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Catalyzing people-centric smart city transformation in Southeast Asia through digital solutions

The ASEAN Australia Smart Cities Trust Fund (AASCTF) assists selected ASEAN cities in enhancing their planning systems, service delivery, and financial management by developing and testing appropriate smart urban solutions and systems. By working with cities, AASCTF facilitates their transformation to become smarter and more livable—thereby, more green, competitive, resilient, and inclusive, so that the uniquely vibrant cultures, economies, and urban ecosystems of the ASEAN region prosper, leaving no one behind.

Established in April 2019, AASCTF is a single-donor trust fund financed by the Government of Australia, through its Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), managed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), and implemented by global consulting firm Ramboll.

KEY FUND FIGURES

2019–2024
PROJECT DURATION

\$13.95 million
TOTAL FUNDING
(or A\$20 million)

9 cities
CITIES WITH PILOT INTERVENTIONS
(and two regional programs)

ALIGNED WITH

[ADB Smart City Analytical Framework](#) and the [ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Strategy](#)

ADVANCES THE
ASEAN Smart Cities Network

ADOPTION OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVE KEY FUNCTIONAL AREAS

 PLANNING SYSTEMS

 SERVICE DELIVERY

 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

ADDRESSING CROSSCUTTING THEMES

 GENDER EQUALITY, DISABILITY, AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

 CLIMATE CHANGE AND RESILIENCE

 PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT

LEVERAGE

Partnership support and investment capital

IDENTIFY

Scalable and replicable best/next practices in ASEAN

WHICH ASEAN CITIES ARE SUPPORTED BY AASCTF?

AASCTF is currently working with 24 cities across 8 ASEAN countries. Support under AASCTF is provided in varying levels of engagement, technical assistance, and financing, depending on DFAT priorities, ADB investments, and the cities' needs. There are 9 cities with direct pilot intervention support, while there are two regional programs open to all AASCTF participating cities – some of these are completed and others will be completed by the end of 2023 or early 2024. These include the following:



MAKASSAR (INDONESIA)
Makassar Smart and Liveable Urban Development Framework



PENANG (MALAYSIA)
Smart Mobility Micro-Simulation Model Development



LUANG PRABANG (LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC)
Integrated & Smart Tourism, Heritage and Urban Plan



BAGUIO (PHILIPPINES)
Baguio City Smart Flood Warning, Information and Mitigation System, incorporating a Gender Transformative Approach for Strengthened Development, Application and Replication of the Baguio City FEWS



BATTAMBANG (CAMBODIA)
Smart Solid Waste Financial Management



DAVAO (PHILIPPINES)
Davao Bus Driver Training & Technology Study – Pilot Preparation & Implementation Support



KAYSONE PHOMVIHANE (LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC)
Enhanced Employment Service Platform with Matching Tool and E-Learning Modules (Phase 1) and Strengthening Soft Skills for Youth Employability



HUE (VIET NAM)
Smart Digital City Model for Master Planning



EASTERN ECONOMIC CORRIDOR (THAILAND)
City Visioning and Strategic Urban Data Platform Assessment

REGIONAL PROGRAMS

- Baseline Development and Capacity Building for AASCTF Participating Cities
- Smart Cities-Inclusive Cities Capacity Building Programme for AASCTF Participating Cities

HOW TO ENGAGE WITH AASCTF?

1 Share your ideas and interact with us on social media
AASCTF believes in giving a voice to citizens. Follow us in X, LinkedIn, and Facebook to see, react, and comment on our updates.

3 Participate in AASCTF webinars, dialogues, and other events
To drive thought leadership and inspire action, AASCTF organizes events and also joins local and international forums or conferences.

2 Be informed and join the AASCTF newsletter mailing list
Stay up to date on the latest developments on smart livable cities by [signing up](#) for our newsletters and special mailers.

4 Sign up for training and capacity building programs
AASCTF supports locally led change, and with our capacity development activities, you can become empowered to lead smart solutions.

5 Enroll in our e-learning courses
These courses are a way to make smart city transformation accessible to all. The courses are free and available in the ADB eLearn website. Simply create an account to enroll.

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