

## Consultation Meeting between SEAMEO TED and Krya Management Team

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(Dr. Ai Delivering a TED Logo to Mr. Antonius, Krya Management)

The meeting between SEAMEO TED and ICIA team discussed preparations for an upcoming international innovation and education event scheduled for 24–26 April at Paragon International School, Phnom Penh, organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports (MoEYS) and international partners. The organizers shared updates on program planning, expected participation, and areas where collaboration with partners such as SEAMEO TED could be strengthened. The event will feature several major activities including an Innovation Challenge, Innovation Award competition, Educators Forum, and innovation exhibitions, bringing together

students, educators, and experts from Cambodia and many other countries. The Innovation Challenge will focus on topics such as eco-school environmental solutions and artificial intelligence (AI), reflecting global trends in education, sustainability, and technology.



(Group Photo of Both Sides' Team)

The organizers also highlighted the strong support from the Cambodian government, noting that the Ministers of Education, Tourism, and Environment are expected to attend the closing ceremony. The Ministry of Tourism is supporting international participation by facilitating visa-on-arrival and airport arrangements for participants from multiple countries. The event aims to promote student innovation and provide opportunities for Cambodian youth, including scholarships for local teams and involvement of university interns. In addition, international participation is expected from countries in ASEAN, Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and beyond. The organizers requested collaboration from SEAMEO TED to help disseminate information,

recommend participating teams from partner countries, and support volunteer mentors or judges, as well as to encourage educators to attend the AI-focused Educators Forum.



(Discussion on Point of Cooperation)

## **Main Points of Discussion**

1. Key program components, including the Innovation Challenge, Innovation Awards, Educators Forum on AI, and student innovation exhibitions.
2. Preparation of the International Innovation Event (24–26 April 2026) at Paragon International School in collaboration with MoEYS and international partners. The program will include competitions, forums, exhibitions, and international participation.
3. Participation of International and Regional Organizations  
Representatives from SEAMEO-related centers and international partners are expected to

attend, including directors and delegates who will conduct a courtesy call and participate in the event activities.

4. **High-Level Government Support:** The closing ceremony is expected to be attended by several Cambodian ministers, including the Minister of Education, Minister of Tourism, and Minister of Environment, showing strong government endorsement of the initiative.

5. **Innovation Challenge and Innovation Award Competitions**

A major highlight of the program is the Innovation Challenge and Innovation Award, where students present innovative ideas and projects. One challenge focuses on eco-school environmental solutions, proposed by the Minister of Environment, while other focuses on Artificial Intelligence (AI).

6. **Participation of Cambodian and International Student Teams**

Around 200 teams applied and about 20 Cambodian teams were selected, with additional participants expected from countries such as the Philippines, Vietnam, Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and several Middle Eastern and African countries. Cambodian teams will receive scholarship support to participate.

7. **International participation and student engagement, with teams from many countries and scholarship support for Cambodian teams.**

8. **Opportunities for Collaboration and Support from SEAMEO TED**

SEAMEO TED is invited to collaborate by disseminating information to international networks (e.g., China, Korea, Russia) and recommending teams through a “Golden Invitation” mechanism for countries that do not have national selection competitions.

9. **Outreach to Schools and Communities**

Organizers aim to encourage more participation from public schools and New Generation Schools (NGS) and provide opportunities for students, educators, and rural communities to attend the exhibition and forum free of charge.