

Theme



ASEAN CAMBODIA 2022

ASEAN A.C.T.:
Addressing Challenges Together

In 2022, Cambodia has the honour of serving as the ASEAN Chair for the third time under the theme “ASEAN A.C.T.: Addressing Challenges Together”. The theme underscores ASEAN’s spirit of “Togetherness” as one community and the common will in our collective endeavour to address and overcome challenges facing our region.

“**Togetherness**” emphasizes the action-oriented approach of ASEAN that is based on openness, good faith, solidarity, and harmony within the ASEAN family.

Under this theme, Cambodia seeks to bring our stone to the building of harmonious ASEAN Community that is peaceful, stable, and prosperous, underpinning ASEAN’s engagement with the wider region and regional responses to the impacts and uncertainties posed by regional and global challenges. These include the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and sustainable development, rivalries between major powers, protectionism, territorial disputes, trade wars and technology rivalries, and other traditional and non-traditional security threats.

Building on the achievements of the previous chairmanships, Cambodia will steer ASEAN’s collective efforts to accomplish our important tasks, especially in expediting the building process of an equitable, strong, and inclusive ASEAN Community, which are in line with core spirit of ASEAN: “One Vision, One Identity, One Community”.

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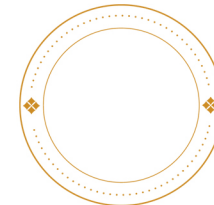


The Concept of the Logo of ASEAN 2022

The lotus flower symbol represents a form of Khmer art derived from the relief carvings on the walls of ancient Khmer temples, which depicts purity and self-regeneration. The lotus flower symbol is beautifully encased in an intricate golden circle with the ASEAN emblem at the center to symbolize prosperity and harmony in peace. The meticulous placement of these symbols altogether embodies the spirit and joint efforts of the 10 ASEAN nations bound together by friendship and solidarity with the common overarching goal of overcoming all challenges towards the inclusive and sustainable development of the ASEAN Community now and in the future.



The blue color on
6 of the petals



The golden circle



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The blue color on 6 of the petals represents peace, stability, trust, confidence, solidarity, and cooperation which are the core aspiration of ASEAN.

The red color of 4 petals represents life, health, courage and dynamism of ASEAN.

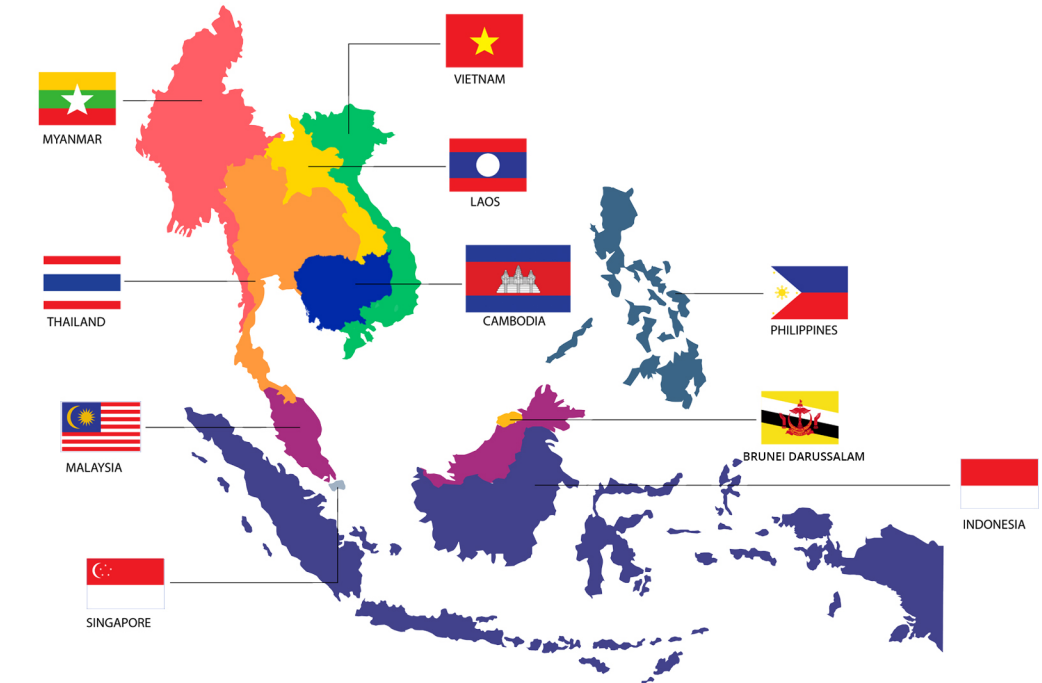
The golden circle signifies grandeur, success, achievement and victory around the ASEAN Community building process, and sense of togetherness and unity of ASEAN.

The mixed colors epitomize the ethnic diversity of the 10 ASEAN Member States.

Priorities

SUMMARY

CAMBODIA’S PRIORITIES FOR ASEAN IN 2022



PRIORITIES

1. ASEAN POLITICAL-SECURITY COMMUNITY



Strengthening ASEAN Centrality in the ASEAN-led mechanisms in maintaining and upholding peace, security, and prosperity

One of our focuses will be to foster complementarities among various strategies and initiatives by promoting cooperation in the four areas outlined under our ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific.

2025

ASEAN Community Post 2025 Vision and Sustainable Development

In pursuit of an ASEAN Community that is people-centred and people-oriented, ASEAN will seek to ensure tangibility of benefits for the peoples across the whole region, leaving no one behind.



Regional contribution to global peace through peacekeeping operations

We will work to sustain a positive momentum of ASEAN's proactive contribution to UN peacekeeping operations, and the incorporation of the Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) agenda and promote further ASEAN's visibility through ARMAC.



Enhancing Women Peace and Security (WPS) agenda

We will promote the interests and roles of women in conflict prevention, conflict resolution, peacebuilding as well as in the implementation of the ASEAN Comprehensive Recovery Framework.



Promoting ASEAN's external relations

ASEAN continue to maintain peace and stability, to promote sustainable development and prosperity, as well as to enhance the ASEAN Community building efforts by reinvigorating and expanding partnerships with external partners through ASEAN-led mechanisms while maintaining ASEAN Centrality in the evolving regional architecture.



Timor-Leste's application for ASEAN membership

To expedite Timor-Leste membership in ASEAN, we look forward to leading ASEAN in facilitating the completion of all necessary procedures stipulated in the ASEAN Charter for the admission of Timor-Leste.

2. ASEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY



Realise an inclusive, sustainable and resilient post-COVID-19 ASEAN Community

ASEAN will accelerate and further harmonize our COVID-19 recovery efforts with a holistic approach in cooperation with key stakeholders and external partners to ensure that the ASEAN Community will be inclusive, sustainable and resilient in the post-pandemic era.

Strengthen ASEAN's competitiveness and regional integration

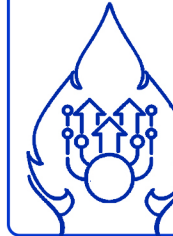
We will advance ASEAN's transformation into a highly competitive and integrated region by optimizing the utilization of the existing regional free trade agreements and ensuring effective implementation of the RCEP (Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership).



Future-proof ASEAN's Growth and Prosperity

ASEAN will enhance focus and actions in the following areas that are fundamental to the long-term prosperity in the region—regional connectivity, people-to-people exchange, digital economy and e-commerce, science and technology, digitalization, innovation and industrial transformation, MSMEs and women entrepreneurship, global supply chains and the development gap.

3. ASEAN SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMUNITY



Enhance ASEAN values, awareness and identity

ASEAN will take a whole-of-society approach in strengthening ASEAN values, awareness and identity amongst the peoples of ASEAN through education, youth, women empowerment, sport and culture.



Promote human resource development and women empowerment

ASEAN will support sustainable development by fostering the growth of human capital and promoting cooperation and empowerment of ASEAN's youth and women to facilitate long-term socioeconomic development and social well being.



Enhance health, well-being, and social protection for the peoples of ASEAN

In realising an inclusive and resilient ASEAN Community, ASEAN will further strengthen its capacity and capability to respond to new challenges—such as disasters, pandemics, climate change—without leaving anyone behind, especially vulnerable groups such as migrant workers.



Strengthen ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community's institutional capacity and effectiveness

We will further strengthen the institutional capacity and human resources development of the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community through the adoption and use of digital technology and innovation.