd Hussain
Undersecretary
Policy and Planning Division
Ministry of Agriculture
Kuala Lumpur
Rural Cooperatives: The Indonesian experience  
Presenter  
Drs Sularso  
Director General  
BiNA Lembaga Koperasi  
Jakarta  

Rural extension programme: The Thai experience  
Presenter  
Dr Atkin Rapeeapart  
TDRI, Bangkok  

Rural development institutions: The Laotian experience  
Presenter  
Mr Singkam Phomisay  
Director  
Veterinary and Animal Rearing Department  
Ministry of Agriculture  
Vientiane  

Session V  Rural Development in the 21st Century: Problems and Prospects  
Chairman  
Dato’ Hj Zainal Abidin Bin Hj Nordin  
Secretary General  
Ministry of Land and Cooperative Development  
Malaysia  

Panel Discussion  
Closing ceremony officiated by YBhg Tan Sri Zainal Abidin Sulong  
Chairman  
ISIS  
Malaysia  

III. Energy Conservation  

This seminar was organized by the Singapore National Committee World Energy Council (SNCWEC) on 21 December 1990 in Singapore. The objectives of the seminar were (1) to explore the effective measure in energy utilization and management in various types of establishments and (2) to keep the participants abreast of the various issues on energy conservation. The following papers were presented in the seminar.  

TECHNICAL PAPERS  

Keynote speech on Energy Conservation  
Dr Jimmy Chen  
Chairman, SNCWEC  

Energy Conservation Through (1) Chiller Optimisation, and (2) Solar Energy Control  
Mr Jimmy Chua  
Honeywell  

The Use of Desuper-Heaters in Air-Conditioners  
A/Professor Bong Tet Yin  
National University of Singapore  

Energy Considerations in Clean Room Operations  
Mr Ong Yam Chai  
ESCO  

Energy Audit as a Forerunner of Energy Cost Reduction Measure at a Hotel  
Dr Jimmy Chen  
Chairman, SNCWEC  
Mr Alex Choi  
Ngee Ann Polytechnic  

Energy Conservation on Electricity Usage in Industrial Facilities  
Mr Tan Kai Heng  
Ngee Ann Polytechnic  

Energy Conservation Through Power Factor Correction  
Mr Soo Hon Choong  
Singapore Polytechnic  

Application of Building Automation Systems to Energy Conservation  
Mr Rob Moulit  
Johnson Controls  

Energy Conservation in Steam Turbines  
Lau Gar Ning  
PUB  

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IV. Monitoring the Singapore Economy

This workshop, organized by the Econometric Studies Unit (ESU), Department of Economics and Statistics, National University of Singapore, was held in Singapore on 12 February 1991. The workshop examined the various aspects of Singapore's economy and discussed ESU's 1991 forecast. The programme of the workshop was as follows:

Opening Remarks
Assoc Prof Chia Siow Yue
Ag Head
Department of Economics and Statistics

PAPERS

ESU 1991 Forecast
Toh Mun Heng
Coordinator
ESU
Discussant: Manu Bhaskaran
Senior Investment Analyst, Crosby Securities

Leading Indicators in the Singapore Economy
Lau Kak En
Deputy Chief Statistician
Department of Statistics, MTI

Cyclical Developments in 1990 and Projections for 1991
Chow Kit Boey
Senior Lecturer
Department of Business Policy
National University of Singapore

Overview and Prospects of Financial Sector
Wong Nang Jang
Executive Vice President
OCBC
Discussant: Prof Han Kang Hong
Head, Department of Economics and Statistics, Nanyang Technological Institute

Energy Trend and Oil Prices
Dr Shankar Sharma
Fellow
Institute of Southeast Asian Studies
Discussant: Francis Chan
Department of Economics and Statistics, National University of Singapore

V. Beyond Europe '92 and EC-ASEAN Relations

The effects of Europe '92 and the restructuring of European industry and European markets are very significant especially for rapidly industrializing countries such as those in ASEAN. The main purpose of the seminar was to look at these changes, from both the political and economic angles, and to analyse some of the consequences for the ASEAN countries. The seminar, held in Maastricht, The Netherlands from 8–19 October 1990, was organized by the European Institute of Public Administration under the auspices of the Commission of the EC in the framework of Human Resource Development in EC-ASEAN Cooperation. The seminar covered the following areas:

Introduction (the formation of the EC and of the ASEAN)

Institutional Aspects of EC Integration and of ASEAN Cooperation
- institutions
- decision-making processes
- institutional reforms

Europe '92: Economic Consequences
- economics of '92 and macro-economic developments
- accomplishments and implementation
- corporate reaction
- ASEAN points of view

Marketing in Europe and Consumer Behaviour
- strategic marketing planning: some issues for ASEAN
- the Euro-consumers in 1993
Industrial Structures in Europe and International Competitiveness
- traditional sector
- high-tech sector

EC-ASEAN Trade and Investment Pattern
- structures and issues
- access to the EC market
- standardization and certification

European Policies of Interest to ASEAN and Measures Accompanying EC '92
- environmental policy
- agricultural policy and tropical products
- commercial and competition policy
- economic and monetary union, liberation of capital markets and financial services

The EC and the Rest of Europe
- relations with EFTA countries
- changing relations with Eastern Europe

Developments in Eastern Europe
- economic prospects and the political situation in Eastern European countries
- the case of German unification and integration into the EC
- prospects for ASEAN;

Evolving Political and Security Structures in Europe
- political union
- security policies

VI. Future Directions for ASEAN

This conference, sponsored by the Center for Research and Communication (CRC) Manila, was organized to discuss the issues involved in the future directions for ASEAN, and was held in Manila from 26–27 November 1990. The programme of the conference was as follows:

Opening Address
Atty Enrique Esteban
President, CRC

Introduction
Dr Julius Cesar Parrenas
Senior Political Economist, CRC

Session One: ASEAN Economic Cooperation
Presentation:
Dr Lee Tsao Yuan
Deputy Director
Institute of Policy Studies

Session Two: ASEAN and Indochina
Presentation:
Gen. Saiyud Kerdphol
Former Supreme Commander
Thai Armed Forces

Session Three: Prospects for a Zone of Peace, Freedom and Neutrality (ZOPPAN) in Southeast Asia
Presentation:
Dr Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie
Former Minister of Foreign Affairs
Malaysia

Session Four: ASEAN and Asia-Pacific Security
Presentation:
Brig Gen Soedibyo
Senior Fellow
Center for Strategic and International Studies
Jakarta
Indonesia

Session Five: Future Directions for ASEAN
Summary of Presentations and Discussions
Dr Julius Caesar Parrenas

Closing Address
Hon Raul Manglapus
Secretary of Foreign Affairs
Republic of the Philippines