

**CONFERENCE ON  
COVID-19 IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, 2020-2022:  
RESTRICTION, RELIEF, RECOVERY**

**28 - 29 July 2022  
Seminar Rooms 1 & 2  
ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute  
Singapore**

**PROGRAMME**  
*(as of 30 June 2022)*

**Day 1 – Thursday, 28 July 2022** (Register [here](#))

9.30 am – 10.00 am      Registration

10.00 am – 10.15 am      **Welcome Remarks**

*Mr Choi Shing Kwok*  
Director and CEO  
ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute

*Mr Andreas Klein*  
Director of Political Dialogue Asia  
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

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10.15 am – 12.05 pm      **PANEL 1: Covid-19 in the Transition Economies: Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar**

Moderator: *Moe Thuzar*  
ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute

Presenters: *Teng Delux & Pen Socheata*  
Cambodia Development Research Institute  
**Cambodia's Covid-19 Impacts and Economic  
Recovery Pathways: Aspects and Perspectives**

*Phouphet Kyiphilavong & Khaysy Srithilat*  
National University of Laos  
**Laos' Covid-19 Recovery Pathways**

*Sandii Lwin, Kyaw San Wai & Nilar Win*  
Myanmar Health and Development Consortium  
**Capabilities, Coup-vid and Cataclysm: Myanmar's  
Responses to Covid-19**

Discussant: *Jayant Menon*  
ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute

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12.05 pm – 1.15 pm	Lunch
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1.15 pm – 3.05 pm	<p><b>PANEL 2: Policy Coordination in Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand: Horizontal and Vertical Dimensions</b></p> <p>Moderator: <i>Francis Hutchinson</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</p> <p>Presenters: <i>Yanuar Nugroho &amp; Sofie Syarif</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute <b>To be or not to be? Dilemmas of Covid-19 Policy Implementation and Coordination in Indonesia</b></p> <p><i>Tricia Yeoh</i> Institute for Democracy and Economic Affairs (IDEAS) <b>Conflict and Cooperation: Covid-19 Policy Coordination in Malaysia</b></p> <p><i>Punchada Sirivunnabood</i> Mahidol University <b>The Drama of Vaccine Politics: Covid-19 Inoculation Distribution in Thailand</b></p> <p>Discussant: <i>Siwage Dharma Negara</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</p>
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3.05 pm – 3.25 pm	Coffee & Tea
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3.25 pm – 4.55 pm	<p><b>PANEL 3: Vaccination and Reopening: Country-level and ASEAN Experiences</b></p> <p>Moderator: <i>Melinda Martinus</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</p> <p>Presenters: <i>Tham Siew Yean &amp; Andrew Kam</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute; IKMAS-UKM Malaysia <b>Determinants of Covid-19 Vaccine Rollouts in Southeast Asia</b></p> <p><i>Sara Abdullah</i> ASEAN Secretariat <b>ASEAN's Response to COVID-19: Collaboration Towards Reopening</b></p> <p>Discussant: <i>Sanchita Basu Das</i> Asian Development Bank</p>
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4.55 pm – 5.00 pm	<b>Day 1 Closing Remarks</b>
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**Day 2 – Friday, 29 July 2022 (Register [here](#))**

9.00 am – 10.50 am	<p><b>PANEL 4: Economic Relief and Stimulus: Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand</b></p> <p>Moderator: <i>Cassey Lee</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</p> <p>Presenters: <i>Melati Nungsari</i> Asian School of Business <b>Malaysian Covid-19 Economic Stimulus Packages: Too Little, Too Late?</b></p> <p><i>Terence Ho</i> Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy <b>Singapore: Support for Households and Businesses During the Pandemic</b></p> <p><i>Archanun Kohpaiboon &amp; Juthathip Jongwanich</i> Thammasat University <b>Economic Relief and Stimulus: Evidence from Thailand</b></p> <p>Discussant: <i>Lee Hwok Aun</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</p>
10.50 am – 11.10 am	Coffee & Tea
11.10 am – 1.00 pm	<p><b>PANEL 5: Managing and Mismanaging the Pandemic: Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam</b></p> <p>Moderator: <i>Maria Monica Wihardja</i> ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute</p> <p>Presenters: <i>Arief Ramayandi &amp; Siwage Dharma Negara</i> Asian Development Bank; ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute <b>Indonesia’s Covid-19 Mobility Restrictions: Rationales and Consequences</b></p> <p><i>Sheena Valenzuela &amp; Ronald U. Mendoza</i> Ateneo de Manila University <b>Economics of Lockdown: Balancing Health and the Economy in the Philippines</b></p> <p><i>Nguyen Thu Huong &amp; Nguyen Thang</i> Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS) <b>Vietnam’s Pandemic Passage: From “Zero Covid” to Flexible Adaptation</b></p> <p>Discussant: <i>Dean Dulay</i> Singapore Management University</p>
1.00 pm – 1.05 pm	<b>Conference Closing Remarks</b>
1.05 pm – 2.30 pm	Lunch