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This Comprehensive Plan of Action (CPA) is aimed at implementing mutually beneficial cooperation for the period 2021-2025 between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Russian Federation as set forth in the Joint Statement of the 3rd ASEAN-Russian Federation Summit on Strategic Partnership in 2018 which marked the elevation of the ASEAN-Russia relations to a Strategic Partnership as well as Chairman's Statement of the ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference (PMC) 10+1 Session with the Dialogue Partners in Bangkok in 2019. For the next five years (2021-2025), this CPA will guide endeavours by ASEAN and Russia in realising mutually beneficial objectives and benefits of their Strategic Partnership, building upon their relations that started in 1991.

This CPA sets out priorities and measures to be undertaken by both sides to realise the full potential of the ASEAN-Russia partnership in all areas of common interest, taking into account the ASEAN Community Vision 2025: Forging Ahead Together and its Blueprints; as well as the results of the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan of Action to Promote Cooperation between ASEAN and Russia (2016-2020) and other related ASEAN-Russia cooperation documents.

Under this CPA, ASEAN and Russia agreed to strengthen dialogue partnership and cooperation across a wide range of areas, including political-security, economic, socio-cultural and development cooperation and are committed to advance the partnership towards greater mutual benefit and prosperity.

ASEAN and Russia also share a common view on the importance of upholding ASEAN Centrality in the regional architecture which should be built upon ASEAN-led mechanisms. ASEAN and Russia have an important role in fostering peace, stability and inclusive growth in the Asia-Pacific.

In accordance with ASEAN and Russia's international obligations and national legislation and policies, ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation shall endeavour to pursue cooperation in the following areas:

1. POLITICAL AND SECURITY COOPERATION

Political-Security

1. Enhance high-level engagement and encourage further constructive dialogue and cooperation activities through the existing international and regional mechanisms to maintain a politically peaceful and stable region, where national security cannot be ensured at the expense of others;
2. Enhance ASEAN and Russia's role in the regional architecture in accordance with shared values and norms, including those enshrined in the UN Charter, ASEAN Charter, the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (TAC), the East Asia Summit (EAS) Declaration on the Principles for Mutually Beneficial Relations (Bali Principles) and international law, including mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, non-interference in internal affairs, and the non-use of force or the threat to use force; as well as respect for ASEAN processes, principles and norms, including ASEAN Centrality in the evolving regional architecture;
3. Explore further practical cooperation on the issues of mutual interest between ASEAN and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), in particular through the implementation of the

Memorandum of Understanding between the ASEAN Secretariat and the SCO Secretariat of 2005, including in the priority areas of counter-terrorism, drugs and narcotics control and fighting other transnational crimes;

4. Strengthen ASEAN-Russia consultations and cooperation, including through ASEAN-led mechanisms, in particular by holding ASEAN-Russia Summits and the ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference (PMC)+1 Sessions with the Russian Federation, ASEAN-Russia Senior Officials' Meetings, ASEAN-Russia Joint Cooperation Committee and other working mechanisms of ASEAN-Russia Dialogue Partnership; continue further engagement between Ambassadors of ASEAN Member States and Russia in third countries as appropriate;
5. Develop ASEAN-Russia Consultations of the High Representatives for Security Issues as an informal platform facilitating the exchange of international security information, expertise and best practices in addressing traditional and nontraditional threats and challenges;
6. Continue dialogue between ASEAN and the Russian Federation Defence Ministers including through the ADMM-Plus on practical cooperation and activities, subject to ADMM's approval, and based on mutual consensus, such as joint exercise and training, organizing academic discussions, and cooperation between defence-related think tanks;
7. Work closely to further strengthen the East Asia Summit (EAS), with ASEAN as the driving force, as a premier Leaders-led forum, for dialogue on broad strategic, political and economic issues of common interest and concern with the aim of promoting peace, stability and economic prosperity in the region, including through multilateral consultations on the regional security architecture, based on universally recognized rules and principles of international law, mutual trust and respect, and cooperate through regular engagement among EAS Ambassadors in Jakarta on the implementation of Leaders' decisions;
8. Enhance practical cooperation within the ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus) particularly in the areas of maritime security, military medicine, counter-terrorism, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief, peacekeeping operations, humanitarian mine action, and cybersecurity;
9. Enhance cooperation in the framework of the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) to promote confidence building measures and preventive diplomacy, including in the areas of disaster management, counter terrorism and transnational crime, information and communication technologies (ICTs) security, maritime safety and security, non-proliferation and disarmament, peacekeeping operations and defence dialogue, and support ASEAN's central and active role in the ARF processes;
10. Promote cooperation in addressing the humanitarian aspects of landmines and other explosive remnants of war issues in the region, through the ASEAN Regional Mine Action Centre (ARMAC) and ADMM-Plus EWG on Humanitarian Mine Action;
11. Strengthen cooperation within the United Nations (UN) on identified issues of mutual concern, among others, enhancing engagement between the Permanent Representatives to the UN of the ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation;
12. Enhance coordination as well as possible cooperation in various fora, including in the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) and the Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD), on issues of common interest and concern;

13. Continue cooperation between ASEAN and Russia within the Expanded ASEAN Maritime Forum (EAMF);
14. Intensify the on-going efforts of States Parties to the Treaty on the Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone (Bangkok Treaty) and the Nuclear Weapon States to resolve outstanding issues pertaining to the signing and ratifying of the Protocol to that Treaty;
15. Continue dialogue on disarmament and non-proliferation issues including those related to Chemical, Biological and Nuclear Weapons and their means of delivery, the Prevention of an Arms Race in Outer Space (PAROS) and other related issues;
16. Promote practical cooperation in the area of military medicine through the ASEAN Center of Military Medicine (ACMM) as mutually agreed, as well as support activities under the ADMM-Plus Experts' Working Group on Military Medicine (EWG on MM);

Counter-Terrorism and Transnational Crime

17. Enhance coordination and cooperation on counter terrorism and transnational crime through ASEAN-Russia Senior Officials Consultation Meeting on Transnational Crime (SOMTC) and the ASEAN-Russia Joint Working Group on Counter-Terrorism and Transnational Crime (JWG on CTTC), in line with the EAS Leaders' Statement on Countering Ideological Challenges of Terrorism and Terrorist Narratives and Propaganda (2017), the EAS Leaders' Statement on Countering the threat of Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Returnees (2018), the Statement of ASEAN and Russia Ministers of Foreign Affairs on Joint Efforts to Counter International Terrorism (2017) and the 2019 ARF Statement on Preventing and Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism Conducive to Terrorism (VECT), taking into account relevant ASEAN-agreed documents. Update the ASEAN-Russia Work Plan on Countering Terrorism and Transnational Crime (2009), support and encourage its implementation;
18. Enhance international cooperation in combating terrorism in accordance with the UN Charter, relevant UN Security Council resolutions and the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy;
19. Strengthen and support the capacity building, including on legal matters and law enforcement, on combating transnational crimes, counter-terrorism and foreign terrorist fighters, terrorist use of information and communication technologies (ICTs) and the financing of terrorism, as well as illicit trade in firearms and supply of weapons to terrorists, on the basis of mutual interest, by promoting cooperation between training centers and institutions in ASEAN and Russia, developing appropriate programmes and activities such as trainings, conferences and workshops; continue organizing training courses for law enforcement personnel by the relevant ASEAN and Russian agencies on issues of common interest;
20. Exchange information on terrorist groups, including, where appropriate, through the voluntary use of the International Counterterrorism Database administered by the Federal Security Service of the Russian Federation, their communication channels, as well as information on potential attacks and threats including possible acts involving chemical, biological, radiological or nuclear weapons;
21. Encourage cooperation on interfaith, and inter-cultural dialogues as well as the promotion of respect, tolerance and moderation and strengthening of social cohesion between and among peoples of ASEAN and Russia, through building a culture of peace to counter terrorism and address conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism;
22. Share best practices in counter-terrorism, explore cooperation in the prevention and suppression of the use of ICTs for terrorist and criminal purposes, including incitement of hatred, as well as

recruitment, facilitation, and the financing of terrorism. Continue to use the capacities of the national financial intelligence units to counter the financing of terrorism;

23. Continue to strengthen cooperation in combatting and addressing Transnational Organized Crimes (TOC) including human trafficking, money laundering and illicit drug trafficking and their nexus with terrorist activities;
24. Continue practical cooperation in combating the cultivation, production, manufacture and trafficking of illicit drugs, as well as drug-related crimes, including through exchange of information and coordination under the ASEAN Senior Officials on Drug Matters (ASOD)-Russia Consultation;
25. Support ASEAN in building its capacity to respond to threats arising from the use of ICTs;
26. Strengthen cooperation on security of and in the use of ICTs including through the establishment and the convening of an ASEAN-Russia Dialogue on ICTs Security-related Issues;

2. ECONOMIC COOPERATION

Multilateral Organisations

27. Encourage ASEAN-Russia consultation within multilateral organisations including relevant UN system organizations, the World Trade Organisation (WTO); the International Monetary Fund (IMF); the World Bank Group (WBG); the World Economic Forum (WEF); the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), and the G20;
28. Explore possible further practical cooperation on the issues of mutual interest between ASEAN and the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) and ASEAN and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), which in particular could contribute to stronger transregional partnership in Eurasia;
29. Enhance cooperation between ASEAN and the Eurasian Economic Union including through further implementation of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between ASEAN and Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) on Economic Cooperation and Programme of Cooperation between EEC and ASEAN to create opportunities for dialogues on the issues of common interest to be mutually agreed, while exploring potential areas for expanded cooperation;

Trade and Investment

30. Continue regular meetings between the ASEAN Economic Ministers and Russia's Minister of Economic Development and their Senior Economic Officials to deepen ties and linkages thus, increasing ASEAN-Russia trade and investment opportunities;
31. Enhance the implementation of the Revised ASEAN-Russia Trade and Investment Cooperation Roadmap endorsed in 2021 and its Work Programme 2021-2025, and review them when deemed necessary;
32. Strengthen ASEAN-Russia business ties by enhancing and facilitating cooperation between ASEAN Member States and Russia business entities, including through the Russia-ASEAN Business Council, ASEAN Business Advisory Council, ASEAN Chambers of Commerce and Industry and Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation;
33. Convene business summits, dialogues, investment symposiums and other activities including those recommended by the Russia-ASEAN Business Council using among others frameworks of ASEAN Business and Investment Summit and relevant business fora in ASEAN Member States, St.

Petersburg International Economic Forum, Eastern Economic Forum in Vladivostok and INNOPROM International Industrial Fair in Yekaterinburg;

34. Organise business missions between ASEAN Member States and Russia with a view to establish direct business contacts and exchanging information on trade and investment opportunities;
35. Enhance cooperation on information exchanges including through expert consultations, international conferences, workshops, seminars and sessions regarding experiences and best practices in policy and regulatory frameworks on trade and investment related issues, including information on tariff and non-tariff measures;
36. Enhance cooperation including through exchange of experiences and capacity building in trade and investment-related areas of mutual interest, including but not limited to green technology, financial technology, and financial inclusion, digital economy and mutual settlements in national currencies;
37. Strengthen cooperation in the area of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) development, and enable integration of MSMEs in global value chains, including by uncovering the potential of e-commerce instruments, encouraging their participation in trade fairs/expos conferences, seminars, joint business missions, business-stakeholder engagements, business matching sessions and other business-related events;
38. Support regional cooperation and public-private partnership for inclusive human capital development between ASEAN Member States and Russia, through capacity building programmes;
39. Explore the potential for business-to-business cooperation and public-private partnership in creative industries, including film, animation and game production, fashion, crafts and design by organising conferences, exhibitions, presentations, business matching sessions and other events;
40. Support efforts towards creating an enabling environment for Inclusive Businesses between ASEAN Member States and Russia by exploring collaboration for enhancing access to financial resources, awareness raising and education on effective and responsible business conduct practices and capacity building for business start-ups and MSMEs;
41. Promote and facilitate flows of foreign direct investment into ASEAN Member States and Russia through enhanced cooperation among investment promotion agencies, linkages between investors and local entrepreneurs, and ease of dissemination of information especially on rules, regulations and policies affecting investment, as well as create favorable environment to attract investment in sustainable projects;
42. Promote networking initiatives among regional and municipal authorities, development agencies and businesses to facilitate exchanges in development practices and support in urban, rural and remote areas development;
43. Strengthen cooperation in the promotion of women's economic empowerment and gender equality including through the project "Russia and ASEAN Women Entrepreneurs Network" and exploring the creation of a multilingual platform to connect and support women entrepreneurs in MSMEs in ASEAN and Russia;

Energy

44. Continue regular consultation between ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Energy and Russia, taking into account, among others, the ASEAN Plan of Action on Energy Cooperation (APAEC) 2016-2025;

45. Continue to work closely on the implementation of the ASEAN-Russia cooperation in energy, and work closely towards the development of the new ASEAN-Russia Energy Cooperation Work Plan for 2021-2025, taking into consideration the implementation outcomes of the ASEAN Plan of Action for Energy Cooperation (APAEC) Phase 1: 2016-2020 and the Strategic Activities for APAEC Phase 2: 2021-2025;
46. Explore further nuclear energy cooperation in the area of civilian nuclear energy, and its related applications, in accordance with the APAEC 2016-2025;
47. Strengthen cooperation to pursue energy security and sustainability through institutional capacity building and increasing private sector engagement and through joint research collaboration, development, production and use of renewable and alternative energy sources as well as promotion of all energy sources, including renewable and alternative energy sources, as well as promotion of sustainable energy, low carbon and energy efficient technologies;
48. Explore opportunities to increase trade and investment in the energy sector, including renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies, and its infrastructure;
49. Enhance cooperation in the field of clean coal technologies, oil and gas exploration, production, development of necessary infrastructure for wider use of natural gas as an alternative motor fuel in transportation, refinery development and consumption through joint research collaboration, exchange of information and best practices;
50. Strengthen institutional linkages between ASEAN and Russia, including with the ASEAN Centre for Energy (ACE), to cooperate on research and development on energy efficiency, renewable energy and regulating energy safety;

Industry and Minerals

51. Identify potential cooperation areas of mutual interest and explore the possibility of establishing joint activities under the auspices of the ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Minerals (ASOMM) and Russia's relevant minerals development agency;
52. Strengthen cooperation in the digital economy including through the exchange of best practices and ideas on harnessing the potential of the Fourth Industrial Revolution and smart manufacturing;
53. Promote implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals 2030, including Goal 9 Industry, innovation, and infrastructure and Goal 17 Partnerships;

Transport

54. Explore collaboration regarding the implementation of the regional transport agreements developed under the UN ESCAP and promote the Asia-Europe Connectivity;
55. Explore cooperation and identify relevant strategic actions, programmes and activities to support the implementation of the Kuala Lumpur Transport Strategic Plan (ASEAN Transport Strategic Plan) (2016-2025) and the Transport Strategy of the Russian Federation for the period up to 2030 including through further participation of Russian experts in ASEAN transport sectoral forums where appropriate and in accordance with ASEAN procedure;

56. Support efforts to diversify transport and logistics supply chains in ASEAN and the Russian Federation to strengthen connectivity and increase efficiency and competitiveness for better economic exchanges and growth;
57. Encourage the use of emergency response systems based on global satellite navigation data to save lives and reduce the severity of injuries suffered in traffic accidents and other road emergencies;
58. Promote cooperation in transport education and personnel training for the transport industry;

Food, Agriculture and Forestry

59. Hold regular ASEAN-Russia Senior Officials' Meetings on Agriculture, promote networking and cooperation between government authorities and related stakeholders;
60. Enhance agriculture and fisheries cooperation in order to develop concrete activities aimed at promoting sustainable agriculture and fisheries resource management, expanding markets for agro and fishery products, improving water resources management, and promoting regional food safety and food security;
61. Promote investment, capacity building, sharing of experience and best practices in agriculture and aquaculture, food and forestry sectors, research and development including technical assistance and funding support related to these activities;

Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs)

62. Explore possible cooperation in the field of ICTs including through the sharing of best practices and capacity building on ICTs;
63. Continue cooperation on ICTs through workshops and training in areas such as distance education, telemedicine, ICT security, recognition of electronic signature software development, digital content, e-government, digital economy, e-commerce, spectrum management, satellite technology as well as mitigation of the impact of climate change and disaster risk management;

Tourism

64. Continue consultations on tourism between ASEAN and Russia on the sidelines of the ASEAN Tourism Forum to promote tourism cooperation and expand business contacts in tourism sector;
65. Continue to promote ASEAN-Russia capacity building programmes in tourism sector and collaboration on professional training and advancement in the field of tourism, including on Russian language courses for tourism stakeholders from ASEAN Member States;
66. Encourage the participation of private sectors in tourism promotion activities such as travel marts, exhibitions and tourism festivals;
67. Support national tourism administrations' activities and projects which aim to promote tourism of ASEAN Member States and Russia;

Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)

68. Enhance cooperation in science, technology and innovation, including through the ASEAN-Russia Working Group on Science, Technology and Innovation (ARWGSTI) and the implementation of the ASEAN-Russian Federation Plan of Action on Science, Technology and Innovation (ARPASTI) 2016-2025 and the ASEAN Declaration on Innovation for innovation-driven growth;
69. Foster mutual participation in joint project activities, scientific and technology exhibitions, conferences, seminars and other international scientific and technology meetings, in particular, of the young scientists and experts;
70. Explore cooperation through joint technological research and development, sharing of information, as well as capacity building in space technology and its applications, space sciences, and space exploration;
71. Promote scientific and technological research development and exchanges between ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation for mutual benefit and sharing of scientific and technological information, including but not limited to high potential areas, such as development of value-added products, in accordance with national legislation;
72. Promote the expansion of STI start-ups into each other's markets in order to encourage the co-creation of innovative tech solutions and products;

3. SOCIO-CULTURAL COOPERATION

Culture

73. Promote greater cooperation on socio-cultural activities by strengthening exchanges in various areas including training, exhibition, management, creative industries, research, education, publication, information, and human resources between ASEAN and the Russian Federation;
74. Promote greater awareness and appreciation of each other's traditions, heritage and cultures through cultural exchange activities, art exhibitions, film festivals, language courses and other events held in ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation including performances of the ASEAN-Russia Youth Symphony Orchestra as mutually agreed;

Disaster Management and Emergency Response

75. Discuss and explore potential cooperation under the ambit of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Russian Federation on Cooperation in the Field of Disaster Management;
76. Conduct regular consultations between the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) and the Ministry of the Russian Federation of Civil Defence, Emergencies and Elimination of Consequences of Natural Disasters (EMERCOM) to enhance synergy and cooperation on disaster management;
77. Promote cooperation on disaster management and humanitarian assistance through among others, sharing of experiences and best practices, capacity building programmes, support for the work of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre), in areas of mutual interest including, where appropriate, to strengthen humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) efforts and consider possible participation in ASEAN Regional Disaster Emergency Response Simulation Exercise;

Migration

78. Explore cooperation on migration-related issues in the areas of common interest in accordance with international law and domestic legislation;

Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity

79. Promote cooperation in the area of environmental sustainability, including biodiversity conservation, coastal and marine environmental protection, climate change adaptation and mitigation;
80. Promote biodiversity conservation and management in the region, including encouraging collaboration with existing institutions such as the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity and the ASEAN Flyway Network;
81. Explore regional cooperation to further implement Action Plans under the various ASEAN Working Groups in the Environment sector, such as on Climate Change and Nature Conservation and Biodiversity;

Health and Pandemic Preparedness and Response

82. Enhance technical exchanges and information-sharing relevant to public health focused on cross-cutting concerns in promoting healthy lifestyles, responding to all hazards and emerging threats, strengthening health systems and access to care and ensuring food safety;
83. Promote cooperation in enhancing ASEAN preparedness and capacity in responding to communicable diseases and emerging infectious diseases through, among others, establishing a platform for consultations between agencies responsible for public health, prevention and control of infectious diseases of ASEAN Member States and Russia, enhancing surveillance, strengthening laboratory network capabilities, experience sharing and developing vaccines to strengthen pandemic preparedness and response under the existing mechanisms and platforms, including through the International Research Center for the Study of Biosafety and Human Well-Being in the Asia-Pacific Region in Vladivostok;
84. Continue to promote cooperation and coordinate efforts, including with relevant international organizations, to tackle global and regional health challenges posed by infectious diseases with pandemic potential and to improve global health security from a public health perspective, including through establishing consultations between relevant public health agencies of ASEAN Member States and Russia;
85. Promote cooperation in the research, development and production of new tools for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases, and encourage collaboration in the field of public health efforts, including technical assistance and capacity-building assistance to ASEAN Member States to combat infectious diseases;

Education, Youth and People-to-People Exchange

86. Enhance cooperation in educational exchanges through the ASEAN-Russia Working Group on Education, including but not limited to science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) skills, sharing of knowledge and people-to-people activities, especially amongst youth and students;
87. Strengthen the promotion of women and youth participation in programmes or projects that contribute to human development, education, social protection;

88. Support the activities of the Network of ASEAN-Russia Think Tanks (NARTT) and the ASEAN Centre in Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) University to facilitate promotional activities in developing people-to-people ties, academic, youth and cultural exchanges;
89. Expand professional training programmes, scholarship programmes, academic exchanges, joint research, training for diplomats, Russian language courses as well as to promote Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET);
90. Explore possible cooperation between MGIMO University and the ASEAN University Network (AUN) as well as between academic institutions in ASEAN and Russia;
91. Promote collaboration in sports development, such as through capacity building initiatives and exchanges of physical education teachers and sports professionals as well as officers involved in the management of sport facilities;
92. Enhance awareness and understanding among youths of each other's culture including through organising ASEAN-Russia Youth Summits, youth camps and other forms of youth programmes;

4. CROSS PILLARS COOPERATION

Connectivity

93. Explore ways to cooperate on ASEAN Connectivity within the five strategic areas of the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025;

Smart Cities

94. Support the ASEAN Smart Cities Network (ASCN) which aims to build communities that are resilient, innovative and well-connected and look forward Russia's active participation through partnerships and collaboration with the ASCN and cities in the ASCN on mutual areas of interest, including by exploring the establishment of an ASEAN-Russia Joint Working Group on Smart Cities;
95. Promote cooperation in the field of smart cities through exchange programs, trainings, joint workshops and participation in the special events organised in the ASEAN Member States and Russia to further develop capacity building and knowledge sharing of best practices;
96. Promote and exchange knowledge of smart cities and sustainable urban planning and development through the implementation of the ASCN cities' Smart City Action Plans (SCAPs) and the ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Strategy (ASUS);

Initiative for ASEAN Integration and Narrowing the Development Gap (IAI/NDG)

97. Support ASEAN's efforts in narrowing the development gap within and between ASEAN Member States, through the implementation of IAI Work Plan IV (2021-2025), share the best practices and experience in narrowing the development gap within ASEAN and in Russia, support Russia's integration into regional economy and contribution to the regional connectivity through implementation of the Russia's State Programme on Socioeconomic Development of the Russian Far East and the Baikal Regions;

Development Cooperation

98. Strengthen dialogue and cooperation on sustainable development to promote complementarities between the ASEAN Community Vision 2025 and the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable

Development (Complementarities Initiative) including through exchange of best practices and capacity building in areas of poverty eradication, infrastructure and connectivity, sustainable management of natural resources, sustainable consumption and production resilience, and progress reporting and measurement, as well as other areas in line with Russia's national development plans and instruments;

99. Support ASEAN institutions and mechanisms that help facilitate sustainable development cooperation in the region, including but not limited to the ASEAN Centre for Sustainable Development Studies and Dialogue (ACSDSD) in Thailand and the ASEAN Institute for Green Economy (AIGE) in Myanmar; note Russia's efforts in implementation of National Projects in the sphere of human capital development, improving the quality of economic environment and economic growth;

100. Exchange best practices and implement capacity building activities between relevant agencies, including those responsible for statistics, in the area of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) progress reporting and measurement with the aim of supporting the Voluntary National Review mechanism;

5. IMPLEMENTATION MECHANISM

101. This CPA is to be implemented by the relevant authorities of ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation through the appropriate funding support by the governments of ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation, including the ASEAN-Russian Federation Dialogue Partnership Financial Fund (ARDPFF);

102. Regularly review the progress of implementation of the CPA through the existing mechanisms of the ASEAN-Russia Dialogue Relations;

103. Submit progress reports on the implementation of the CPA to the annual PMC+1 Session with the Russian Federation.