ASEAN Forum on SCP

Background Paper:
A proposal to the ASEAN member states through the ASOEN Chair of ASEAN

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Sources/Mandate for Background Paper

- Mandate from 1st Prep Meeting
- ASEAN Docs (Vision 2020; Socio-Cultural Community Blueprint, Roadmap for an ASEAN Community 2009 – 2015)
- Marrakech Process Regional Consultations
- SWITCH-Asia PSC country visits
- Scientific and Policy Research
SCP: an embodiment of many concepts

- Green economy
- Low-carbon society
- Green growth
- Sufficiency economy
- The middle path
- Sound material society
- 3Rs – reduce, reuse, recycle
- Healthy lifestyles
- Industrial ecology
- Eco-efficiency
- Cleaner production
- Sustainable livelihoods
- Community development
- etc
An International Mandate
Pillars of International SCP Policy

“the major cause of the continued deterioration of the global environment is the unsustainable pattern of consumption and production…”

Agenda 21, Chapter 4

“To achieve sustainable development and a higher quality of life for all people, States should reduce and eliminate unsustainable patterns of production and consumption”

Rio Declaration, Principle 8

SCP as one of the “overarching objectives of, and essential requirements for, sustainable development.”

JPOI; Rio Declaration
“A multipronged strategy”

“measures...must take fully into account the current imbalances in the global patterns of consumption and production...”
Overconsumption: environmentally unsustainable

Sustainable lifestyles

Poverty and need: socially unsustainable

maximum per-capita resource use

minimum per-capita resource use
ASEAN Forum on SCP
Need for an ASEAN Forum on SCP

- No regional platform that is dedicated to policy dialogue and achievement of SCP
- Need to address the relationship between SCP and the green economy in an Asia-/ASEAN-specific context
- Forum for collaborative action on Rio+20 outcomes
- Limited regional-level research on consumer behaviour and region-specific sustainable production approaches
- Need for adaptive tools, resources and knowledge base to buttress regional capacity for SCP
- Needs identified in ASEAN SCP meeting 25 – 26 April 2011
- ASEAN leadership!
Main Objectives

- Policy dialogue and collaboration on SCP national and regional strategies and implementation

- Research on consumption and production patterns, to support tailored, effective policy design and actions

- Develop a resource pool and provide training to support governments and other stakeholders at national and regional level in a transition to SCP
## Themes

| PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED UNDER THE REGIONAL MARRAKECH PROCESS CONSULTATIONS |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------|------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| REGION                                          | AFRICA  | ASIA & THE PACIFIC | EUROPE | LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN | ARAB REGION (WEST ASIA) |
| PRIORITY SECTORS                                 |         |             |          |                             |                             |
| ENERGY                                          | •       | 〇           | •        | •                           | •                           |
| AGRICULTURE—FOOD                                | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| HOUSING (BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION)               | *       |             | *        | •                           | •                           |
| TRANSPORT / MOBILITY                            | *       | *           | •        | *                           | *                           |
| TOURISM                                         | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| WASTE                                           | •       |             | 〇        | •                           | 〇                           |
| WATER                                           | •       |             | 〇        | 〇                           | 〇                           |
| PRIORITY SCP PROGRAMMES/TOOLS                    |         |             |          |                             |                             |
| NATIONAL SCP ACTION PLANS/PROGRAMMES            | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| FINANCE AND ECONOMIC FRAMEWORK FOR SCP          | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT                         | •       |             | 〇        | •                           | 〇                           |
| SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS & SERVICES (Labelling & Standards) | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| EDUCATION, INFORMATION ON SCP & SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| ENHANCING BUSINESS COMPETITIVENESS THROUGH SCP (SMEs) | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| URBAN & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SUSTAINABLE CITIES)  | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| CROSS-CUTTING ISSUE                             | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |
| POVERTY ALLEVIATION                             | •       |             | •        | •                           | •                           |

〇 Priority arising at international meeting  * Issue discussed under Urban Development  + USA members participating in Marrakech Task Forces
Key factors influencing consumption and production:

- What we eat
- Where/how we live
- How we move from place to place
- What we wear
- How/where we holiday
AFSCP Priority Areas

Food

Housing

Mobility
Cross-cutting Themes

- Sustainable Lifestyles/Livelihoods
- Sustainable Public Procurement
- Eco-Tourism
- Education for SCP
- Extended Producer Responsibility
Structure of AFSCaP

AMS

Forum

ASEAN Secretariat

Chair

Scientific and Technical Advisory Group

Theme Leader

Thematic Cluster

TC

TC

TC

Implementation

Technical Support Unit
Members Forum

- Main body of AFSCP
- Involves all line ministries
- Sets Programmes for AFSCP
- Has Chair
- Meet periodically
- (High-level segment of APRSCP?)
- Policy Fairs
Thematic Clusters (TC)

- Clusters of AMS around each AFSCP theme
- Implement action plan for specific themes
- Have Theme Leaders
  - From country with advanced policy in theme
- “Twinning” AMS
- Report to Members Forum
Technical Support Unit (TSU)

- Technical support for implementation
- Develop training programmes, policy tools, etc
- Liaise with ASEAN Secretariat and AWGs
- UNEP has been indicated as an organization that can lead TSU
Scientific and Technical Advisory Group (STAG)

• Research to support tailored, research-based policies & actions
• Advise MF, TC, and TSU
• Monitor progress and outcome of policies and programmes
• research institutes, academic institutions, individual experts, multilateral organizations...
- Research, Academic organisations: IGES, AIT, CSIRO,
- Intergovernmental organisations: ASEAN Secretariat, UNEP, UNIDO, EU, ESCAP,
- Multilateral organisations: APRSCP, APO
Activity Components

- High-level dialogue
- Policy Fairs
- Twinning

- Identify gaps
- Knowledge base
- Policy proposals

- Capacity devt
- Liaising with AMS

Members’ Forum
Scientific and Technical Advisory Group
Technical Support Unit
AFSCP Phases

- Phase I: Harvesting low-hanging fruits (until 2015)
- Phase II: Resource efficiency; regional harmonization (until 2018)
- Phase III: Integrating well-being indicators in measuring development (Until 2020)
Other Considerations

- Relationship with AWGs
- Relationship with other initiatives (APRSCP, SWITCH-Asia, etc)
- Relationship with other non-AMS in Asia (China, India, etc)
- Contribution to Rio+20 on SCP from ASEAN perspective
- Etc…
Thank you