

2024-2028 THE EAST ASIA SUMMIT PLAN OF ACTION

Adopted in Jakarta, Indonesia on 14 July 2023

This Plan of Action (POA) is intended to ensure practical coordination, cooperation, and implementation of the East Asia Summit (EAS) Leaders' statements, declarations, decisions, and initiatives.

This POA builds on the progress achieved under the Phnom Penh Declaration on the East Asia Summit Development Initiative and its Plans of Action, among other initiatives.

This POA replaces the Manila Plan of Action to Advance the Phnom Penh Declaration on the East Asia Summit Development Initiative (2018-2022), which was extended until December 2023.

This POA is aimed at building mutual trust and confidence, mutual benefit, mutual respect; enhancing dialogue and cooperation; reinforcing an open, transparent, inclusive, and ASEAN-centred regional architecture anchored in international law.

The EAS is an open, inclusive, transparent, and outward-looking forum in which we strive to strengthen global norms and universally recognised values.

The EAS, sitting at the apex of the ASEAN-centred regional architecture, continues to be a Leaders-led forum for dialogue and cooperation on broad strategic, political, and economic issues of common interest and concern with the aim of promoting peace, stability, and economic prosperity in East Asia. The EAS will also continue to pursue areas of cooperation as identified by Leaders and Ministers.

The EAS reaffirms ASEAN as the driving force within the evolving ASEAN-centred regional architecture, consistent with the purposes and principles reflected in the ASEAN Charter, the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (TAC), and the Charter of the United Nations.

The EAS further reaffirms its commitment to creating a peaceful environment for enhancing cooperation and strengthening the existing bonds of friendship among our countries in keeping with the principles of equality, partnership, consultation, and mutual respect in accordance with the Declaration of the East Asia Summit on the Principles for Mutually Beneficial Relations (the Bali Principles).

The EAS affirms the importance of the areas of cooperation of the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific (AOIP); acknowledges ASEAN's continuous efforts on the mainstreaming

and implementation of the AOIP; and recognises that the AOIP is ASEAN's own initiative, which is based on, among others, the principles of openness and inclusiveness, and is intended to enhance ASEAN Community building process, as well as strengthen and complement cooperation with all partners.

The following cooperation in EAS streams of work should be carried out in conformity with the EAS participating countries' obligations under international law and in accordance with their respective domestic laws, regulations, and policies, guided by the existing and future EAS Leaders' Statements and Declarations. The List of the EAS Leaders' Statements and Declarations adopted since 2005 is attached herewith in the Annex, to be updated by the ASEAN Secretariat on a yearly basis incorporating new EAS Leaders' Statements and Declarations.

- 1. Peace and Security**
- 2. Sustainable Development**
- 3. Climate, Environment and Energy Cooperation**
- 4. Education Cooperation**
- 5. Finance**
- 6. Health, including Pandemic Diseases**
- 7. Cooperation on Natural Disaster Management**
- 8. Cooperation on ASEAN Connectivity**
- 9. Economic Cooperation and Trade**
- 10. Poverty Alleviation**
- 11. Food Security**
- 12. Maritime Cooperation**
- 13. Strengthening EAS Institutional Capacity**
- 14. Tourism Cooperation**
- 15. Advancement and Empowerment of Women and Youth Participation**
- 16. Others as identified by Leaders and Ministers**

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PLAN OF ACTION

This Plan of Action (POA) is intended to be implemented through the EAS and other existing mechanisms of ASEAN, consistent with the principles of the ASEAN Charter, in consultation with and support from EAS participating countries, and with appropriate support from relevant regional and international organisations.

Other relevant interested parties and stakeholders may also be invited, consistent with the principles of the ASEAN Charter, in consultation with and support from EAS participating countries, to support the implementation of the EAS streams of work in this POA in an open, constructive, and inclusive manner, while upholding ASEAN Centrality.

The relevant EAS ministerial meetings and senior officials' meetings are in charge of reviewing their respective work streams and assessing the progress at regular intervals, supported by regular discussions among the Committee of Permanent Representatives to ASEAN and the non-ASEAN Ambassadors of EAS participating countries in Jakarta.

While working on the implementation of this POA and strengthening EAS institutional capacity, the Committee of Permanent Representatives to ASEAN and the non-ASEAN Ambassadors of East Asia Summit participating countries in Jakarta will continue its regular meetings, and further strengthen its work, including by developing any processes, as necessary, in consultation with relevant senior officials, to guide its work in discussing the implementation of Leaders' decisions as well as exchanging information on regional development cooperation initiatives and security policies and initiatives, and the discussions on the evolving regional architecture.

A progress report on the implementation of the POA will be submitted to the annual EAS Foreign Ministers' Meeting.

ANNEX TO THE EAST ASIA SUMMIT PLAN OF ACTION (2024-2028)

List of the EAS Leaders' Statements and Declarations adopted since 2005:

- 2005 Kuala Lumpur Declaration on the EAS
- 2005 EAS Declaration on Avian Influenza Prevention, Control and Response
- 2007 Cebu Declaration on East Asian Energy Security
- 2007 Singapore Declaration on Climate Change, Energy and the Environment
- 2009 Cha-am Hua Hin Statement on EAS Disaster Management
- 2010 Ha Noi Declaration on the commemoration of the Fifth Anniversary of the EAS
- 2011 Declaration of the 6th EAS on ASEAN Connectivity
- 2011 Declaration of the EAS on the Principles for Mutually Beneficial Relations
- 2012 Declaration of the 7th EAS on Regional Responses to Malaria Control and Addressing Resistance to Antimalarial Medicines
- 2012 Phnom Penh Declaration on the EAS Development Initiative
- 2013 Declaration of the 8th EAS on Food Security
- 2014 EAS Declaration on Combating Wildlife Trafficking
- 2014 EAS Statement on Rapid Disaster Response
- 2014 EAS Statement on the Rise of Violence & Brutality Committed by Terrorist/Extremist Organisations in Iraq and Syria
- 2014 Joint Statement/Declaration of the 9th EAS on Regional Response to Outbreak of Ebola Virus Disease
- 2015 EAS Declaration on the Global Movement of Moderates
- 2015 EAS Statement on Countering Violent Extremism
- 2015 EAS Statement on Enhancing Regional Health Security relating to Infectious Diseases with Epidemic and Pandemic Potential
- 2015 EAS Statement on Enhancing Regional Maritime Cooperation
- 2015 EAS Statement on Issues Related to Security of and in the Use of Information and Communications Technologies
- 2015 Kuala Lumpur Declaration on the Tenth Anniversary of the EAS
- 2016 EAS Declaration on Strengthening Responses to Migrants in Crisis and Trafficking in Persons
- 2016 EAS Statement on Non-Proliferation
- 2016 Vientiane Declaration on Promoting Infrastructure Development Cooperation in East Asia
- 2017 EAS Leaders' Declaration on Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism
- 2017 EAS Leaders' Statement on Chemical Weapons
- 2017 EAS Leaders' Statement on Cooperation in Poverty Alleviation
- 2017 EAS Leaders' Statement on Countering Ideological Challenges of Terrorism and Terrorist Narratives and Propaganda
- 2018 EAS Leaders' Statement on ASEAN Smart Cities
- 2018 EAS Leaders' Statement on Combating Marine Plastic Debris
- 2018 EAS Leaders' Statement on Countering the Threat of Foreign Terrorist Fighters and Returnees
- 2018 EAS Leaders' Statement on Deepening Cooperation in the Security of Information and Communications Technologies and of the Digital Economy
- 2018 EAS Leaders' Statement on the Safe and Secure Use, Storage, and Transport of Nuclear and Other Radioactive Materials
- 2019 EAS Leaders' Statement on Combating the Spread of Illicit Drugs
- 2019 EAS Leaders' Statement on Cooperation to Combat Transnational Crime

- 2019 EAS Leaders' Statement on Partnership for Sustainability
- 2020 EAS Leaders' Statement on Cooperation to Promote Steady Growth of Regional Economy
- 2020 EAS Leaders' Statement on Marine Sustainability
- 2020 EAS Leaders' Statement on Strengthening Collective Capacity in Epidemics Prevention and Response
- 2020 EAS Leaders' Statement on Women, Peace and Security
- 2020 Ha Noi Declaration on the 15th Anniversary of the EAS
- 2021 EAS Leaders' Statement on Mental Health Cooperation
- 2021 EAS Leaders' Statement on Economic Growth through Tourism Recovery
- 2021 EAS Leaders' Statement on Sustainable Recovery