

WAY FORWARD/IDENTIFICATION OF NEW AREAS OF PRIORITIES

ROLE OF SEANF	ACTIVITIES
1. Role of SEANF in South East Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) To pursue the implementation of the projects undertaken under EU budget. Each member to draw up individual action plan as a follow-up mechanism to ensure the effectiveness of the projects;b) to encourage other South East Asian governments to establish NHRI in their countries;c) to engage with ASEAN, AICHR, APF and OHCHR for its recognition as a sub-regional mechanism or entity;d) to develop a paper on the draft UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training (HRET);e) to share UPR best practices & experiences from NHRIs that have gone through the process;f) to develop action plan on anti-human trafficking;g) to explore issues with inter-border implication such as Human Rights & Business, human trafficking, migrant workers, statelessness and corruption;h) to develop strategies (branding) to make SEANF recognizable;i) to strengthen our engagement with CSOs in the region; and,j) to develop human rights indicator and to take on the issue of Economic development and the negative impact it has on human rights.
2. Role of SEANF vis-à-vis AICHR	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) To continue opening communication lines by forwarding SEANF's submissions. A policy shall be developed to ensure AICHR is regularly provided with information or document about SEANF's activities and positions on certain matters so that AICHR would realize the importance of engaging SEANF;b) to monitor the progress of the work of the AICHR and make a statement about the processes it is undertaking and to give

advice and inputs concerning human rights standards in AICHR work processes;

- c) to point to the thematic issues identified by AICHR as common interests. In addition, SEANF can issue its stand on AICHR's goal to "become the overarching institution on the protection and promotion on human rights in ASEAN";
- d) to consider amending its Rules of Procedures to include its ways of engaging with the AICHR and with other stakeholders;
- e) to provide periodic information/recommendations to AICHR on ways to fulfill AICHR's protection mandate; and,
- f) to engage with other ASEAN organs on human rights issues.

3. Role of SEANF in supporting the ICC Strategic Plan 2010-2013 and the APF Operations Plan 2011

- a) To explore the role of APF in providing technical assistance to SEANF;
- b) to set up a strategic plan to protect natural resources from exploitation and link this strategic plan to that of APF and ICC strategic plan;
- c) to discuss on the proposal of establishing an APF sub-regional office and the possible role of the office in supporting SEANF work particularly on technical assistance and capacity building;
- d) to consider expanding joint project on human rights and business, connect with biodiversity issues and environment;
- e) to assist APF in engaging with regional and international human rights mechanisms; and,
- f) to carry out the APF's and OHCHR's capacity building activities for NHRIs in the sub-region.

4. Role of SEANF in the review of the HRC and its mechanisms

- a) To engage with subsidiary bodies of HRC, especially the Expert Mechanism on the rights of Indigenous peoples and seek support from the OHCHR office;
- b) to go beyond direct issue involving NHRIs, but also in doing advocacy work in maintaining independent element of HRC mechanisms especially Special Procedures;
- c) to support each other through sharing of experiences in engaging with the HRC, the UPR, Treaty Reporting, and Special Procedures;
- d) to develop strategies to put forth common concerns of the SEANF;

- e) to share speaking parts to comment on any agenda item in the HRC; and,
- f) to collaborate with the OHCHR in international fora to present and discuss HR issues and problems that require NHRIs' action.

**5. Role of SEANF ASEAN
Declaration on Human Rights**

- a) To provide input towards the drafting of the ASEAN HR Declaration;
- b) to propose to the AICHR to begin with economic, social & cultural rights and followed by civil & political rights, in the Preamble of the draft ASEAN HR Declaration; and
- c) to be mindful of the following elements in the drafting of the ASEAN HR Declaration:
 - Influence of Asian values which may contain political connotation;
 - The definition of particularities shall make reference to the 1993 Vienna Declaration rather than the localized concept of ASEAN documents/instruments;
 - The importance of rights and duties & States' responsibilities;
 - The need for the States to ensure the balance between the rights of individual and community rights.
 - The need to consider not only on national security but also human security.