

## ADB-ISEAS JOINT WEBINAR

### IMPLEMENTING A GREEN RECOVERY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

Date: 6 July 2022 (Wednesday)

Time: 9.00 – 10:30am Singapore/Manila time (UTC+8)

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#### About the Webinar

As countries begin to recover from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, policy makers must decide what type of economic recovery they want to pursue. Will they choose measures that continue with existing “business-as-usual” economic structures that have a negative impact on the environment? Or will they take up the challenge of rebuilding in a way that ensures an economically and environmentally resilient future.

A green recovery approach is crucial for Southeast Asia in addressing the worsening impacts of climate change and biodiversity loss and strengthening the region’s long-term competitiveness. Among the green growth opportunities that have significant economic potential in terms of creating jobs, reversing environmental damage, and achieving the sustainable development goal targets are: productive and regenerative agriculture, sustainable urban development and transport models, clean energy transition, circular economy models, and healthy and productive oceans.

This webinar will discuss how these green growth opportunities can be harnessed as governments increasingly recognize the need for recent policy measures to focus on environmental sustainability or ‘greenness’, address climate change, and strengthen disaster preparedness. How can governments minimize the negative impacts of fiscal stimulus packages on the environment? What role can regional cooperation play to build back greener and more resilient post-pandemic? What are sustainable sources of financing to ensure the sustained momentum towards this path?

#### Program (in Singapore/Manila time)

0900 – 0905	<b>Welcome and introduction</b>  <b>Moderator: Naeeda Crishna Morgado</b> Infrastructure Specialist Southeast Asia Department Asian Development Bank
0905 – 0915	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ramesh Subramaniam</b> Director General, Southeast Asia Department Asian Development Bank</li> <li>• <b>Choi Shing Kwok</b> Director and Chief Executive Officer ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</li> </ul>
0915 - 0935	<b>Keynote Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sharon Seah</b> Senior Fellow, ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>James Villafuerte</b> Senior Economist, Southeast Asia Department Asian Development Bank (ADB)</li> </ul>
0935 – 1015	<p><b>Panel discussion: Maximizing Green Growth Opportunities towards Achievement of the SDGs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jayant Menon</b> Senior Fellow, ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</li> <li>• <b>Bonaria Siahaan</b> Chief Executive Officer Yayasan CARE Peduli</li> <li>• <b>Ferry Akbar Pasaribu</b> Deputy Assistant for Investment Strategy Coordinating Ministry for Maritime and Investment Affairs Government of Indonesia</li> <li>• <b>Lorraine Elliott</b> Professor Emerita Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs Australian National University</li> <li>• <b>Paroche Hutacharoen</b> Senior Expert on Bond Market Development Public Debt Management Office Ministry of Finance, Thailand</li> </ul>
1015 – 1030	Moderated Q&A
1030	<b>Closing</b>

### Implementing a Green Recovery in Southeast Asia

(<https://www.adb.org/publications/implementing-green-recovery-southeast-asia>)

The third in a four-part series, the report shows how COVID-19 has presented countries with a chance to hit the reset button and build a socially, economically, and environmentally resilient future.