



**PRESS RELEASE**  
**MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMY**  
**BIMP-EAGA STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING /**  
**SENIOR OFFICIAL MEETING (SPM / SOM)**

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**Bandar Seri Begawan, Thursday, 25 Ramadhan 1443/ 28 April 2022**

1. BIMP-EAGA Strategic Planning Meeting / Senior Official Meeting (SPM/SOM) was held on Thursday, 28th April 2022, via video conference. The meeting was chaired by Janet M.Lopez, Under Secretary for Department of Trade and Industry, Republic of Philippines.
2. Attending the virtual Meeting were BIMP-EAGA Senior Officials, Chairs of BIMP-EAGA Clusters and Working Groups, BIMP-EAGA Facilitation Centre (BIMP-FC), Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Chair of BIMP-EAGA Business Council. Brunei Darussalam was represented by Yang Mulia Dr. Hajah May Fa'ezah binti Haji Ahmad Ariffin, Permanent Secretary (Economy) and officers from the Trade Division at the Ministry of Finance and Economy.
3. The Meeting took note on the presentations by Chairs of the eight BIMP-EAGA Clusters namely Transport, Trade and Investment Facilitation, ICT, Power and Energy Infrastructure, Agribusiness, Tourism, Environment and Socio-Cultural Education which highlighted among others 2022 deliverables and implementation plan, list of Rolling Pipelines of Projects (RPoPs) for 2020-2022, Convergence Projects and Priority Infrastructure Projects (PIPs).
4. The Meeting also provide guidance and recommendations, among others to leverage on social media platforms to strengthen coordination, supports projects on clean and green energy and environmental sustainability, encourage to make reference on Framework of Circular Economy of ASEAN Economic Community and supports projects related to tourism recovery.
5. The Meeting took note the progress and discussed the way forward on BIMP-EAGA cooperation with Development Partners particularly on the implementation of projects and initiatives with The People's Republic of China and Republic of Korea. The Meeting also look forward to the possible signing of the Framework of Economic Cooperation with Japan and to continue consultation with Australia on the proposal to become BIMP-EAGA Development Partner.



6. The Meeting took note on the 25th BIMP-EAGA Ministers Meeting and Related Meetings which will be held tentatively on 23rd – 26th November 2022, in Pontianak, Indonesia.



**SIARAN AKHBAR  
KEMENTERIAN KEWANGAN DAN EKONOMI  
MESYUARAT PERANCANGAN STRATEGIK / MESYUARAT PEGAWAI-  
PEGAWAI KANAN BIMP-EAGA (SPM/SOM)**

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**Bandar Seri Begawan, Khamis, 25 Ramadhan 1443/ 28 April 2022**

1. Mesyuarat Perancangan Strategik / Mesyuarat Pegawai-Pegawai Kanan BIMP-EAGA (SPM / SOM) telah diadakan pada hari Khamis, 28hb April 2022, melalui persidangan video. Mesyuarat dipengerusikan oleh Puan Janet M.Lopez, *Under Secretary*, Jabatan Perdagangan dan Industri, Republik Filipina.
2. Mesyuarat tersebut turut dihadiri oleh Pegawai-Pegawai Kanan dan Pengerusi-Pengerusi Kluster dari negara-negara ahli BIMP-EAGA, BIMP-EAGA *Facilitation Centre*, *Asian Development Bank* dan Pengerusi Kouncil Perniagaan BIMP-EAGA. Negara Brunei Darussalam diwakili oleh Yang Mulia Puan Dr. Hajah May Fa'ezah binti Haji Ahmad Ariffin, Setiausaha Tetap (Ekonomi) dan pegawai-pegawai di Bahagian Perdagangan di Kementerian Kewangan dan Ekonomi.
3. Mesyuarat telah mengambilmaklum penerangan yang disampaikan oleh Transport, Trade and Investment Facilitation, Pengerusi-Pengerusi daripada lapan Kluster BIMP-EAGA iaitu *Transport, Trade and Investment Facilitation, ICT, Power and Energy Infrastructure, Agribusiness, Tourism, Environment and Socio-Cultural Education* yang melaporkan antarlain *deliverables* dan plan pelaksanaan bagi tahun 2022, senarai projek-projek 2020-2022, projek *Convergence* dan Projek-Projek Keutamaan Infrastruktur (PIPs).
4. Mesyuarat juga memberikan beberapa panduan dan saranan antarlainnya untuk memanfaatkan platform media sosial untuk meningkatkan kordinasi, menyokong inisiatif yang memfokuskan kepada teknologi hijau dan bersih serta persekitaran yang mampan, menggunakan *Framework of Circular Economy of ASEAN Economic Community* sebagai panduan dan menyokong projek ke arah pemulihan sektor pelancongan.



5. Mesyuarat mengambilmaklum mengenai perkembangan terkini dan juga membincangkan tindakan lanjut berhubung dengan kerjasama bersama Rakan Pembangunan BIMP-EAGA terutamanya mengenai pelaksanaan projek dan inisiatif dengan Republik Rakyat China dan Republik Korea. Mesyuarat juga membincangkan kemungkinan penandatanganan *Framework of Economic Cooperation* dengan Jepun serta konsultasi lanjut dengan Australia mengenai cadangan untuk menjadi Rakan Pembangunan BIMP-EAGA.
6. Mesyuarat juga mengambilmaklum mengenai Mesyuarat Menteri-Menteri BIMP-EAGA kali ke-25 dan Mesyuarat Berkaitan yang akan diadakan pada 23hb-26hb November 2022 di Pontianak, Indonesia.