2022 PROTOCOL TO AMEND THE ASEAN MUTUAL RECOGNITION ARRANGEMENT ON TOURISM PROFESSIONALS

Adopted in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 24 June 2022

The Governments of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (hereinafter referred to individually as "ASEAN Member State" and collectively as "ASEAN Member States");

RECALLING the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Tourism Professionals ("MRA-TP") signed on 9 November 2012 in Bangkok, Thailand;

RECALLING ALSO the decision of the 22nd Meeting of ASEAN Tourism Ministers which was held on 17 January 2019 in Ha Long City, Viet Nam to task the ASEAN Tourism Professional Monitoring Committee (ATPMC) and the ASEAN Secretariat to look into the possibility and identify the procedure to amend the MRA-TP, so that new job titles identified and agreed in the future could be easily appended into the MRA-TP, in accordance with internal needs and requirements of each ASEAN Member State; and

REFERRING to Article VIII (Amendment) of the MRA-TP that provides for any amendments thereto to be mutually agreed upon in writing by all ASEAN Member States;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE I AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II (DEFINITIONS AND SCOPE) OF THE MRA-TP

Subparagraph 2.1 of Article II of the MRA-TP shall be replaced with the following:

"2.1 ASEAN Common Competency Standards for Tourism Professionals ("ACCSTP") refers to the minimum requirements of competency standards as listed in the APPENDIX which aim to upgrade tourism, hospitality and other related services and facilitate the development of this Arrangement between ASEAN Member States;"

ARTICLE II AMENDMENT TO THE APPENDIX OF THE MRA-TP

The APPENDIX of the MRA-TP shall be replaced with a new APPENDIX, as set out in the Annex to this Protocol.

ARTICLE III FINAL PROVISIONS

- 1. This Protocol shall enter into force, after all Member States have deposited their instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval with the Secretary-General of ASEAN upon the completion of their internal procedures.
- 2. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, who shall promptly furnish a certified copy thereof to each ASEAN Member State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed the Protocol to Amend the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Tourism Professionals.

DONE at Vientiane, Lao PDR on the Twenty-Fourth day of June in the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two in a single original in the English language.

APPENDIX ASEAN COMMON COMPETENCY STANDARDS FOR TOURISM PROFESSIONALS

1. Hotel Services

Front Office

Front Office Manager Front Office Supervisor Receptionist Telephone Operator

Bell Boy

House Keeping

Executive Housekeeper Laundry Manager Floor Supervisor Laundry Attendant Room Attendant Public Area Cleaner

Food Production

Executive Chef
Demi Chef
Commis Chef
Chef de Partie
Commis Pastry
Baker

Butcher

Food and Beverage Service F&B Director

F&B Outlet Manager Head Waiter Bartender Waiter

2. Travel Services

Travel Agencies

General Manager Assistant General Manager Senior Travel Consultant Travel Consultant

Tour Operation

Product Manager
Sales and Marketing Manager
Credit Manager
Ticketing Manager
Tour Manager

3. Meeting, Incentive, Conference and Exhibition (MICE) Professionals

Conference

Project Manager
Conference Coordinator Function
Coordinator Marketing Coordinator
Conference Supervisor Conference
Secretariat Supervisor

Liaison Officer

Conference Registration Staff
Conference Transportation Staff

4. Event Professionals

Event

Project Manager
Production Manager
Show Manager
Event Coordinator
Marketing Coordinator
Event Registration Supervisor
Event Administration Supervisor
Event Registration Staff
Event Transportation Staff Liaison
Officer

Conference Logistic Staff General Support Staff	General Support Staff	
Exhibition Project Manager Exhibition Coordinator Exhibition Venue Coordinator Marketing Coordinator Exhibition Supervisor Exhibition Secretariat Supervisor Exhibition Logistic Staff		
Exhibition Transportation Staff		
Exhibition Registration Staff General Support Staff		