# The 36<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting Minutes

16 July 2021

Hosted online (Zoom) by the ASEAN University Network (AUN) Secretariat and Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM)

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#### Introduction

The 36<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting was hosted on Zoom by the AUN Secretariat and UGM on 16 July 2021.

All members of the AUN-BOT were present. Observers from AUN Member Universities, the AUN Thematic Networks, and the AUN Secretariat were also present.

The full list of participants can be found as <u>Annex 1</u>.

Agenda Item 1: Welcome and Introductory Remarks

Welcoming Remarks - Prof. Ir. Panut Mulyono, M.Eng., D.Eng., IPU, ASEAN Eng., Rector of UGM

Prof. Ir. Panut Mulyono expresses his honor in hosting the AUN-BOT Meeting on behalf of Universitas Gadjah Mada, as well as the first BOT meeting held virtually due to the pandemic. He addressed the challenging time in which COVID-19 has brought in an era of "VUCA": volatility, uncertainty, complexity, and ambiguity. He notes how the pandemic has provided challenges and opportunities, with reference to a sense of urgency that sped up the adoption of telecommunication as a point of radical innovation. The relevancy of universities have also come into question as they must compete with the online resources of smaller but agile virtual institutions. Universities will have to learn to adapt to the current ways of the world in terms of the current employment needs, innovation, cross-border collaboration, and experiential learning. Prof. Panut expresses hope that discussions can transcend the traditional practices.

The full remarks can be found as Annex 2.

Opening Remarks - Prof. Sirirurg Songsivilai, M.D., PhD.; Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation (MHESI) and Chairman of the 36<sup>th</sup> AUN-BOT Meeting

Prof. Sirirurg Songsivilai expressed his pleasure for being invited to attend the AUN Board of Trustees for the first time and his honor in chairing the meeting, as well as expressing thanks to the host and board members. He addressed the effects of the pandemic on higher education in the ASEAN region, mentioning the previous work done by MHESI in Thailand and AUN's effort on strengthening the quality and capacity of ASEAN member universities in the current situation. He expresses his sincere appreciation for the role of AUN and AUN Member universities in continuing and contributing towards AUN initiatives. On this note, he officially opened the 36<sup>th</sup> AUN Board of Directors Meeting.

The full remarks can be found as Annex 3.

Honorary Remarks - H.E. Nadiem Makarim, Minister, Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology, the Republic of Indonesia

H.E. Nadiem Makarim remarked on the most severe educational disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, and emphasized that educational recovery should become a priority. He commended the AUN for its role in strengthening higher education in the ASEAN region and improving educational collaborations. He hoped the network would continue to pursue higher education development to align with global standards and build more collaborations under one vision, one identity and one community in the efforts to build a society through education.

The full remarks can be found as Annex 4.

Agenda Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda and Meeting Arrangements

The Board adopted the Meeting Agenda and Arrangements. The full Meeting Programme can be found as 2.A. AUN-BOT Meeting 2021 Programme.

# Agenda Item 3: Matters for Confirmation

# 3.1. Report of the 35<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting

#### Key points:

- The AUN Secretariat had previously circulated an email requesting the AUN-BOT to endorse the Report of the 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting of AUN Board of Trustees on 20 August 2019.
- The Report was received and endorsed by the AUN-BOT on 6 September 2019.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 3.1.A. Information Paper
- 3.1.B. Report of The 35<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting confirmed the adoption of the Report of the 35<sup>th</sup> AUN Board of Trustees Meeting.

#### 3.2. Report of matters circulated from the 2020 Agenda

#### Key points:

- To request the Meeting for the confirmation of the following matters adopted and approved by circulation on 26 October 2020:
  - 1. Annual Report (2019-2020)
  - 2. A Guide to AUN QA Assessment at Programme Level Version 4.0
  - 3. Updates on AUN Projects/Activities since the 35<sup>th</sup> AUN BOT Meeting
  - 4. AUN Event Calendar 2020-2021 (V.3.0)

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 3.2.1.A. AUN Annual Report 2019-2020
- 3.2.2.A. Guide to AUN-QA Assessment at Programme Level Version 4.0
- 3.2.3.A. Updates of the AUN Projects and Activities since the 35<sup>th</sup> AUN-BOT Meeting
- 3.2.4.A. AUN Event Calendar 2020-2021 (V3.0)

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting confirmed the adoption of the documents approved by the AUN-BOT in 2020.

# Agenda Item 4: Matters arising from related ASEAN meetings by the ASEAN Secretariat

#### Key points:

- The ASEAN Secretariat reported matters pertinent to the ASEAN University Network (AUN) arising from the ASEAN+3 Working Group, Sectoral and Summit meetings since the 35<sup>th</sup> AUN Board of Trustees Meeting on 12 July 2019 in Siem Reap, Lao PDR.
- The full list of matters can be found in <u>4.A. Information Paper</u> under the Relevant Development section.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 4.A. Information Paper
- 4.B. Matters Arising from ASEAN Meetings (15 July 2021)
- 4.C. Annex [ADOPTED] ASEAN Work Plan on Education 2021-2025\_FINAL.pdf

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the relevant decisions made by various ASEAN meetings that are relevant to the work of AUN.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Support and participate in the Official Launching and the First Meeting of the ASEAN Working Group on Higher Education Mobility	27 July 2021

# Agenda Item 5: Report from the 12th AUN Rectors' Meeting

#### Key points:

• The Report from the 12<sup>th</sup> AUN Rectors' Meeting serves as a record for the meeting held on 9 July 2021.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 5.A. Information Paper
- 5.B. Report of the 12<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Rectors' Meeting

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting approved the Report of the 12<sup>th</sup> AUN Rectors' Meeting.

### Agenda Item 6: Presentation of AUN Progress Report

#### 6.1. General updates of AUN-related developments

#### 6.1.1. Change of presidents, rectors, and vice-chancellors of AUN universities

#### Key points:

- Former AUN Presidents, Rectors, and Vice-Chancellors were recognized and honored for their contributions towards the AUN and the ASEAN region.
- Updates to changes of Presidents, Rectors, and Vice-Chancellors of AUN universities were
  provided to appropriately address and collaborate with Presidents, Rectors, and Vice-Chancellors
  of AUN Member Universities and introduce new appointed persons in charge to AUN-BOT.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.1.A. Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.1.B. CV of newly appointed Presidents, Rectors, and Vice-Chancellors of AUN Member</u> Universities

#### Conclusion:

- The Meeting expressed appreciation for former Presidents, Rectors, and Vice-Chancellors of AUN Member Universities.
- The Meeting acknowledged and welcomed the appointment of new Presidents, Rectors, and Vice-Chancellors of AUN Member Universities.

#### 6.1.2. AUN Staff recruitment and change of staff

#### Key points:

- Updates to the AUN Secretariat staff were provided.
- The AUN Secretariat has been recruiting and deploying talents in order to generate efficient outputs for the AUN.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.2.A. Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.2.B. AUN Team</u>
- <u>6.1.2.C. Operation Strategy</u>
- <u>6.1.2.D. Structure of the Secretariat</u>

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the change of AUN staff.

#### 6.1.3. AUN Pathfinder Team

#### Key points:

• The AUN Secretariat has established the AUN Pathfinder as an advance team that will prototype, explore, and refine AUN venture efforts as well as manage and evaluate new incoming prospective collaborative projects from external partners.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.3.A Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.3.B Pathfinder Logo Guidelines</u>

#### Conclusion:

- The Meeting acknowledged the creation and function of the Pathfinder Team as an advance section of the AUN Secretariat.
- 6.1.4. University Performance Metrics (UPM) developed by Vietnam National University, Hanoi (VNU, Hanoi)

#### Key points:

• UPM is a rating system for university performance designed by researchers from VNU, Hanoi and funded by the Ministry of Education and Training of Vietnam to assess the responsiveness of the universities in the Industrial Revolution 4.0.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 6.1.4.A. Information Paper
- 6.1.4.B. UPM Introduction and Methodology
- 6.1.4.C. UPM-Institutional-Level-Instruction-v2

#### Conclusion:

- The Meeting acknowledged the establishment and purpose of the UPM rating system.
- The Meeting approved the suggestion of the 12<sup>th</sup> AUN Rectors' Meeting for further studies on rating and ranking systems within ASEAN.

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Conduct further studies on ASEAN rating and ranking systems.	To be determined at a later date.

6.1.5. Healthy University Rating System (HURS) developed by AUN-Health Promotion Network (AUN-HPN)

#### Key points:

• In order to assess the progress of healthy university policy, AUN-HPN has developed a tool called "the Healthy University Rating System" or "HURS" to monitor policy implementation.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.5.A. Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.5.B Introduction to HURS</u>
- 6.1.5.C Webpage of HURS and calculation sample

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the Healthy University Rating System and supported it on a voluntary basis.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN-HPN Secretariat	Launch the official version of HURS.	August 2021
AUN Member Universities	To consider joining HURS on a voluntary basis.	From August 2021 onwards.

#### 6.1.6. AUN-Quality Assurance (AUN-QA)

#### Key points:

- Updates from the AUN-QA Thematic Network were provided including:
  - The recent development of A Guide to AUN QA Assessment at Programme Level
     Version 4.0
  - AUN-QA's engagement with other stakeholders

#### Relevant Documents:

- 6.1.6.A. Information Paper
- 6.1.6.B. Guide to AUN-QA Assessment at Programme Level Version 4.0
- 6.1.6.C. A Copy of Original Letter of Appreciation to the National University of Singapore

#### Conclusion:

- The Meeting acknowledged the recent development of A Guide to AUN-QA Assessment at Programme Level Version 4.0.
- The Meeting expressed its appreciation to the Revision Committee for the Guide to AUN-QA Assessment at Programme Level Version 4.0 for their contributions.
- The Meeting expressed its appreciation to the National University of Singapore (NUS) for supporting Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tan Kay Chuan in his works with AUN
- The Meeting acknowledged the engagements between AUN-QA and other stakeholders in the ASEAN region. For the details, please see <u>6.1.6.A. Information Paper</u>.

#### Action Lines:

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN-QA Secretariat	Implement the Guide to AUN-QA Assessment at Programme Level Version 4.0	October 2021-September 2022 (in parallel with Version 3.0) September 2022 (full implementation)
AUN-QA Secretariat	Continue the engagements as necessary.	Ongoing

# 6.1.7. AUN Southeast Asia Engineering Education Development Network (AUN/SEED-Net)

#### **Key points:**

- An update on the current activities of the AUN/SEED-Net Thematic Network and future direction of the network after the end of Phase IV were provided.
- AUN/SEED-Net Phase IV will end in March 2023. The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) is drafting a plan to transfer the project to the AUN.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 6.1.7.A. Information Paper
- 6.1.7.B. Transfer of the AUN\_SEED-Network after the end of Phase 4
- 6.1.7.C. Tentative Action Plan for SEED-Net Transfer

#### Conclusion:

 The Meeting acknowledged the updates of the AUN/SEED-Net Thematic Network and future direction of AUN/SEED-Net after Phase IV ends.

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat and AUN/SEED-Net Secretariat	As specified in 6.1.7.C.  Tentative Action Plan for  SEED-Net Transfer.	According to 6.1.7.C. Tentative  Action Plan for SEED-Net  Transfer.

#### 6.1.8. AUN-Human Rights Education (AUN-HRE)

#### Key points:

- "The Promotion of Human Rights and Peace Education in ASEAN" is a concept note that aims to harmonise a sustainable programme of promoting human rights and peace education targeting higher education institutions in ASEAN noted by 13<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Education (2018).
- As a result, AUN-HRE is in the process of establishing a collaborative graduate programme in human rights and peace studies among interested universities.
- This project was supported by the 35<sup>th</sup> AUN-BOT Meeting (2019) and endorsed by ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Education in April 2020.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.8.A. Information Paper</u>
- 6.1.8.B. Updates on AUN-HRE Activities 2019-2020

#### Conclusion:

- The Meeting acknowledged the implementation of the AUN-HRE/SHAPE-SEA programme on human rights and peace education which was carried out between July 2019 and December 2020.
- The Meeting acknowledged the relevant developments on the Promotion of Human Rights and Peace Education and Research in ASEAN.

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN-HRE Secretariat	Continue the development of the collaborative graduate programme in human rights and peace studies.	Until further notice
AUN Member Universities	Support the development of the collaborative graduate	Whenever deemed appropriate.

programme in human rights and peace studies on a voluntary basis.	

#### 6.1.9. ASEAN-India Network of Universities (AINU)

#### Key points:

- The ASEAN-India Network of Universities will provide a broad range of academic-to-academic interactions between institutions of higher learning in India and in ASEAN Member States.
- Progress on the establishment of AINU is reported to the Meeting.

#### Relevant Documents:

- <u>6.1.9.A. Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.9.B. ASEAN Cooperation Project Proposal</u>
- <u>6.1.9.C. Indian and ASEAN Institutions on Board for AINU</u>

#### Conclusion:

- The Meeting acknowledged the progress of the establishment of the ASEAN-India Network of Universities
- The Meeting encouraged AUN Member Universities to join the Faculty Exchange Programme between AUN Member Universities and Indian universities if approached by AINU project coordinator.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Continue the engagement with the Indian partners and the ASEAN Secretariat.	As required.
AUN Member Universities	Support the Faculty Exchange Programme on a voluntary basis.	As required.

#### 6.1.10. ASEAN University Student Network (AUSN)

#### Key points:

• The ASEAN University Student Network was established as part of the AUN's objective to develop ASEAN human resources, in particular youth leadership.

 The AUSN is envisioned as a completely student-run platform for ASEAN student leaders to convene to identify issues, discuss, propose, and implement solutions in a youth-driven environment.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.10.A. Information Paper</u>
- 6.1.10.B. AUSN Guidebook Version 1.0

#### **Conclusion:**

• The Meeting acknowledged the establishment of ASEAN University Student Network (AUSN) with members from AUN Member Universities.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Inform AUSN that the AUN Rector's Meeting acknowledges their establishment.	During the AUSN Annual Meeting 1/2021 (25 August 2021)
AUN Secretariat	Maintain the engagement with AUSN.	As mentioned in <u>6.1.13.C. AUN</u> 4-year activities calendar (2021 - 2024) Infographic.

#### 6.1.11. CALOHEA

#### **Key points:**

- CALOHEA, or Measuring and Comparing Achievements of Learning Outcomes in Higher Education in Asia, is a project conducted by the University of Groningen with the collaboration of the AUN Secretariat.
- Its objective is to contribute to the internationalization of higher education institutions through developing a series of interrelated measures indispensable for improving recognition of higher education degrees in the subject areas of civil engineering, medicine, and teacher education.
- The project utilizes the successful establishment of curriculums by the Tuning Asia-South East Project and builds upon it.
- Progress on the implementation of the CALOHEA project is given.

#### Relevant Documents:

- <u>6.1.11.A Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.11.B. CALOHEA Tentative Workplan 2021-2024</u>

• 6.1.11.C. List of Participating Universities

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the progress and relevant development of AUN activities related to the CALOHEA project.

#### Action Lines:

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Engage with CALOHEA and keep the AUN Member Universities informed of all progress.	As according to <u>6.1.11.B.</u> <u>CALOHEA Tentative Workplan</u> <u>2021-2024</u>

#### 6.1.12. Publications, Media, and Communications

#### Key points:

- An update to the publications, media, and communications from the AUN Secretariat are provided. These include:
  - 1. Environmental Sustainability as a Culture: Preparing Student Leaders for the Green Erathe 8th ASEAN Student Leaders Forum (ASLF Report)
  - 2. AUN Annual Report 2020-2021
  - 3. AUN E-newsletter
  - 4. AUN Website Renovation

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.12.A. Information Paper</u>
- 6.1.12.B. The 8th ASEAN Student Leaders Forum Book
- <u>6.1.12.C. AUN Annual Report 2020-2021</u>
- 6.1.12.D. E-newsletter Statistics

#### Conclusion:

 The Meeting acknowledged the developments to the AUN's publications, media, and communications.

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Member Universities	Use the AUN Secretariat's	Not specified.

publications, media, and	
communications as an outlet as	
they see fit.	

#### 6.1.13. AUN Calendar

#### Key points:

- An introduction to the upcoming events and future activities line-up from AUN Secretariat,
   AUN-QA, as well as Thematic Networks is provided in the form of a calendar.
- AUN 6-month Output Calendar from AUN Secretariat is initiated.
- An overall update to the AUN 4-year Activities Calendar during 2021-2024 is provided.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>6.1.13.A. Information Paper</u>
- <u>6.1.13.B. AUN 4-year Activities Calendar (2021 2024)</u>
- 6.1.13.C. AUN 4-year Activities Calendar (2021 2024) Infographic
- 6.1.13.D. AUN 6-month Output Calendar

#### **Conclusion:**

- The Meeting acknowledged the AUN Calendars.
- The Meeting praised the AUN Secretariat on its continued proactivity and effectiveness both before and during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Update AUN 4-year Activities Calendar (2021-2024).	As appropriate until 2024.
AUN Member Universities	Inform the AUN Secretariat of any updates to be added or removed from the AUN 4-year Activities Calendar.	As appropriate until 2024.

#### 6.1.14. AUN Charter Development

#### Key points:

 Updates on the AUN Membership Expansion Study by the AUN Secretariat and the Signing of the AUN Revised Charter are provided. • The full updates can be found in <u>6.1.14.A. Information Paper</u> under the Relevant Development section.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 6.1.14.A. Information Paper
- 6.1.14.B. Updates on the Signings of the Revised AUN Charter
- 6.1.14.C. Revised AUN Charter (signing version 2019-2021)

#### **Conclusion:**

- The Meeting acknowledged the relevant development of the consultation process on AUN Membership Expansion implemented by the AUN Secretariat.
- The Meeting acknowledged the progress of the signing of the revised AUN Charter.
- The Meeting approved the request of the AUN Secretariat for an extension of the consultation process to be reported at the 37<sup>th</sup> AUN-BOT Meeting.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Complete the AUN Member Expansion Study.	By the 37 <sup>th</sup> AUN-BOT Meeting
AUN Secretariat	Coordinate with the ASEAN Secretariat for the completion of the signing.	As required.

#### 6.2. Report of AUN activities in 2020-2021

#### Key points:

 Updates on the AUN projects, activities, and strategies were provided to AUN Member Universities and relevant stakeholders.

#### Relevant Documents:

- <u>6.2.A. Information paper</u>
- 6.2.B. AUN Annual Report 2020-2021
- 6.2.C. Report of AUN Activities 2020-2021
- 6.2.D. Annex

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the relevant development of the projects and activities undertaken by the AUN Secretariat and the AUN Thematic Networks.

• The Meeting expressed appreciation to the AUN Member Universities and relevant stakeholders for their cooperation and support to the Network.

# Agenda Item 7: Matters For Approval/Adoption

#### 7.1. "Revisiting Our University Network" Workshop

#### Key points:

- This is a workshop conducted by the AUN Secretariat for the participants of the AUN Rectors'
  Meeting to discuss the position and role of universities in a society that is beginning to challenge
  the idea of the university.
- The workshop's objective is for AUN Presidents/Rectors/Vice-Chancellors to recommend the direction of the AUN and AUN Secretariat for the next 2-3 years.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- 7.1.A. Information Paper
- 7.1.B. Summary of the Rectors' Meeting Workshop
- <u>7.1.C. Annex</u>

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the results of the workshop.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Explore and develop the suggestions from the "Revisiting Our University Network"  Workshop into actionable plans to be discussed at the ASEAN+3  Heads of International Relations  Office, other implementation platforms, and partner projects.	July 2021 - July 2022

## 7.2. Reappointment of the AUN Executive Director (Choltis Dhirathiti, Ph.D.)

#### Key points:

• Dr. Choltis Dhirathiti has completed his first tenure as the AUN Executive Director.

On 2 March 2021, the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, Thailand issued a letter of nomination and endorsement for Dr. Choltis Dhirathiti to serve as the AUN Executive Director for the second term, effective from 1 May 2021.

#### Relevant Documents:

- 7.2.A. Information Paper
- 7.2.B. Choltis Dhirathiti CV (November 2020)

#### **Conclusion:**

• The Meeting approved the nomination by the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, Thailand, and appointed Dr. Choltis Dhirathiti as the AUN Executive Director for the second term (2021-2025).

#### 7.3. AUN-QA Fee Schemes Retention

#### Key points:

- Due to COVID-19, the AUN-QA has had to diversify its operations thus is currently conducting a review of financial arrangements which is also a part of the formulation of AUN-QA Strategic Plan (2022 - 2025).
- Therefore, the current fee schemes shall be considered as part of the ongoing formulation of the AUN-QA Strategic Plan.

#### Relevant Documents:

• 7.3.A Information Paper

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the retention of the fee schemes.

#### Action Lines:

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN-QA Secretariat	Maintain the current AUN-QA Fee Schemes.	Immediately after the successful completion of the 36 <sup>th</sup> AUN-BOT Meeting until the completion of the formulation of AUN-QA Strategic Plan (2022 - 2025).

#### 7.4. Expansion of the AUN Emblem Family

#### Key points:

The AUN Secretariat has produced an expansion of the AUN emblem family so that it is fit for
use in any situation and created clear guidelines for individuals and entities wishing to use the
AUN emblem.

#### Relevant Documents:

- 7.4.A. Information Paper
- 7.4.B. AUN Emblem Usage Guidelines

#### **Conclusion:**

 The Meeting approved in principle the expanded emblem family and usage guidelines and suggested further discussions with the ASEAN Secretariat on the topic of the value of the original symbolism of the ASEAN emblem and the instructions.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat and ASEAN	Further discuss the	As soon as possible
Secretariat	implementation of the Expanded	
	AUN Emblem Family.	

## Agenda Item 8: Other Matters

#### 8.1. The Establishment of ASEAN Corner in ASEAN universities

#### **Key points:**

- The ASEAN Corner in Universities (Phase 1) is a pilot programme to establish information centres in the libraries of higher education institutions in the ASEAN Member States (AMS).
- The objectives of this project are to:
  - 1. Provide accurate, timely, and relevant information about ASEAN developments and the ASEAN Member States;
  - 2. Increase the availability of reliable multimedia resources on ASEAN for researches; and
  - 3. Foster people-to-people connections, and enhance understanding and respect among ASEAN peoples (especially the youth).
- The project has received approval from the ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Education (SOM-ED), Committee of Permanent Representatives to ASEAN (CPR), and Government of Japan on 14 and 31 December 2020, as well as 18 January 2021, respectively.

#### Relevant Documents:

• 8.1.A. Information Paper

- 8.1.B. ASEAN Corner Presentation
- <u>8.1.C. Annex</u>

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the updates and provided guidance on the project implementation.

#### Action Lines:

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Follow the guidance from the AUN-BOT to include AUN publications and media in the ASEAN Corner.	As appropriate in consultation with the ASEAN Secretariat

# 8.2. International Master Degree on Human Development Program by Universiti Malaya Key points:

- Updates to the academic collaboration titled UM-AUN International Master in Human Development initiated by Universiti Malaya are provided.
- Full details about the collaboration can be found in <u>8.2.A. Information Paper</u> under the Background section.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

- <u>8.2.A. Information Paper</u>
- <u>8.2.B. Master in Human Development Presentation</u>

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged Universiti Malaya for its initiative on the International Master Degree on Human Development Program.

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Member Universities	Participate in this initiative on a voluntary basis.	Follow the timeline set by Universiti Malaya.
AUN Secretariat	Coordinate this initiative.	Follow the timeline set by Universiti Malaya.

Agenda Item 9: Date and venue of the 37<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting

#### Key points:

• The 37<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting will be hosted by the National University of Laos in 2022.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

• 9.A. Information Paper

#### Conclusion:

• The Meeting acknowledged the date and venue of the 37<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting, which will be hosted by the National University of Laos in 2022.

#### **Action Lines:**

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
AUN Secretariat	Coordinate with the National University of Laos in the organization of the 37 <sup>th</sup> AUN- BOT Meeting.	As early as possible

Agenda Item 10: Consideration and adoption of the 36<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting Minutes Report

#### Key points:

The Meeting was informed that the 36<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting Minutes Report will be circulated for consideration and adoption within two weeks of the completion of the meeting.

#### **Relevant Documents:**

• 10.A. Information Paper

#### **Conclusion:**

• The Meeting acknowledged that the 36<sup>th</sup> ASEAN University Network Board of Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting Minutes will be circulated ad referendum.

Person Responsible	Action item	Timeline
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AUN Secretariat	Circulate the 36 <sup>th</sup> ASEAN	By 30 July 2021
	University Network Board of	
	Trustees (AUN-BOT) Meeting	
	Minutes.	

### Agenda Item 11: Closing Remarks

Prof. Sirirurg Songsivilai, M.D., Ph.D, emphasized on the long running process of higher education promotion. As evident by the uncertainty brought by the Covid-19 pandemic crisis, education is crucial in the process of recovery and preparation for the post-pandemic era. He commended the AUN for its success and expressed his confidence in its significant role in handling issues caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and other challenges, as well as preparing the network for a post-pandemic era. Prof. Sirirurg Songsivilai, M.D., Ph.D, concluded the meeting by expressing his appreciation to the AUN Board of Trustee members and all member universities for their continuous contribution to the network. Lastly, he thanked everyone for their participation in the meeting.

The full remarks can be found as Annex 5.