



PROCEEDINGS

The 2nd SEAMEO TED GOVERNING BOARD MEETING 2019

Himawari Hotel, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

24-25 October, 2019

I. Introduction

1. The 2nd SEAMEO Technical Education Development (SEAMEO TED) Governing Board Meeting was held at Himawari Hotel, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on 24-25 October, 2019.

II. Opening Ceremony

2. Dr. Doung Vuth, Center Director of SEAMEO TED delivered welcoming remarks and expressed his deep appreciation to all of the invited guests and Governing Board Members (GBMs) for their attendance. He acknowledged this meeting to mark the beginning of collaboration and partnership between SEAMEO TED and other SEAMEO member countries. He shared that the 2nd GBM aims to discuss, evaluate and provide constructive insights and to gain the final approval for all 9 working papers.

3. SEAMEO TED Director shared a video presentation on SEAMEO TED accomplishment in FY 2018/2019. He expressed the highest gratitude and appreciation to Her Excellency Madame Ton Sa Im, Under Secretary of State, MOEYS of Cambodia SEAMEO Secretariat, all Governing Board Members, Partners and Colleagues who had continuously supported SEAMEO TED.

4. Prof. Dr. Ngo Bunthan, Rector of Royal University of Agriculture delivered his remark. He appreciated SEAMEO TED for good cooperation established in this fiscal year.

5. Dr. Seng Sokheng, Vice President, National Polytechnic Institute of Cambodia (NPIC), Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training represented on TVET for Skills Development in Cambodia delivered his remark to the delegates.

6. He shared the roles of NPIC and the collaborations between the NPIC and SEAMEO TED.

7. Mr. Shahrir Shafiek, the representative of LABTECH International Ltd, located in Indonesia delivered his remarks and shared the Best Practices and Outlooks for the 21st Century Skills Development.

8. Dr. Wahyudi, Deputy Director for Programme and Development of SEAMEO Secretariat warmly greeted GB Members, the Centre Director, and all the attendees. He expressed his appreciation for the convening of the 2nd GB Meeting of SEAMEO TED.

9. He stated that the GB Meeting is an important event for the SEAMEO Centres where the Centres propose and seek approval and guidance regarding its programmes and activities. In addition, the meeting can provide valuable technical inputs and professional advices to the Centres thus contributing to the sustainable development of human resources in the region through the enhancement of education, science and culture. He also specified that SEAMEO has contributed a lot to the whole Southeast Asian region over the last five decades through the SEAMEO Centres.

10. He then congratulated SEAMEO TED for all significant achievements in enhancing the quality of technical and vocational education in the region.

11. H.E Mrs.Ton Sa Im, Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, Cambodia delivered her opening remark. She welcomed all Governing Board Members and delegation from SEAMEO Countries who joined in the 2nd GBM. She also shared the aspects of technical education in general and in Cambodia in particular and the role of TVET on social economic progress.

Photo Session

12. After the opening formalities, the emcee invited all GB Members to have a photo session with H.E Mrs. Ton Sa Im, Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, Cambodia.

Section B

13. INTRODUCTION OF THE PARTICIPANTS

14. SEAMEO Secretariat opened the session by inviting Dr. Doung Vuth, SEAMEO TED Director, to lead the introduction of GB Members.

15. SEAMEO TED Director Dr. Doung Vuth asked GB members to introduce themselves.

16. Dr. Wahyudi, Deputy Director for Programme and Development, SEAMEO Secretariat mentioned that eight Governing Board Members and the representatives were present in the meeting and have fulfilled the quorum. The list of the GB members and representatives are as follows:-

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| a. Brunei Darussalam | Dr. Sheikh Lukman S A Hamid, Principal Central for Institute of Brunei Technical Education |
| b. Cambodia | Mr. Meak Chantheng, Deputy Director of Vocational Orientation Department, Ministry of Education Youth and Sport, representative for Cambodia |
| c. Malaysia | Ms. Zanariah Haji Ahmad, Deputy Director Technical and Vocational Education and Training Division, Ministry of Education |
| d. Myanmar | Mr. Aung Myatt Soe, Principal of Yangon Education College |
| e. Philippines: | Engr. Raul La Rosa, Director III Bureau of Learning Resources, Department of Education |
| f. Singapore | Mr. Aw York Bin, Deputy CEO (Industry) Institute of Technical Education, Ministry of Education |
| g. Timor-Leste: | Mr. Deolindo da Cruz, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, Villa-Verde Dili |
| h. Vietnam: | Associate Prof. Dr. Do Van Dung, President of Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology and Education, Ministry of Education and Training |

III. Election of the Chairperson, Vice -Chairperson and Chief Rapporteur

17. Dr. Wahyudi, Deputy Director for Programme and Development, SEAMEO Secretariat led the election of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Chief Rapporteur in accordance with the SEAMEO Guidelines for Governing Board Meeting. He said that the Governing Board Members have to nominate one GB member to be appointed as a Chairperson, Vice-chairperson and Chief Rapporteur. The outcome was as below:

- Mr. Aw York Bin, from Singapore was elected as the Chairperson.
- Dr. Sheikh Lukman S A Hamid, from Brunei Darussalam was elected as the Vice-Chairperson
- Ms. Zanariah Haji Ahmad, from Malaysia was elected as the Chief Rapporteur.

IV. Adoption of Agenda and Approval of the Programme Meeting

18. The Chairperson presented the agenda of the 2nd SEAMEO TED GB Meeting and requested the GB members to approve the agenda.

Decision: The 2nd SEAMEO TED GBM Agenda as proposed by the SEAMEO TED were adopted.

V. Matters for Information

1.WP-01/GBM-2/2019 (Significant Points, Agreement and Actions Taken on Key Agenda Items from SEAMEO Meeting in FY 2018/2019)

19. Dr. Wahyudi, Deputy Director for Programme and Development, SEAMEO Secretariat presented the significant points, agreements, and actions taken from SEAMEO Meetings for fiscal year 2018/2019. SEAMEO Secretariat shared that fiscal year 2018/2019 for SEAMEO started from July 2018 and ended in June 2019. The GB members were informed on the SEAMEO priority areas and the key meetings and their outcomes.

Discussions:

20. GB Members appreciated the accomplishment of SEAMEO Secretariat as shown in the video presentation by Dr. Wahyudi, Deputy Director for Programme and Development.

Decision: The GB Meeting take note and support WP 1 on the significant points, agreements, and actions taken from SEAMEO Meetings for fiscal year 2018/2019.

2. WP-02/GBM-2/2019 (Revised SEAMEO TED's Logo)

21. SEAMEO TED presented working paper on proposal to revise SEAMEO TED's logo.

Discussions:

22. GB member of Singapore requested to show the difference between the old and new logo.

23. Explanation on the logo was given by SEAMEO TED's Director.

Decision: GB members approved WP-02/GBM-2/2019 on the revision of SEAMEO TED's Logo

3. WP-03/GBM-2/2019 (Proposal to revise SEAMEO TED' Enabling Instrument, Organizational Structure and Job Description)

24. SEAMEO TED presented working paper on proposal to revise SEAMEO TED's Enabling Instrument, Organizational Structure and Job Description.

Discussions:

25. GB member of the Philippines suggested to revise the word "expertise" to "excellence" in the vision statement.

26. GB member of Vietnam suggested to remove the word "Development" in the vision statement.

27. The final vision statement is "To be the Centre of Excellence in Technical Education"

28. The GB members agreed with the mission statement.

29. The GB members agreed on the focus of the Centre will be on High School Technical Education.

30. SEAMEO Secretariat sought clarification on the limit of the term of SEAMEO TED's management and staff positions.

31. SEAMEO TED Director responded that the Centre will follow the guidelines from the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport (MoEYS) of Cambodia.

32. SEAMEO TED Director clarified that the Centre shall administer its budget. He added that the previous organization structure had six (6) divisions, but now is revised to four (4) divisions according to the suggestion from the 1st GB Meeting. SEAMEO TED Director also mentioned about submission for appointment of two Deputy Directors and is still pending for approval from the MoEYS.

Decision: The GBM 2019 approved WP-03/GBM-1/2019 on Propose SEAMEO TED's Enabling Instrument, Organization and Structure by taking note the suggestion from the meeting.

4.WP-04/GBM-2/2019 (Report on the SEAMEO TED Operational Budget Fiscal Year 2018/2019)

33. SEAMEO TED presented working paper on the Operational Budget Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Report

Discussions:

34. SEAMEO TED Director explained the budget system of Cambodia. The budget doesn't include the expenditure of manpower. It only shows the operating budget.

Decision: GB members take note on the WP-04/GBM-2/2019 (Report on the Operational Budget Fiscal Year 2018/2019)

5.WP-05/GBM-2/2019 (Proposed SEAMEO TED Program Fiscal Year 2019/2020)

35. SEAMEO TED presented working paper on Proposed SEAMEO TED Program Fiscal Year 2019/2020.

Discussion

36. GB member of Brunei Darussalam questioned about the currency used in the budget document. GB member of Myanmar asked about the exchange rate of USD to Khmer Riel.

37. SEAMEO TED Director responded that the currency used in the budget document is in Khmer Riel and the exchange rate of 1 USD is approximately 4000 Riel.

38. GB member of Brunei Darussalam mentioned the financial breakdown will provide useful information for the efficiency and performance of the Centre in the longer term.

Decision: GB Members take note on WP-05/GBM-2/2019 (Proposed SEAMEO TED Program Fiscal Year 2019/2020)

6. WP-06/GBM-2/2019 (Proposed Three-Year Operational Budget Plan for FY 2019/2020, FY 2020/2021 and FY 2021/2022)

39. SEAMEO TED presented the WP 6 on the Three-Year Operational Budget of SEAMEO TED FY 2019/2020, FY 2020/2021 and FY 2021/2022.

Discussion

40. Chairman asked for clarification on the inconsistency of the increment of three-year budget of SEAMEO TED.

41. SEAMEO TED Director clarified that the budget can be increased only 5 % for every year.

42. GB representative of Cambodia asked how SEAMEO TED allocates its budget for different activities.

43. SEAMEO TED Director responded that budget allocation is made for three types of activities: capacity building, research and development and partnership.

Decision: The GB members take note WP-06/GBM-2/2019 (Proposed Three-Years Operational Budget Plan for FY 2019/2020, FY 2020/2021 and FY 2021/2022)

7. WP-07/GBM-2/2019 Progress Report on SEAMEO TED Programme 2018/2019

44. SEAMEO TED presented their progress report on Capacity Building, Research and Development, and Advocacy and Partnership.

Discussion

45. SEAMEO Secretariat reiterated the presentation of the working paper through video.

46. GB members congratulated the Centre for its achievements in the first year of operation.

<p>Decision: The GBM take note WP-07/GBM-2/2018 Progress Reports of SEAMEO TED 2019</p>
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8.WP-08/GBM-2/2019 Proposal on the Comparative Study on Technical and Vocational Education Teachers' Instructional Competencies in South East Asia

47. SEAMEO TED presented Proposal on the Comparative Study on Technical and Vocational Education Teachers' Instructional Competencies in South East Asia.

Discussion

48. GB members supported on the proposal on the Comparative Study on Technical and Vocational Education Teachers' instructional Competencies in Southeast Asia.

49. GB members also understood the focus will be on High School Technical Education.

50. GB member of the Philippines suggested to include questions on IR 4.0.

51. The Chairman suggested to include Timor-Leste in the study.

52. The Chairman sought for clarification from SEAMEO Secretariat regarding budget availability for the research.

53. SEAMEO Secretariat informed the GB meeting that there is budget allocation for Inter-Centre Collaboration (ICC), which is USD 10, 000 per project or programme. SEAMEO TED has submitted its proposal during the Centre Director Meeting 2019.

54. The Chairman also suggested the Centre to make reference to similar types of research conducted by SEAMEO VOTTECH.

<p>Decision: GB members approved on WP-08/GBM-2/2019 Proposal on the Comparative Study on Technical and Vocational Education Teachers' Instructional Competencies in South East Asia</p>

9. OM/GBM-2/2019 (Propose Venue and Date for the 3rd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting 2020)

55. SEAMEO TED presented the Other Matters on the venue and date of the 3rd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting.

Discussion

56. SEAMEO TED Director proposed the two venues (Sihanoukville and Phnom Penh) and date (the first or second week of October) for the 3rd GBM in 2020.

57. GB Members of Brunei Darussalam and Timor-Leste expressed their concern on the travel time to reach Sihanoukville. Therefore, they suggested for the 3rd GBM to be held in Phnom Penh.

Decision: GBM had agreed to conduct the 3rd GBM of SEAMEO TED in Phnom Penh, Cambodia and the proposed date is 1-2 October, 2020 or 8-9, October 2020.

Review and Adoption of the Final Proceedings

58. The 2nd SEAMEO TED GB meeting reviewed and adopted the final proceedings of the meeting. The final proceedings reviewed in this GB Meeting would be sent to GB Members after the GB meeting.

Closing Remarks

59. The closing ceremony of the 2nd SEAMEO TED GB meeting was conducted on the 25th of October 2019 at HIMAWARI Hotel, Phnom Penh, Cambodia by the Chairperson of the Governing Board Meeting. He expressed his sincere gratitude to all GB members for the valuable inputs for the development of technical education in the region.

60. The Chairperson of the meeting officially concluded the 2nd SEAMEO TED GB Meeting.

The Governing Board members approved the 2nd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting held at HIMAWARI Hotel, Cambodia, October 24-25,2019

Chairperson

Mr. Aw York Bin
Singapore

Vice-Chairperson

Dr. Sheikh Lukman S A Hamid
Brunei Darussalam

Chief Rapporteur

Ms. Zanariah Haji Ahmad
Malaysia

Mr. Meak Chantheng
Cambodia

Mr. Aung Myatt Soe
Myanmar

Engr. Raul C. La Rosa,
Philippines

Mr. Deolindo da Cruz
Timor-Leste

Prof. Dr. Do Van Dung
Vietnam

Dr. Wahyudi
Deputy Director for Programme
and Development
SEAMEO Secretariat

Dr. Doung Vuth
Director, SEAMEO TED

Appendix 5



Southeast Asian
Ministers of Education
Organization

SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting
24-25 October 2019, Cambodia
OPENING SPEECH

By Dr Wahyudi, Deputy Director
SEAMEO Secretariat

Her Excellency Madame Ton Sa IM, Under Secretary of the Ministry
of Education, Youth and Sport, Cambodia

Honorable the Chair and Members of the Governing Board of
SEAMEO TED

Dr Doung Vuth, Director of SEAMEO TED

My colleagues at SEAMEO TED

Distinguished guests

Ladies and gentlemen. Good morning.

It is a privilege for me to be here with all the distinguished Governing Board Members and the Director and colleagues of the SEAMEO Regional Centre for Technical Education as an Ex-Officio member and be involved in this significant event, the 2nd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting.

The SEAMEO Secretariat places high importance to the annual meeting of the Governing Board because it is your recommendations and decisions which set the priorities and guide the Centres' direction for the next fiscal year.

In this regard, the SEAMEO Secretariat always look forward to the Governing Board Meetings as they provide us with an opportunity to ensure that agreements and resolutions from various SEAMEO gatherings – be they the SEAMEO Council Conference, the SEAMEO High Officials' Meeting, the Executive Committee Meeting, and the

Centres' Governing Board Meeting. The SEAMEO Secretariat and the SEAMEO Centres rely on the technical inputs and experts' advice from our highly esteemed members of the Board. Needless to say, the Governing Board plays a vital role in the SEAMEO Centres' operation in ensuring that SEAMEO maintains the revered status of regional excellence in human resource development, science and education.

Later on, I would like to invite you all to look at the achievements of the Centre in their presentations.

We will be listening to many achievements made by the Centre, one of which is the great achievement by taking leadership in organizing the training programmes for technical and vocational school teachers. Despite of the new Centre and limited resources which just established, SEAMEO TED has developed and implemented many trainings and researches addressing the up-to-date needs of the country and region which have impact for the improvement of the quality of Technical and Vocational Education.

In this respect, I wish to congratulate everyone at SEAMEO TED for your outstanding achievements and wish you all the best for your work in the upcoming years. I also would like to express our appreciation for the active participation and support of SEAMEO TED Director and staff in our SEAMEO Secretariat SEA-TVET programme such as the 5th High Officials Meeting on SEA-TVET in September, Brunei Darussalam and the recent 6th SEAMEO Polytechnic Network Meeting on 17-18 October in Da Nang, Vietnam.

We have seen many important milestones achieved by SEAMEO as an organization in the past fiscal year. We have also had the recent 50th SEAMEC Conference in 2019, SEAMEO Strategic Plan (2011-2020), and SEAMEO Centre Directors' Meeting 2019

In accordance with the SEAMEO Education Agenda/7 Priority Areas, the SEAMEO Secretariat have conducted SEAMEO Secretariat's Flagship Activities/ Programme starting from

Priority Area Number 1 “Early Childhood Care and Education” with its key activity such as the” Translation and Adaptation of the SEA ECCE Teacher Capacity Framework: Pilot Phase”;

Priority Area Number 2 “Addressing Barriers to Inclusion with its key activity, SEAMEO Border-School Project;

Priority Area Number 3 with its key activity of “Case Studies on DRRM in SEAMEO Member Countries”;

Priority Area Number 4 with its key activity of “High Officials Meeting on SEA-TVET; SEA-TVET Student Exchange Programme; SEAMEO China TVET Cultural Twinning Programme and SEA Creative Camp”;

Priority Area Number 5 with its key activity “SEA-Teacher Project and Southeast Asia Teacher Competency Framework (SEA-TCF)”;

Priority Area Number 6 with its key activity “SEAMEO Centres Policy Research Network (CPRN)”, “SEA-MOOC’s Network”, and “SEAMEO High Level Policy Forum on Open Educational Resources for Global Digital Literacy”; and last but not least,

Priority Areas Number 7 with its key activity “Southeast Asia Primary Learning Metrics (SEA-PLM)”, “SEAMEO Online Lecture Series, and Global Digital Literacy OER & MOOC Development in Southeast Asia”.

We also welcome the newest addition in our big family with UNESCO Asia Pacific Centre of Education and International Understanding (UNESCO APCEIU) as an Affiliate Member and the establishments of two new Centres for SEAMEO based in Thailand, namely SEAMEO Regional Centre for STEM Education (SEAMEO STEM-ED) and SEAMEO Regional Centre for Sufficiency Economy Philosophy for Sustainability (SEAMEO SEPS).

Ladies and gentleman,

Southeast Asia is undergoing a rapid change as a region and one of the biggest revolutions is the Industrial revolution 4.0 which offers us many exciting possibilities as well as challenges. Therefore, we have to

keep improving ourselves in order for us to better serve the region and to achieve our vision and mission as an organization. As one of the oldest organizations in Southeast Asia, we have accomplished so much, but we must continue to develop ourselves to serve the region even further

On behalf of the SEAMEO Secretariat, I would like to express my gratitude to the Government of Cambodia and its supports towards SEAMEO TED and to all the SEAMEO Member Countries for their consistent support towards SEAMEO's activities.

Lastly, I would like to thank SEAMEO TED for all the preparations for this Meeting. It goes without saying that this important event took a significant amount of time, dedication and hard work behind the scene.

Thank you very much and I wish everyone a successful and fruitful meeting.

Opening Remark By H.E. Ton Sa Im, Under Secretary of State, MoEYS
2nd Governing Board Meeting of SEAMEO Center for Technical Education
Development

24-25 October 2019, HIMAWARI Hotel, Phnom Penh

SEAMEO Secretariat Deputy Director, Honorable Dr, Wahyydi,
All governing Board Members from SEAMEO Countries
Disquieted delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen!
Very good morning!

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It is my great pleasure to deliver my opening remark to all of you joining in the 2nd Governing Board Meeting of SEAMEO Center for Technical Education Development. Firstly, I would like to warmly welcome to all Governing Board Members and delegation, from SEAMEO Countries! Your participation in today's 2nd Governing Board Meeting of SEAMEO TED shows that Cambodia is not alone, we are, SEAMEO countries, working together to share our experience and value in order to promote the regional advancement and inclusiveness of education for the next generation through partnership and sharing.

With increasing economic growth of Cambodia at average 7% per year, the Ministry of Education Youth and Sport has committed to contribute to development progress with our partners in the region by establishing a regional center for technical education development at the upper secondary level even we know well that it is far beyond the region, but we will try our best, learn from the region and work with our partners, SEAMEO to make significant impact to Southeast Asia as a Good SEAMEO member country.

Ladies and Gentlemen!

In this very meaningful time, I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some aspects of technical education in general and in Cambodia in particular. As the global area is on the internalization stage and industrial revolution 4.0, the roles of technical education are gaining increasingly important to the demand of employability and competency of labour in the 21st century. As you know, technical education and training has been identified as one of the seven priority areas of SEAMO Countries from 2015 to 2035. Technical and Vocation Education contribute to the social economic progress by reducing unemployment, improving productivity, halting urban migration and establishing a close relationship between education (school) and employment (work) which can be effective answers to rural problems especially for the relative poor people (Audu et al 2013). However, most ASEAN member countries, especially Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Timor Leste are currently facing a lack of skilled labor which is jeopardizing their further economic development.

Cambodia has committed to improve the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) system, in which the quality of TVET teachers and technical school infrastructures and administration constitutes a main key determinant (Michael Grosch 2017). Aligned with its industrial development policy 2015-2025, after two decades of reconstruction of its socio-economic and education system, a new Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Policy 2017–2025 was made by the government to respond to the urgent needs of increasingly changing labour market's requirements, especially to the industrial sector development and decent job creation as well as ensure quality, high productivity and better competitiveness with other countries in the region. In responding to immediate needs for skills in the new industries and developing the national capacity to migrate to higher-end skills industries, the Government of Cambodia has already embarked on a range of reform initiatives to promote the Quality and Effective Technical and Vocational Education and Training: (i) linking training to market demand; (ii) ensuring training quality for enhanced productivity; (iii) strengthening public-private partnership; (iv) ensuring equity in training; and (v) promoting TVET for sustainably social-economic development, (UNESCO,2017).

The Royal Government of Cambodia has the ambition to make a transition from low-middle income to upper-middle income country by 2030 and a developed country by 2050. To support on, this the government has issued a National Policy on TVET, IDP2015-2025. We also issued Master plan on technical education at upper secondary level in 2015 to enhance the productivity, efficiency and quality of technical education at upper secondary education in Cambodia. Technical skills to Cambodian youths have to be improved to increase employment opportunity in a very competitive labor market of the region in digital era and industry 4.0 of the 21st century. Developing technical skills for youths is crucial for us to develop suitable and necessary skills among youth and make they have adequate skills, which include physical, mental and intellectual ability and morality, values, skills and expertise in order to become a good citizen responsible for the common benefit of the nation and human. We all have high responsibility to realize the Four Pillars of Technical Education: **Learning to Do, Learning to Learn, Learning to live and Learning to serve and take responsibility for the next generation of human being.**

In my conclusion, on behave of **H.E Dr. Hang Chuon Naron**, Minister of Education Youth and Sport of Cambodia and myself I would like to thank to SEAMEO TED' Governing Board from all countries, delegates for your much effort and strong support SEAMEO TED's progress for Cambodia and the region in the coming years. I strongly suggest all governing boards and partners please share your expertise and experience to make significant progress on technical education in the region.

Also, my appreciation to Dr. Doung Vuth, SEAMEI TED's director and his colleagues for commitment to organize today event

Last but not least, I wish all of you stay with Safety and Enjoy sightseeing in Phnom Penh!

Welcome Remark
The 2nd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting
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- **Her Excellency Mrs. Ton Sa Im**, Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport
- **Dr. Wahyudi**, Deputy Director for Program and Development of SEAMEO Secretariat
- **Honorable Governing Board Members of 11 SEAMEO Countries**
- **Excellency, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen!**

It is my honor and great pleasure to welcome you all to the 2nd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting at HIMAWARI Hotel in Phnom Penh, Cambodia from 24th to 25th October 2019. I would like to express my deep appreciation and gratitude to you for your presence in this meeting.

This is the second year of SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting to strengthen comprehensively collaboration and partnerships between SEAMEO Centers, SEAMEO Member Countries, Educational Institutions to have formulated policies and launched initiatives in favor of developing, adapting, adopting and sharing quality online repositories with an open license. The concept of Technical and Vocational education at secondary school level forms the important part of educational systems in paving the way for bringing learners/students to develop life skill.

SEAMEO TED guided by SEAMEO Priority No 4 to promote “TVET among learners, teachers and parents with more visible investments and relevant curricula that focus on creativity and innovation with a clear pathway to lifelong learning, higher education and regional labour, skill and learners’ mobility”. the provision of vocational and technical education to learner, students and youth is not only for partly solving the problems of unemployment poverty, and rural development of the poor and disable students but it is also supplying enough skilled workers demanded by some foreign companies in the era of industrial revolution 4.0. and the context of sustainable development goals.

For the 2nd SEAMEO TED Governing Board Meeting 2019, the 8 (eight) working papers (WPs) will be recommended, which covers SEAMEO TED programs and future activities to be reviewed, discussed, proposed for approval and endorsed by the Governing Board Members in the meeting.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, Cambodia, SEAMEO Secretariat, Governing Board Members of 11 SEAMEO Member Countries, Educational Institutions/Practitioners, Partners and Colleagues who always support SEAMEO TED.

I wish you all enjoy your time and have successful meeting.

Phnom Penh, 24 October 2019

Dr. Doung Vuth
Director

