



EUROPEAN UNION SUPPORT TO HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE ASEAN REGION

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The Support to Higher Education in the ASEAN Region (SHARE) programme is pleased to announce the resumption of its work with effect from 27 February 2021. An agreement between the EU and ASEAN has extended the programme up to the end of 2022.

The SHARE programme is the European Union's flagship higher education programme with ASEAN. The SHARE Consortium is comprised of the British Council, the DAAD, ENQA, and Nuffic. The extension will see the SHARE programme continue its support of the ASEAN Secretariat and ASEAN stakeholders to establish an ASEAN Higher Education space, thus enabling greater harmonisation of ASEAN higher education to support regional student mobility across the region. The SHARE Consortium will bring to bear its collective expertise and experience across the full scope and dimensions of international education.

A budget of €5,175,000 has been committed by the European Union, including co-financing of €175,000 by the British Council, for the next phase of the SHARE programme. The benefits will extend to a wide range of ASEAN entities, higher education institutions, and students. The SHARE programme will also catalyse the transfer of ownership of programme outcomes to ASEAN entities and nominated organisations to be embedded within sustainable ASEAN-led structures and processes. The SHARE programme extension will enable provision of further technical assistance and capacity building in the following additional areas:

- Developing ASEAN Communities of Practice for greater coordination, knowledge management, and Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning (MEL)
- Strengthening of regional initiatives on quality assurance and accreditation of higher education institutions and study programmes
- Supporting the implementation of national qualifications frameworks and the ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework (AQR)
- Contributing to the ongoing work of the ASEAN Quality Assurance Network (AQAN)
- Supporting the move to Outcome Based Education (OBE) pedagogy
- Producing a study on 'Graduate Employability in ASEAN' as part of a series of studies to support the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025
- Implementing digital modalities of internationalisation including Virtual Exchange and Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL)
- Piloting digital credentials recognition and portability to enhance the ASEAN - Europe Credit Transfer System (AECTS) mechanism

The SHARE programme is committed to supporting the upcoming third ASEAN Work Plan on Education 2021 - 2025 for the duration of the SHARE programme extension.

We look forward to working closely and collaboratively with our partners across the ASEAN Community over the coming two years.

