

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

Discussant: Dr Somsak Tambunlertchai
Thammasat University

Paper 2: “Barriers to Indonesian Access to
U.S., Japanese, and EEC Markets”

Speaker: Dr Djuhari Wirakartakusumah
Demographic Institute, Indonesia

Discussant: Dr Edita Tan
University of the Philippines

SESSION II

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

Paper 3: “Malaysian Exports and Protection-
ist Barriers in the U.S., Japanese,
and the EEC Markets”

Speaker: Professor Mohamed Ariff
University of Malaya

Discussant: Dr Hank Lim
National University of Singapore

Paper 4: “The EEC View of Barriers to
ASEAN Market Access”

Speaker: Dr Endymion Wilkinson
Acting Head of EEC Delegation for
Southeast Asia

Discussant: Dr Surakiart Sathirathai
Chulalongkorn University

SESSION III

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

Paper 5: “Trade Barriers from the United
States, Japan and EEC: The Philip-
pine Case”

Speaker: Dr Carolina S. Guina
National Economic and
Development Authority of the
Philippines

Discussant: Dr Bienvenido Rola
ESCAP/UNCTC Joint Unit on
TNCs

Paper 6: “Trade Disruptive Measures Against
Thai Exports”

Speaker: Dr Juanjai Ajanant
Chulalongkorn University

Discussant: Dr Narongchai Akrasanee
Industrial Finance Corporation
of Thailand (IFCT)

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 Yenai
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

SESSION V

Chairman: Dr Medhi Krongkaew
President, Economic Society of
Thailand

**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, Sin-

gapore, was held on 11-13 December 1986 at the
Palazzo Barberini, Rome.
The conference was organized into five sessions:

*SESSION I: 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 Opportuni-
ties 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: Perspec-
tives 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 Albuero (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 Snitwongse (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
Speakers: Juanjai Ajanant, Florian Albuero,
Kamal Salih, Tan Loong-Hoe,
Chris Walean and
Phan Wannamethee.

III ASEAN: The Tasks Ahead

The Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) has made progress in economic co-operation. 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.