Outcomes of the 50th Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation/ the Commemorative Summit

1. Commemorative Summit (Tokyo, 17 December 2023)

JOINT VISION STATEMENT ON ASEAN-JAPAN FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION

Subtitle : Trusted Partners
Building on mutual trust, ASEAN and Japan will strengthen the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership that is meaningful, substantive, and mutually beneficial under the following three pillars, embracing ASEAN unity and centrality:

1) Heart-to-Heart Partners across Generations
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3) Partners for Peace and Stability

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN : 130 cooperation items based on the three pillars

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1. Heart-to-Heart Partners across Generations

*Connecting “Heart-to-Heart” relations to the next generation by further fostering mutual understanding through exchanges that benefit both ASEAN and Japan*

- “Partnership to Co-create a Future with the Next Generation: WA Project 2.0”
  Comprehensive People-to-People exchange programs through Intellectual and Cultural exchanges and “NIHONGO (Japanese language) Partners”, which will benefit more than 10 million people over the next 10 years (40 billion Yen).

- **Promotion of sustainable researchers network**
  Further promote a sustainable researcher network with ASEAN countries by launching a new project to support initiatives based on common understanding with ASEAN countries, including international joint research and human resource exchange and development (15 billion Yen).

- **Networking of young business leaders, Study program in Japan for ASEAN Secretariat officials**
  Establishment of Young/Generation Z Business Leaders’ Community for human resources exchanges and collaboration among start-ups, study program in Japan (ex. public policy) for prospective young officials of ASEAN Secretariat, dispatch of young government officials and other personnel of ASEAN to Japan Association for EXPO2025, film co-production
2. Partners for Co-creation of Economy and Society of the Future

Aiming for a resilient economy and society by bringing each other’s strengths, finding solutions to mounting challenges and making vitality of both Japan and ASEAN flow back and forth

➢ New Efforts in Public-Private Partnership for Finding Solutions through Co-creation
   ■ Asia Zero Emission Community (AZEC) platform
     Simultaneous achievement of economic growth, energy security and decarbonization/Energy transitions through various pathways towards the common goal of carbon neutrality/policy support and collaboration implemented by Asia Zero Emission Center (to be established at ERIA)
   ■ ASEAN-Japan Co-Creation Initiative for the Next-Generation Automotive Industry
     Developing and implementing a master plan to make ASEAN remain a world’s central production and export hub for the automobile industry
   ■ Boosting the private investment for strengthening connectivity, climate change measures, and support for MSMEs & start-ups
     Promotion of New Efforts such as Introduction of the Co-Creation for Common Agenda Initiative, Starting-up of “Private Capital Mobilization-type Grant”, Further utilization of Overseas Loans and Investments, aiming to mobilize more than 35 billion US dollars in public and private funds in ASEAN region over the next five years through boosting the private investment.
3. Partners for Peace and Stability

Contributing to peace and prosperity in the region where people of ASEAN and Japan live together and Co-creating the world where all people enjoy prosperity and human dignity is protected

- Efforts for a free and open international order based on the rule of law
  - Support for development of human resources in cybersecurity at ASEAN-Japan Cybersecurity Capacity Building Centre (AJCCBC)
  - Humanitarian Assistance for the people of Myanmar through AHA Center

- Deploy various efforts in the field of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation based on “Hiroshima Action Plan”, cooperation on law and justice including legal technical assistance, Women, Peace and Security (WPS), cybersecurity, defense exchanges and cooperation and Official Security Assistance (OSA), taking into account the situation in each country
### 2. Cooperation throughout the 50th Year 2023

Each Initiative = Reflected in the Implementation Plan adopted at Commemorative Summit

ASEAN and Japan will work together for its implementation

#### Sports (Chiang Mai Declaration)

**Overview**
- Chiang Mai Declaration was adopted at the 4th ASEAN plus Japan Ministerial Meeting on Sports in 2023 to strengthen ASEAN-Japan cooperation on sports towards 2030. Its priority areas are:
  1. Development of physical education teachers,
  2. Advancing sports for persons with disabilities,
  3. Increasing participation in women in sports
  4. Anti-doping activities
  5. Sports management

**Concrete Actions (on sports management)**
- Strengthening ASEAN-Japan sports business relations
- Capacity building of sports professionals
- Knowledge exchange on organizing major sports events
- Achieving SDGs through sports

#### Tourism (Joint Media Statement)

**Overview**
- Joint Media Statement was adopted at the ASEAN-Japan Tourism Ministers’ Special Dialogue in 2023, commemorating the 50th Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation. It outlined the direction of future cooperation in the tourism sector in order to promote sustainable tourism and mutual exchanges.

**Concrete Actions**
- Capacity building and knowledge sharing in sustainable tourism
- Collaboration between governments, the private sector and relevant stakeholders
- Broadening the scope of tourism exchanges across diverse fields

#### Economy (“ASEAN-Japan Economic Co-Creation Vision” & “Future Design and Action Plan”)

**Overview**
- In view of “co-creation” based on the trust established over the past 50 years, “vision” and “plan” were released at AEM-METI Consultation in 2023. “Vision” charts the next 50 years and the co-creation of future-oriented industries. “Plan” includes measures by the governments of ASEAN and Japan.

**Concrete Actions**
- Promotion of Asia Zero Emission Community (AZEC) platform
- Promotion of the open innovation including through ASEAN-Japan business co-creation
- Networking of young business leaders for next generations
- Development of business environment in ASEAN with ERIA

#### Economic Cooperation (Japan-ASEAN Comprehensive Connectivity Initiative)

**Overview**
- Prime Minister Kishida newly announced “Japan-ASEAN Comprehensive Connectivity Initiative” at the ASEAN-related Summit Meetings in September 2023 to further strengthen regional connectivity in both hard and soft cooperation.
- Transport infrastructure development projects worth 2.8 trillion yen are being implemented. Capacity building projects will be provided for 5,000 individuals over the next 3 years.

**Concrete Actions**
- Transport infrastructure development, digital connectivity, maritime cooperation, supply chain resilience, electricity connectivity, human and knowledge connectivity

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As for Climate Change, AZEC Summit was held on December 18 (See the attached document)
2. Cooperation throughout the 50th Year 2023 (continued)

Transport (Luang Prabang Action Plan)

Overview
- Luang Prabang Action Plan was adopted at the 21st ASEAN-Japan Transport Ministers Meeting in 2023 to further strengthen transport cooperation over the next 10 years, commemorating the 50th Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation and the 20th Year of ASEAN-Japan Transport Partnership.

Concrete Actions
- Projects such as human resource development and technical assistance being implemented under the 5 pillars (Resilient Supply Chains, Enhancing People-to-People Connectivity, Decarbonization and Sustainable Transport, Inclusive and Accessible Transport, Safe and Secure Transport).

Agriculture (MIDORI Cooperation Plan)

Overview
- MIDORI Cooperation Plan was adopted at the Meeting of ASEAN-Japan Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry in 2023 to implement cooperation projects by utilizing Japan’s technologies and experience. It aims to contribute to the resilient and sustainable agricultural & food systems and food security in ASEAN.

Concrete Actions
- JCM utilizing Alternate Wetting and Drying Technology to reduce methane generation from paddy fields
- Automatic steering technology using GPS to improve productivity
- Reduction of fertilizer through automatic plotting technology and soil diagnosis of farmland using satellite data

Environment (SPACE*)

Overview
*SPACE: Strategic Program for ASEAN Climate and Environment
- SPACE was launched at the ASEAN-Japan Ministerial Dialogue on Environment and Climate Change in 2023, aiming to address 3 unprecedented global crises: climate change, pollution and biodiversity loss.

Concrete Actions
- Climate change: Climate-related financial disclosures, “Fukuoka-Method” methane reduction, early warning systems through PPP
- Pollution: Plastic pollution countermeasures enhancement, development of e-waste related laws and regulations
- Biodiversity loss: Development of National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP)

Justice (Joint Statement•Work Plan)

Overview
- “Joint Statement” was adopted at the ASEAN-Japan Special Meeting of Justice Ministers in 2023 as guidelines for ASEAN-Japan cooperation in the field of law and justice.
- First time to adopt ASEAN-Japan political document in this field.

Concrete Actions
- Legal technical assistance, ASLOM-Japan Consultation on a regular basis, use of international arbitration and mediation, cooperation in criminal justice, systematic and institutional exchange of legal experts, and promotion of the rule of law including improving access to justice and intellectual property dispute resolution.
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### Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF) Fact Sheet

#### What’s JAIF?
- Established in 2006 with Japan’s initial contribution of 70 million USD to assist the integration efforts of ASEAN Member States and community building and narrowing development
- Over 860 million USD contributions from Japan since 2006
- More than 570 projects implemented or on-going

### Japan’s New Contribution of 100 million USD to JAIF (March 2023)

#### [Examples of Cooperation Projects for AOIP Mainstreaming]

#### 1. Support for Functions of ASEAN Secretariat (ASEC)
- Employment of ASEC Officers for monitoring AOIP cooperation, WPS
- Development of E-learning Training for ASEC Officers

#### 2. Human Resource Development of Young Government Officials of ASEAN
- Master’s Degree Programme for Attachment Programme Graduates
- Contribution to ASEAN Junior Fellowship Fund
- Timor-Leste’s new participation to Attachment Programme
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3. AOIP Cooperation in Four Priority Areas (Project Examples)

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*VTS: Vessel Traffic Services

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*GNSS: Global Navigation Satellite System

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*AHA Centre: ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management