MASTER PLAN ON ASEAN CONNECTIVITY (MPAC) 2025 An Overview
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ASEAN Connectivity 2025 Agenda: Consolidating the Single Market Through Maritime Logistics

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ASEAN Connectivity with 3 Dimensions

Aspects which improve the regulatory environment which can enhance connectivity within member states

Promoting exchange of culture, tourism, education and know-how

Infrastructure that will support greater connectivity among and within member states
Key Features of MPAC 2025

1. Focused and Action-Oriented
2. Added Value to Existing ASEAN Initiatives
3. Emphasis on Implementation Arrangements
4. Result-Oriented Monitoring and Evaluation Mechanism
MPAC 2025 has 5 Strategic Areas

- Sustainable infrastructure
- Digital innovation
- Seamless logistics
- Regulatory excellence
- People mobility

5 Strategic Areas
5 strategic areas & 15 Initiatives

ASEAN Connectivity 2025
To achieve a seamlessly and comprehensively connected and integrated ASEAN that will promote competitiveness, inclusiveness, and a greater sense of Community

1. Establish a rolling priority pipeline list of potential ASEAN infrastructure projects and sources of funds
2. Establish an ASEAN platform to measure and improve infrastructure productivity
3. Launch sustainable urbanisation strategies in ASEAN cities
4. Enhance the MSME technology platform
5. Develop the ASEAN digital financial inclusion framework
6. Establish an ASEAN open data network
7. Establish an ASEAN digital data governance framework
8. Strengthen ASEAN competitiveness through enhanced trade routes and logistics
9. Enhance supply chain efficiency through addressing key chokepoints
10. Complete harmonisation of standards, mutual recognition, and technical regulations in three prioritised product groupings
11. Increase transparency and strengthen evaluation to reduce trade distorting non-tariff measures
12. Enhance ASEAN travel by making finding information easier
13. Ease ASEAN travel by facilitating visa processes
14. Establish new vocational training programmes and common qualifications across ASEAN Member States, in accordance with national circumstances of each ASEAN Member State
15. Support higher education exchange across ASEAN Member States

Physical connectivity
Institutional connectivity
People-to-people connectivity

Sustainable infrastructure
Digital innovation
Seamless logistics
Regulatory excellence
People mobility
## Added Value to Existing ASEAN Initiatives

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Emphasis on Implementation Arrangements

External
- Dialogue Partners and other external partners
- International organisations and multilaterals
- Sub-regional Arrangements
- Private sector and other stakeholders

Regional level
- ASEAN Connectivity Coordinating Committee (ACCC)
  - Review progress
  - Revise implementation plan (if needed)
  - Support outreach efforts
  - 2 ACCC co-facilitators for each strategy
  - Engage with Dialogue Partners and other external parties
- ASEAN Sectoral Bodies (Lead Implementing Bodies and Other Implementing Bodies)
  - Implement or coordinate the implementation of the specific initiatives and key implementing measures under their respective purview
- ASEAN Secretariat
  - Support the ACCC
  - Track progress
  - Engage with external parties

National level
- National Focal Points
  - Support, monitor and drive implementation of the respective initiatives at national level
- National Coordinators
  - Monitor national-level progress
- National-level implementing agencies

Emphasis on Implementation Arrangements
MPAC 2025 Envisioned a Result-Oriented Monitoring and Evaluation Mechanism: Metrics at 3 Levels

**Key Implementing Measures**

- Focus on metrics capturing progress on implementing measures related to initiatives

**Initiatives**

- Focus on metrics capturing progress on each prioritised initiative

**Strategic Area**

- Focus on metrics that capture the higher-level end objective in a strategic area

**Input level**

- Work with ASEAN Member States to identify national priority infrastructure projects

**Output level**

- Database with all relevant infrastructure projects in ASEAN
  - Launch of annual investor forum

**Outcome level**

- Infrastructure investment in ASEAN

**Description**

- Semi-annual progress review

**Examples of metrics**

- Semi-annual progress review

**Frequency**

- Baseline (2016)

**Mid-Term and End-of-Term Reviews (2020, 2025)**
STRUCTURE FOR COORDINATING MPAC
NATIONAL COORDINATOR (NC) & NATIONAL FOCAL POINT (NFC)

The Steering Committee (SC)
Chair: Minister of Coordinating Ministry for Economic Affairs

Member of The Steering Committee:
1. Members
2. Members
3. Members
4. ......

National Coordinator (NC): Secretariat

NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS (NFC):
- SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE
- DIGITAL INNOVATION
- SEAMLESS LOGISTICS
- REGULATORY EXCELLENCE
- PEOPLE MOBILITY
MPAC 2025
Implementation Planning Phase

Adoption of MPAC 2025 by ASEAN Leaders

Sep 2016

Development of MPAC 2025 Initiatives Concept

Nov 2016

MPAC 2025 Forum on Initiative and Project Concepts 12-14 July 2017

March – April 2017

ACCC+1 Meetings 24-25 July 2017

July 2017

ACCC Consultations with Dialogue Partners

Oct 2017

Completion of First Project Concepts or Proposals for each MPAC 2025 Initiative

Dec 2017

Implementation of First Project Concepts or Proposals for each MPAC 2025 Initiative

2018-2019

ASEAN Connectivity Coordinating Committee (ACCC) Engagements with Implementing Bodies
Experience on Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation (SREC)
ASIA-WIDE for Seamless Logistics

Six wide-ranging logistics routes in which companies should be particularly interested
INDONESIA
Distribution Logistics
Regional Economic Cooperation for SEA
Sub-Regional Economic Cooperation

Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand
Growth Triangle
IMT-GT

Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines
East Asia Growth Area
BIMP-EAGA
Completed the Economic Corridor Profiling Study - BIMP-EAGA Investment Opportunities in Corridor Value Chains and BIMP-EAGA Investment Climate Assessment in Economic Corridors
Ports Infrastructure Development

- Port of Puerto Princesa
- Port of Porto Zambonga
- Port of Newport
- Port of Cagayan de Oro
- Port of General Santos
- Port of Zambonga
- Port of Glan
- Bitung Sea Port
- Balikpapan Sea Port
- New Makassar Sea Port
- Kudat Port Ramp
- Tawau Ferry Terminal

BRUNEI INDONESIA MALAYSIA PHILIPPINES - EAST ASIAN GROWTH AREA
ASEAN RO-RO Shipping Network and Short Sea Shipping
The ASEAN Roll-on Roll-off (RORO) Davao-General Santos-Bitung route is one of the maritime initiatives under the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC).

President Rodrigo Duterte and President Joko Widodo launched the RORO on Sunday, April 30 2017.

This route aimed to boosting trade, tourism and investments.

The route operates once a week and will significantly reduce the shipping time of transported goods from the usual five weeks to just two or three days.

To optimize the route, the load of RORO must be optimized, both from Indonesia and the Philippines.
Closing Remarks

• Under MPAC, ASEAN Connectivity Coordinating Committee (ACCC) has established NC & NFC for each member country

• MPAC 2025 has 3 dimensions: Infrastructure, Institutional & People to people connectivity

• MPAC 2025 focuses on 5 strategic areas with 15 initiatives

• In SEA, regional economic cooperations involve IMT-GT, BIMP EAGA, and GMS
Thank You

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