

PROVISIONAL AGENDA
(as of 19 November 2019)

Meeting Objectives	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief the Working Group on the salient features of the proposed GMS long-term strategic framework and present the RIF 2022 Second Progress Report and Update Discuss ADB's ASEAN Smart City Initiative and financing opportunities in the GMS context Discuss ADB financing for sustainable blue economy, particularly regional cooperation towards reducing land-based pollution along the Mekong River Agree on the next steps, including the preparation of the next regional meeting 	
Chair:	Dr. Bunnarith Meng, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction
Co-Chair:	Mr. Antonio Ressano Garcia, Principal Urban Development Specialist, Urban Development and Water Division (SEUW), Southeast Asia Department (SERD), Asian Development Bank (ADB)
DAY 1: 5 December 2019, Thursday	
0830–0900	Registration
0900–0930	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Remarks by Chair Introduction of Participants Recap of 2nd GMS Working Group Meeting on Urban Development by SEUW, ADB
0930–1045	Session 1: ADB's Ocean's Health Action Plan In May 2019, ADB launched its Action Plan for Healthy Oceans and Sustainable Blue Economies. This Action Plan commits to expanding ADB investments and technical assistance to \$5 billion between 2019–2024. Among its priority areas, the Action Plan focuses on reducing land-based sources of marine and river pollution including plastics and wastewater. Through the Action Plan, ADB can further support the GMS in cooperating on knowledge-sharing, policy interventions, action planning, pilot projects, and investment preparation to improve ocean health and grow sustainable blue economies. The discussion will focus on identifying entry points for aligning the Action Plan with ongoing and future operations of urban and water sectors in the GMS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Deborah Robertson, Environment Specialist, SDTC-ENV, SDCC, ADB
1045–1100	Coffee, Tea Break
1100–1200	Roundtable discussion on Session 1: ADB's Ocean's Health Action Plan
1200–1330	Lunch Venue: Borei Café
1330–1500	Session 2: ADB's ASEAN Smart City Initiative (ASCI) In April 2019, ADB launched its ASEAN Smart City Initiative (ASCI). The initiative is being financed by the Government of Australia with a total of \$15 million for technical assistance and small grants. The scope of work of the ASCI will focus on developing digital solutions for cities in three main areas: (i) urban planning, (ii) service delivery and (iii) financial



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	<p>management. The activities will mainly focus on capacity building and knowledge sharing, designing proof of concepts (with goods and equipment) and the preparation of grant investments. The discussion will focus on identifying entry points for aligning the ASCI with ongoing and future operations of urban and water sectors in the GMS and looking at eventual city twinning arrangements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Antonio Ressano Garcia, Principal Urban Development Specialist, SEUW, SERD, ADB • Mr. Soren Hansen, Team Leader of Consulting Team for ASCI
1500–1530	Group Photo + Coffee, Tea Break
1530–1700	Roundtable discussion on Session 2: ADB's ASEAN Smart City Initiative (ASCI)
1800–2000	<p>Dinner hosted by ADB Venue: Pavilion Garden, Borei Angkor Resort and Spa</p>
DAY 2: 6 December 2019, Friday	
0830–0900	Registration
0900–0945	<p>Session 3: Recent Development and other Linkages with the GMS Program The Working Group will be briefed on the salient features of the proposed GMS long-term strategic framework which the GMS Ministers will endorse at the 23rd GMS Ministerial Conference in November 2019 for further adoption at the GMS Leader during the 7th GMS Summit. The RIF 2022 Second Progress Report and Update will also be presented, highlighting the progress of the Urban Development and Other Multisector/Border Economic Zones pipeline of projects and explore collaboration with other sector projects in the same geographic areas of Urban Development projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Pinsuda Alexander, Economist, SERC, SERD, ADB
0945–1000	Coffee, Tea Break
1000–1130	<p>Session 4: Country Update (not exceeding 10 mins per country)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambodia • People's Republic of China • Lao People's Democratic Republic • Myanmar • Thailand • Viet Nam
1130–1230	<p>Closing Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next steps (4th Urban WG Meeting Date, host, venue, theme) • Other matters • Wrap-up by Co-Chair • Concluding Remarks by Chair
1230–1400	<p>Lunch Venue: Borei Cafe</p>