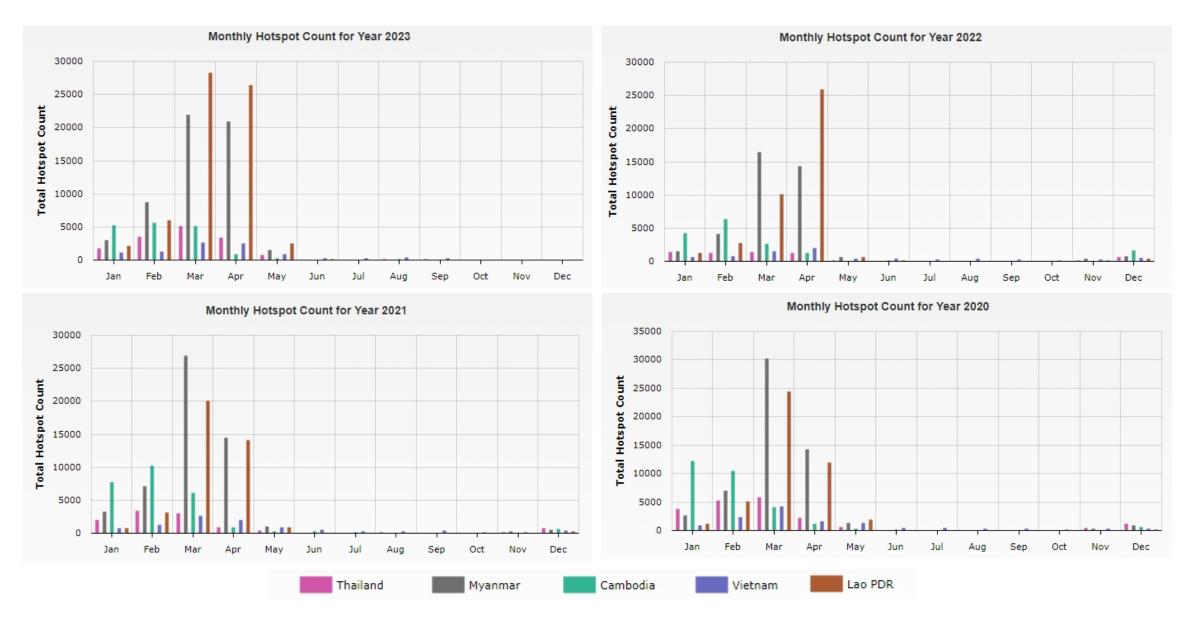
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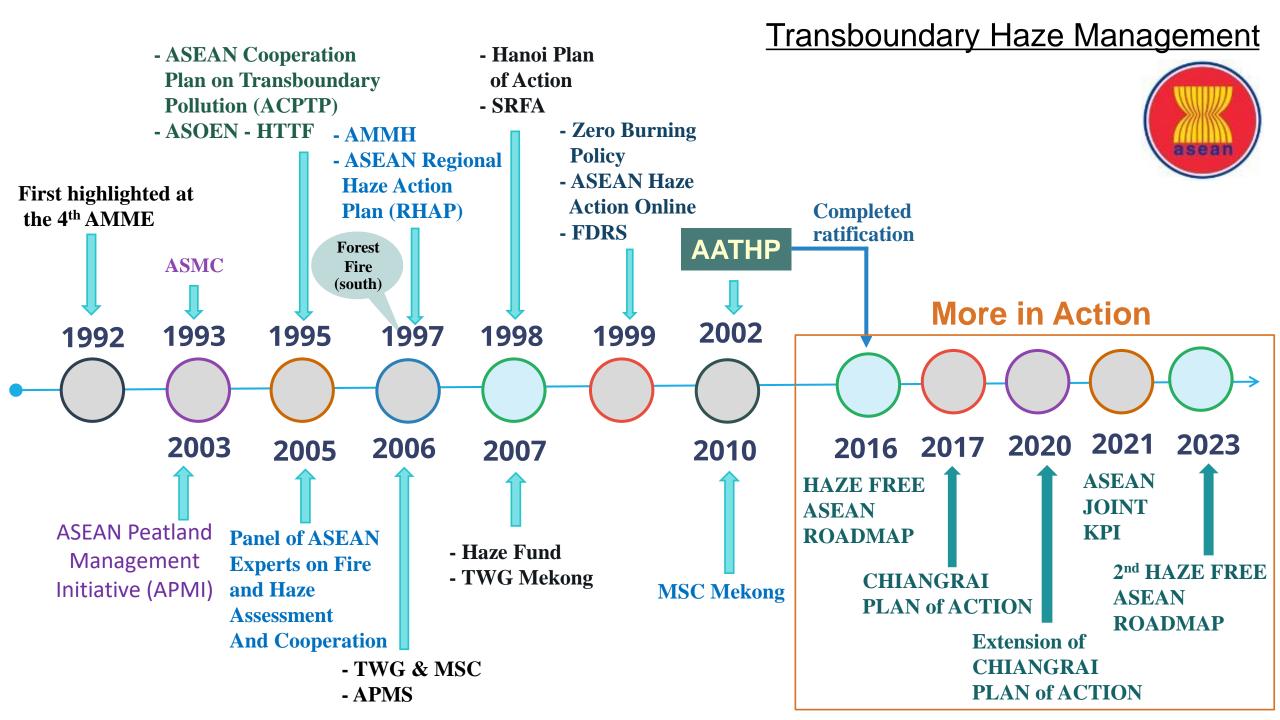
"Response of governments such as the sub-regional cooperation among countries in the Mekong Region"

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Transboundary Haze in Mekong Sub-region



Data from ASEAN Specialised Meteorological Centre (ASMC)



'CLEAR Sky Strategy' Lao PDR-Myanmar-Thailand

C – 'Continued Commitment,' to working closely towards the goal of reducing hotspots, as charted in the Chiang Rai Plan of Action adopted by five countries in the Mekong sub-region in 2017

L – 'Leveraging Mechanisms,' at all levels including through relevant bilateral mechanisms at local levels with Lao PDR and Myanmar

E – 'Experience Sharing,' by exchanging information and implementation of legislative measures

A – 'Air Quality Network,' whereby increased and concerted cooperation among air quality networks of countries in the sub-region are encouraged

R – 'Response,' that is effective and timely



CLEAR Sky Joint Action Plan

<u>Short</u> – database, fire risk map <u>Medium</u> – traceability, accreditation <u>Long</u> – sustainable land management

Cost of Inaction in Thailand & Transboundary Air Pollution













- [Left] Cost of inaction is significant (2.0% of Thailand's GDP in 2030)
- [Right] Implementation of all 12 solutions in the whole ASEAN region would bring another 0.6 billion USD per year of avoided damage costs in Thailand --> Thus, ASEAN needs to work together

Amplifying Cooperation

9 strategies

4 outputs

The 2nd Roadmap for ASEAN
Cooperation on Transboundary
Haze Pollution Control
with Means of Implementation

Clean Air for Sustainable ASEAN (CASA)

SERVIR Southeast Asia

Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)

4 outputs

Clean Air Flagship

- Intensifying efforts and further strengthen actions and measures to control air pollution sources
- Utilising existing cooperation mechanisms to exchange best practices, and share knowledge and information
- Strengthening the aspirations to reduce health effects from air pollution and to limit negative effects of air pollution on climate change

Way Forward



Thank You