

# 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

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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*

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*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

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*Rural Cooperatives: The Indonesian experience*

Presenter  
Drs Sularso  
Director General  
BINA Lembaga Koperasi  
Jakarta

*Rural extension programme: The Thai experience*

Presenter  
Dr Atkin Rapeepart  
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 Moulton  
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

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*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 Ceasar 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 South-east 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