

**“The Impact of the Global Economic Downturn on the ASEAN Countries
and How to Mitigate the Impact on the Poor”**

15-16 December 2009

Phnom Penh Hotel, Phnom Penh

**Organised by Cambodia Development Resource Institute (CDRI)
and Cambodian Economic Association (CEA)**

Tentative Programme

Day 1 (15 December 2009)

07:30-08:30 Registration

08:30-09:00 **Opening Session**

Introductory Remarks: **Mr Chan Sophal**, President CEA and Research Advisor CDRI
Welcome Remarks: **Mr Larry Strange**, Executive Director CDRI

09:00-09:30 **Opening Remarks**

H.E. Keat Chhon, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy and Finance (MEF)

09:30-10:00 Refreshments Break

Session I: Macro Level Impact and Policy Responses

10:00-12:00 Chair: **Professor Euston Quah**, President of Economic Society of Singapore

“Global Economic Downturn, Its Impact on the Cambodian Economy and Policy Responses”
H.E. Dr Ros Seilava, Deputy Secretary General of the Supreme National Economic Council

“Policy Response to Global Financial Crisis for a Small, Open Economy: The Case of Singapore”

Prof. Chew Soon Beng, Division of Economics, NTU, Singapore

“Impact of Financial Crisis on the Thai Economy and Policy Responses”

Dr Srawooth Paitoonpong, Senior Research Specialist, TDRI, Thailand

“The Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on Malaysia: Policy Responses and Implications”

Prof. Dr Mohammad Haji Alias, Faculty of Economics and Muamalat, University Sains Islam Malaysia and Vice President, Malaysian Economic Association, Malaysia

12:00-13:00 **Lunch Break (Buffet Lunch at Phnom Penh Hotel)**

13:00-15:00 **Macro Level Impact and Policy Responses (continued)**

Chair: **Professor Winfred Villamil**, President of Philippine Economic Society

“The Global Financial Crisis and Economic Integration”

Mr Lukman Hakim, University of Sebelas Maret, Solo, Indonesia

“The Impact of the Global Crisis on the Indonesian Banking Sector”

Dr Iman Gunadi, Financial Economist of Bank of Indonesia, Indonesia

“The Global Economic Crisis, the Role of Big Countries and the Impact on ASEAN Countries”

Dr Le Kim Sa, Editor, Hanoi Asia Pacific Centre, Vietnam

15:00-15:30 Refreshments Break

Session II. Sectoral and Micro Level Impact

- 15:30-17:30 Chair: **Prof. Dr Mohammad Haji Alias**, President of Malaysian Economic Association (TBC)
"Global Financial Crisis and Growth Prospects in Asia Pacific: A Sectoral Analysis"
Dr Aekapol Chongvilaivan, Fellow, ISEAS
"The Impact of the Economic Downturn on Employment and Livelihoods in Cambodia"
Mr Ngo Sothath, Researcher, Cambodian Economic Association
"Does Trade Liberalisation lead to Increased Output? An Examination into the Malaysian Manufacturing, Agriculture and services Sector"
Assoc. Prof. Dr Saadiah Mohamad, Director, WIEF-UiTM International Centre Universiti Teknologi MARA, Malaysia
- 19:00-21:00 Dinner (Venue to be confirmed)

Day 2 (16 December 2009)

Session II. Sectoral and Micro Level Impact (Continued)

- 08:00-10:00 Chair: **Prof. Didik J. Rachbini**, President of Indonesian Economists Association (TBC)
"The Global Economic Downturn: Opportunities or Crisis?"
Mr Lim Sovannara, National Economist, UNDP Cambodia
"Improving SMEs Position in the Pursuing of Higher Economic Growth for Employment Creation and Poverty Reduction in Indonesia"
Prof. Mangara Tambunan, Professor, Bogor Agricultural Institute, Indonesia
"Labour Market Effects of the Crisis and the Government Response: The Philippine Case"
Dr Fernando Aldaba, Professor, Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines
"The Global Crisis and Food Security in Indonesia"
Prof. Bustanul Arifin, Professor, Bogor Agricultural Institute, Indonesia

10:00-10:30 Refreshments Break

Session III. Policy Response and Impact Monitoring Mechanisms

- 10:30-12:30 Chair: **Mr Larry Strange**, Executive Director CDRI
"Economic Recession 2008/9- Malaysia's Response"
Dr Thillaisundaram Arumugam, Malaysian Economic Association, Malaysia
"The Global Financial Crisis: Measures to Mitigate the Impacts on ASEAN Countries"
Dr Tran Duc Minh, Deputy Secretary General of Vietnam Economic Association
"The Global Economic Crisis, Food Security, Expected Policy Responses and Local Economy Roles"
Dr Hermantho Siregar, Vice Sector of Bogor Agricultural University, Indonesia
"Community Based Monitoring System as a tool to monitor impact at the community level"
Dr Celia Reyes, CBMS Network Leader, Philippines
- 12:30-13:30 Lunch Break (Buffet Lunch at Phnom Penh Hotel)
- 12:30-13:30: Moderator: **Mr Chan Sophal**, President CEA
FAEA Council Luncheon Meeting (for official delegates from each association/society only)
- 13:30-14:45: Report of decisions made in the FAEA Council Meeting and transfer of FAEA Chairmanship
- 14:45-15:00: **Concluding Remarks**
Mr Larry Strange, Executive Director CDRI
- 17:00-20:00: River Cruise and Dinner (gather at 5:00pm at Phnom Penh Hotel to depart)