

Seminar on Challenges in Cooperation and Communication for Development in Southeast Asia

“Sharing Experience Learnt from the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)”

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Overview

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The Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP)

- ❖ Young nation with no resources but had friends like Japan, Germany and countries in the British Commonwealth
- ❖ Singapore has been providing technical assistance since the 1960s
- ❖ The Singapore Cooperation Programme was established in 1992

The Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP)

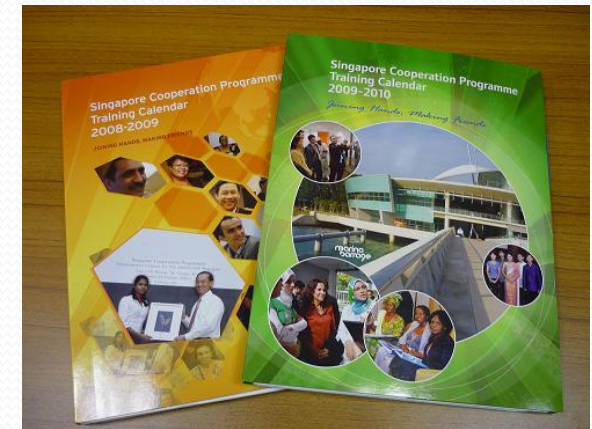
❖ SCP Philosophy:

*“Give a man a fish and you will feed him for a day
Teach a man to fish and you will feed him for life”*

❖ Focus on human resource capacity building

The SCP Structure

- ❖ **Bilateral Programmes**
 - ❖ Annual Training Calendar
 - ❖ Focus on human capacity building and core areas where Singapore has expertise
- ❖ **Third Country Training Programmes (TCTP)**
 - ❖ Pool resources and expertise from both sides

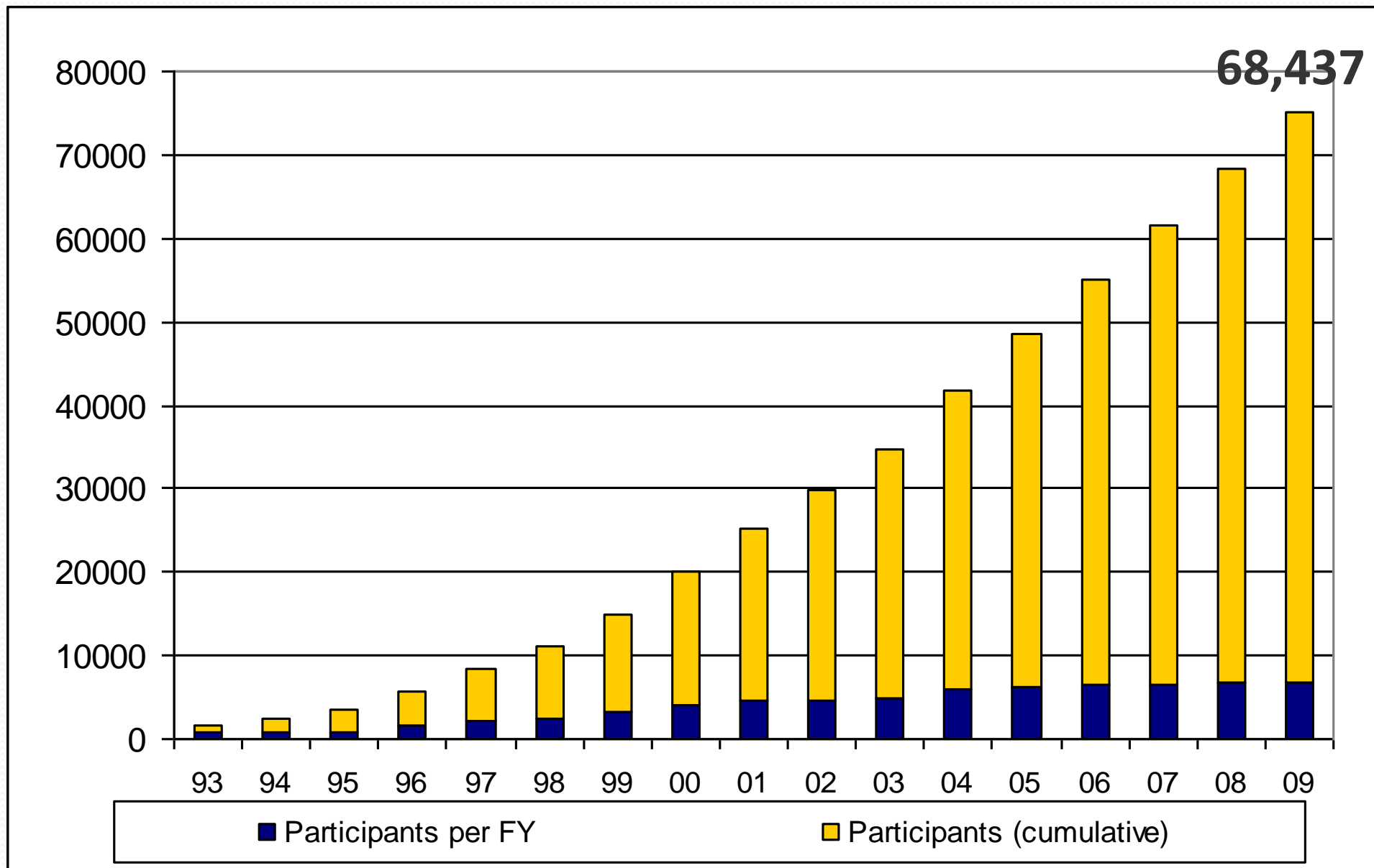


The Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP)

❖ SCP's key areas of training:

1. Civil Aviation
2. Economic Development, Trade and Tourism
3. Education
4. Environment and Urban Development
5. Healthcare, Disaster Response and Emergency
6. Information and Communication
7. Land Transport and Port Management
8. Public Administration, Governance and Law

SCP Participants from 1993 to 2009



SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

Singapore

FY	Participants per FY	Participants (cumulative)	Recipient Countries
1993	849	849	54
1994	850	1,699	59
1995	934	2,633	61
1996	1,536	4,169	76
1997	2,056	6,225	91
1998	2,417	8,642	105
1999	3,145	11,787	110
2000	4,156	15,943	100
2001	4,582	20,525	113
2002	4,619	25,144	109
2003	4,846	29,990	100
2004	5,859	35,849	128
2005	6,300	42,149	138
2006	6,436	48,485	142
2007	6,445	55,274	137
2008	6,452	61,726	147
2009	6,729	68,437	169

Indicators at a Glance

Since 1992 (as at March 2010)

- ❖ **68,437** middle to senior level officials trained
- ❖ **6,729** trained in FY2009
- ❖ **169** recipient countries
- ❖ **35** Third Country Training Partners

Third Country Training Programmes with Partner Countries



Australian Government



Canadian International Development Agency



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Korea International Cooperation Agency



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Third Country Training Programmes with IOs & NGOs



The Asia Foundation



Hanns Seidel Foundation



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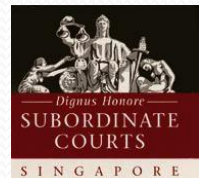


WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

SINGAPORE COOPERATION PROGRAMME

Singapore

More than 50 Training Agencies



SCP's Key Best Practices

❖ Commitment

- ❖ Towards building human capacity
- ❖ Narrowing development gap
- ❖ Achieving MDGs

❖ Consultation

- ❖ Involvement of key stakeholders
- ❖ Structured feedback and evaluation mechanisms

❖ Collective Sharing

- ❖ Sharing knowledge and experiences
- ❖ Strategic partnerships – South-South & Triangular
- ❖ Adopt and/or adapt



Introduction to the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)

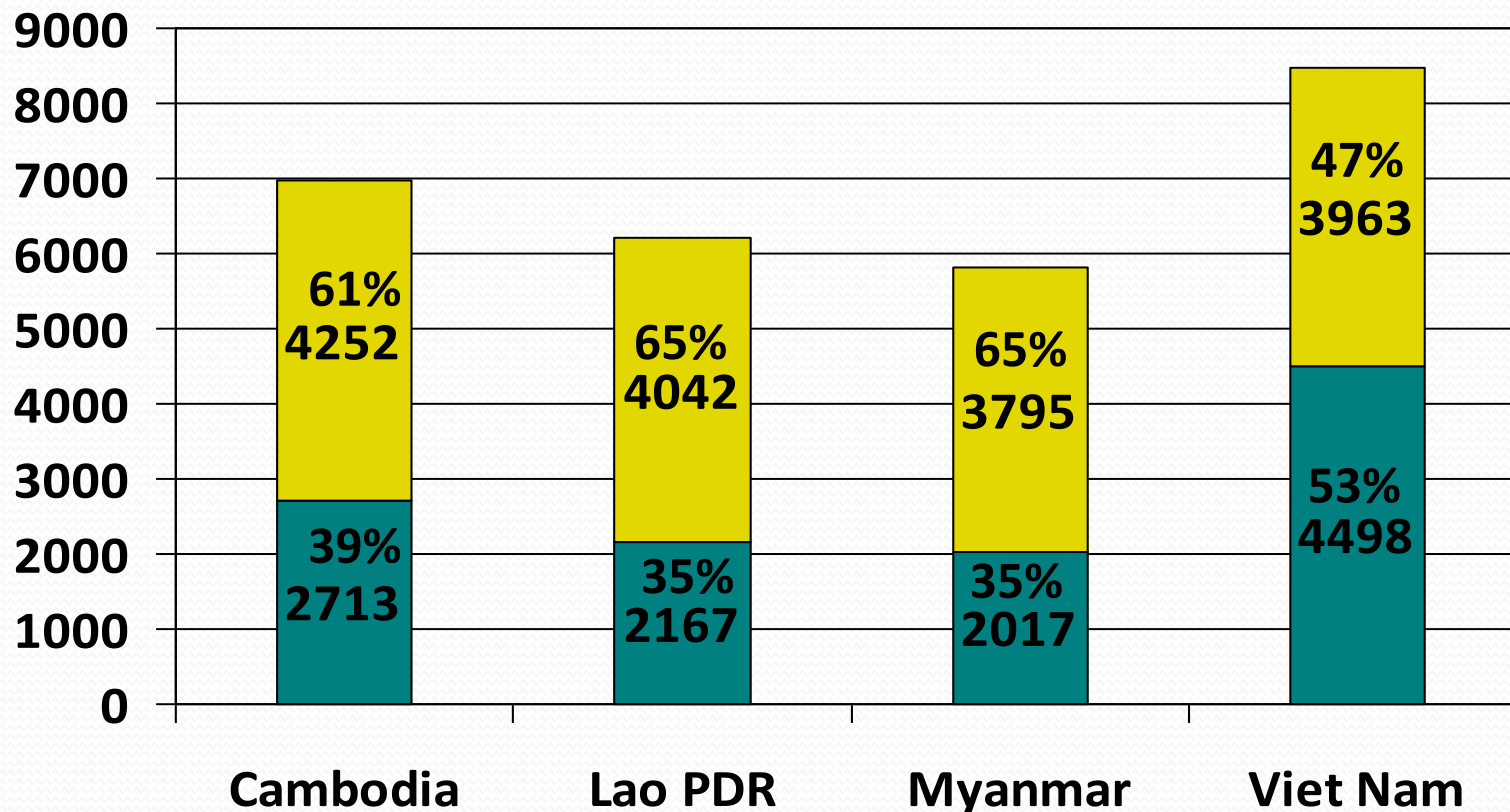
- ❖ Launched in 2000 at the 4th ASEAN Informal Summit in Singapore
- ❖ Aims to help new and less developed members achieve the goal of an integrated ASEAN community by 2015
- ❖ Singapore has pledged close to S\$119 million to the IAI since 2002
- ❖ Countries of focus: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Vietnam (CLMV)

Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)

- ❖ Accelerate the integration of CLMV countries through human capacity building programmes
- ❖ Established a training centre in each of the CLMV capital
- ❖ Over last 8 years, 16,052 out of 27,447 officials who participated in SCP were trained at the IAI training centres in CLMV (58.5%)
- ❖ Work closely with CLMV countries to identify and assess their development needs in offering technical assistance
- ❖ Applied SCP's key best practices (3Cs)

Initiative for ASEAN Integration

- ❖ Train more (sufficient mass) with same resources and timeframe



Breakdown of CLMV Participants



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Cambodia-Singapore Training Centre

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Lao-Singapore Training Centre

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Myanmar-Singapore Training Centre

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Vietnam-Singapore Training Centre

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IT Training Programme Conducted in Myanmar-
Singapore Training Centre IT Lab

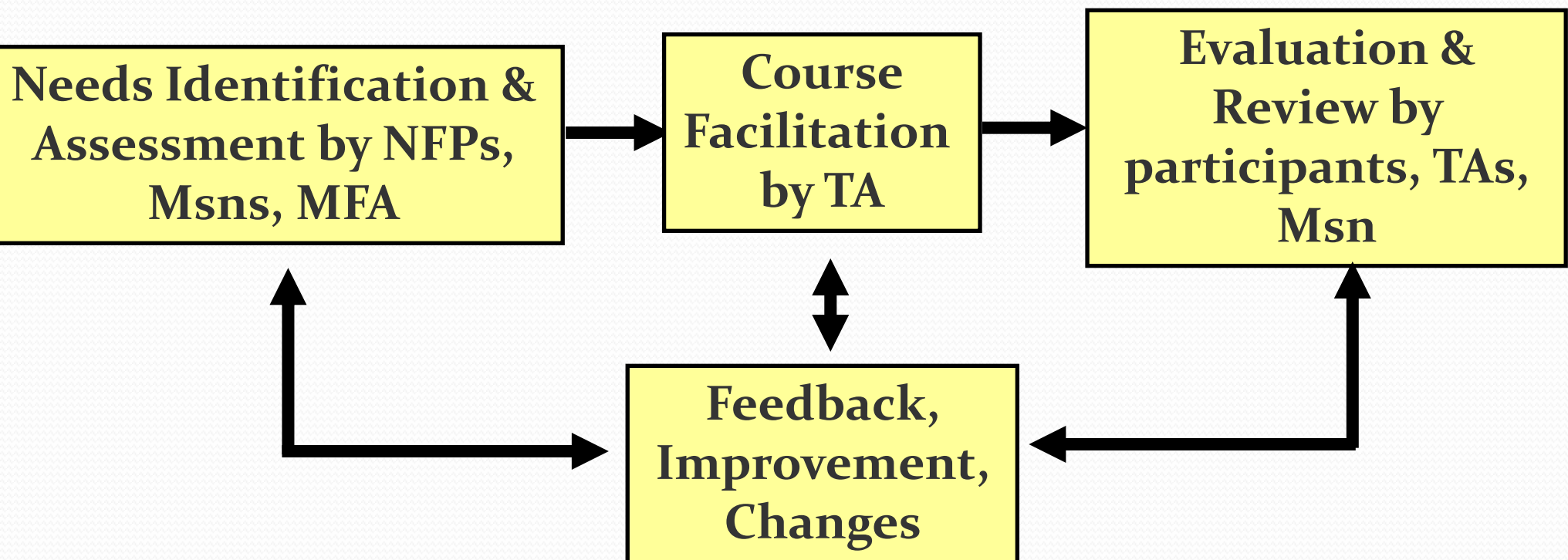
Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)



Trainer interacting with participants at the
Vietnam-Singapore Training Centre

Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)

- ❖ Innovative Institutional Arrangements
 - ❖ Establish IAI Work Flow with Feedback Channel



Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI)

❖ Tangible Outcomes

1. Accelerated integration of newer ASEAN countries into ASEAN
2. Shortened learning curve and enhanced competitiveness
3. CLMV participants acquired relevant skills and knowledge aligned to their priority development needs
4. Recipient countries had a direct, proactive role in determining their development and learning journey

Challenges for Technical Cooperation

- ❖ Responding to changing regional and global landscape
 - ❖ i.e. environmental sustainability, emerging diseases and pandemics, trade and economics, disaster response and management
- ❖ Doing more with same or less
- ❖ Achieving win-win outcomes
- ❖ Creating synergistic partnerships

Thank You

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