

# ASEAN Minerals Development Vision



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# Introduction

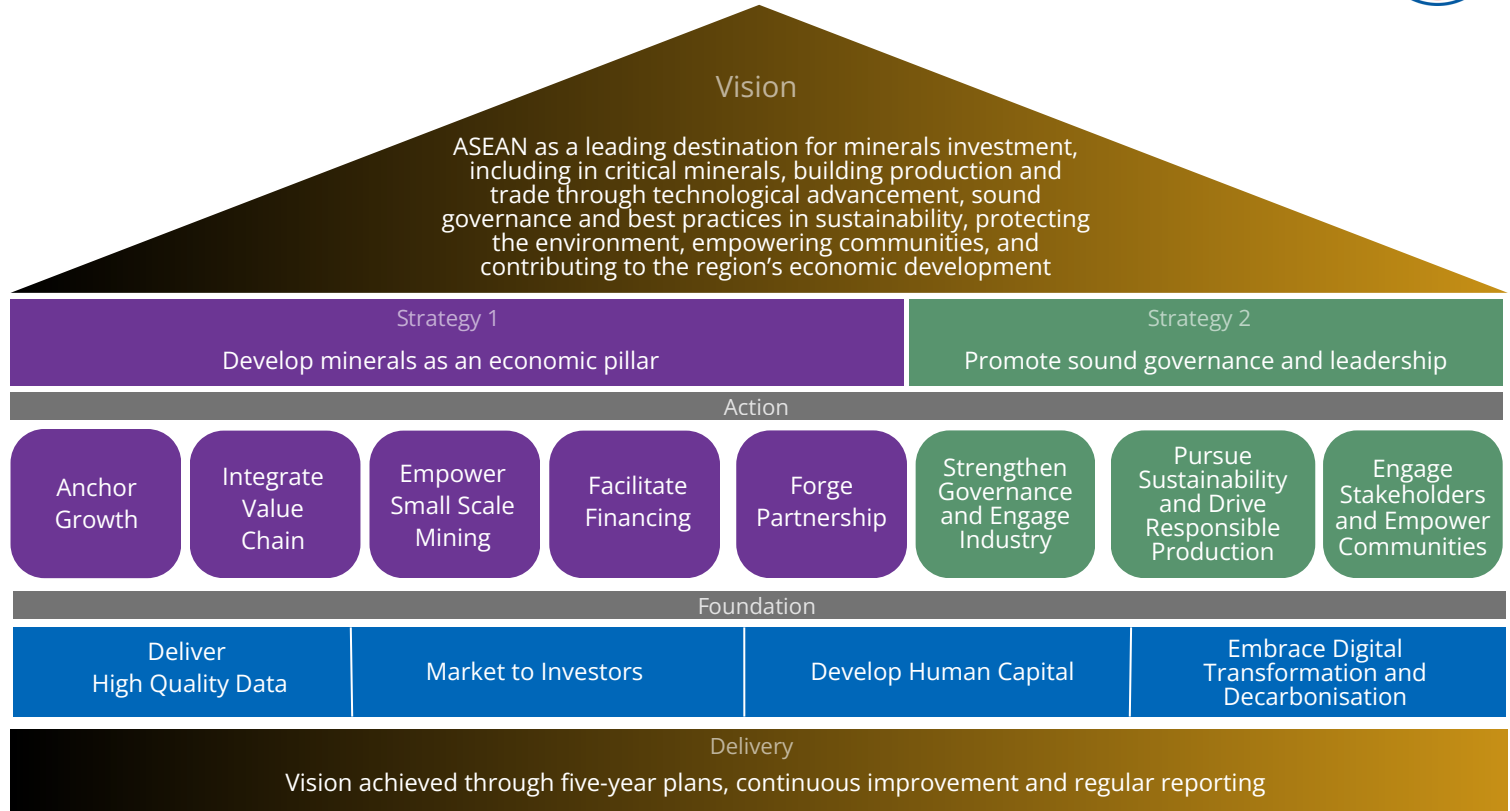
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The ASEAN Minerals Development Vision (AMDV) charts a pathway to progressive development of the region as a leading destination for investment in sustainable minerals development, meeting ASEAN demand for minerals, contributing to diverse and secure global supply chains, adopting leading practices in technology and sustainability, and contributing strongly to ASEAN economies. The Vision recognises the opportunities for ASEAN in satisfying fast-growing regional and global demand for critical minerals and the need to supply them sustainably.

The Vision provides a strategic regional approach to sustainable minerals development and guides preparation of successive five-year ASEAN Minerals Cooperation Action Plans.

# AMDV Diagram



# The Vision

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ASEAN as a leading destination for minerals investment, including in critical minerals, building production and trade through technological advancement, sound governance and best practices in sustainability, protecting the environment, empowering communities, and contributing to the region's economic development. This Vision will be delivered by activating the following strategies and actions.

# Strategy 1



**Develop the minerals sector as a key pillar of the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) that supports an integrated value chain, by boosting technical and commercial competitiveness and enhancing investment and trade.**



## Actions

### Anchor Growth



Attract global investment and increase resource-efficient production across all stages of the minerals value chain, including in critical minerals, promote intra-ASEAN and global trade in minerals and metals, and provide opportunities for ASEAN-based minerals companies and mining equipment and services companies to be established and grow.

## Develop an Integrated Value Chain



Build connections between upstream, midstream, downstream, and sidestream activities to create a vertically integrated, technically advanced and innovative minerals sector that: contributes to the economies of all ASEAN Member States; adds value to resources through carbon-efficient primary and secondary processing and a knowledge-intensive supply sector; strengthens national, regional and global supply chains; and is competitive with minerals production of other nations.

## Empower Small Scale Mining



Support artisanal and small-scale miners to become the next generation of ASEAN minerals companies by helping and incentivising them to lift their environmental, social, safety and health and economic performance to enable them to improve lives in host communities and contribute to local economies.

## Facilitate Financing



Leverage diverse financing and risk mitigation mechanisms, including green bonds, blended finance, and public-private partnerships, to secure financial resources for sustainable mineral projects, and encourage financing models that integrate commercial viability with environmental and social accountability.

## Forge Partnerships



Build and nurture strategic partnerships and cross sectoral collaborations that enhance technical capability, resource sharing and capacity building, and creating a collaborative ecosystem between industry, governments, academic and research institutions, development partners and communities, to drive sectoral growth, knowledge exchange, technology transfer and benefits flows.

## Strategy 2



**Promote sound governance and leadership in minerals development to position the sector as a key driver of sustainability through strong environmental, social and economic performance, and responsible supply of minerals.**



## Actions

### **Strengthen Governance and Engage Industry Stakeholders**



Strengthen minerals sector governance and engage industry stakeholders to: improve performance in sustainable minerals development; enable transfer of knowledge and technology; facilitate human capital development; deliver strong and inclusive economic benefits; improve safety for workers and communities; respect the environment; build support of surrounding communities; and contribute to the ASEAN sustainability agenda.

### **Pursue Sustainability and Drive Responsible Production**



Pursue sustainability through: implementing the ASEAN Principles on Sustainable Minerals Development; adopting leading practices and striving for continual improvement in policy, regulation and industry conduct; lifting environmental, social and economic outcomes; engaging positively with a broad range of stakeholders; embracing circularity along the minerals value chain; utilising energy efficiently; minimising emissions and wastes; and contributing to supply of responsibly sourced mineral products.

## Engage Stakeholders and Empower Communities

Enhance engagement of relevant stakeholders and build positive relationships with local communities and indigenous peoples through inclusivity, respect for interests, cultures and customs, by responding to concerns and requests, supporting capacity-building, facilitating social and economic development and promoting local content.

## Foundation

**Enhance investment attractiveness and governance by: providing quality information on mineral and policy prospectivity, land tenure, and geographic characteristics; marketing to investors and financiers; building workforce skills in minerals; and embracing digital transformation and decarbonisation.**

## **Deliver High Quality Data**

Provide comprehensive and transparent digital data on minerals-related characteristics of ASEAN Member States to potential investors to enable them to conduct studies, seek further data, engage with governments and communities, and make informed investment decisions; and monitoring and reporting on performance in lifting investment attractiveness and sustainability of minerals development.

## **Market to Investors**

Market the ASEAN region to potential minerals investors and financiers through direct contact, web-based applications and information packages, publications and conferences, leveraging quality geological and investment data.

## Develop Human Capital



Develop human capital to enable expanded minerals development by skilling, reskilling and upskilling the workforce to develop the capabilities required in a modern, sustainable minerals industry and to build resilient, adaptable, and inclusive capabilities to underpin long-term sectoral growth.

## Embrace Digital Transformation and Decarbonisation



Enhance efficiency, transparency, and accountability by embracing digital transformation and decarbonisation, ensuring a more intelligent, responsive, and competitive minerals sector aligned with global sustainability and governance standards

## **Delivery**

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**The Vision will be achieved through successive five-year sectoral plans and continual improvement in all aspects of sustainable minerals development through activities such as capacity building and regular reporting on progress towards the Vision's goals.**

