

**PROPOSAL**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TROPICAL BIOLOGY**  
**ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA:**  
**CHALLENGES, GAINS, AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS**  
**BOGOR, 12-13 OCTOBER 2015**



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# INTRODUCTION

The economic value of intact, fully functioning ecosystem, as providers of both natural products and environmental services, is now well established. However, once they become degraded, the stream of benefits flowing from such kind of ecosystems is considerably reduced often for long periods since natural regeneration is slow and restoration is both expensive and time-consuming.

The recent rapid economic development of most Asian countries, particularly in Southeast Asia, has been considered impressive but it has been achieved at the expense of the environment, undermining delivery of natural products and ecosystem services. A 2012 working paper by the Asian Development Bank Institute reported that Asia is “confronted by serious environmental problems that threaten to undermine future growth, food security, and regional stability”. The region now faces the “prospect of a dwindling supply of environmental capital to support the growing demands of a rapidly growing and urbanized population.

Aside from rapid population growth, ecosystem degradation is caused by various factors including increasing market demands for forest products, over cultivation of agriculture lands, poor governance, etc. In its 2011 report, the Food and Agriculture Organization estimated that about 40% of land in two-thirds of ASEAN nations (excluding Singapore) suffers from either severe or very severe degradation due to human activities. Thus ASEAN countries already recognize the importance of effectively implementing policies for environmentally sustainable growth (ASEAN 2007).

The science and practice of ecological restoration could have a significant impact on the above mentioned problems as it improves natural resources management and biodiversity conservation, encourages use of traditional ecological knowledge, enhances climate change mitigation and adaptation, and builds sustainable livelihoods. It is becoming increasingly important worldwide as a way to regain the integrity of ecosystems while simultaneously enhancing human welfare.

Globally, several past ecological restoration schemes by governments and non-governmental organizations have been successful. Lessons learned from these experiences are critical for redefining environmental policies, determining and prioritizing research needs, and charting concerted efforts from all sectors of society towards a sustainable and integrated development of the ASEAN region.

### **Conference Objectives**

The conference will provide a forum for scientist and practitioners to share useful lessons, address challenges, and generate commitments to strengthen policy decisions and work collaboratively towards ecological restoration for sustainable and integrated regional development in Southeast Asia along global biodiversity and other conservation goals.

### **Expected Output**

The quorum of conference participants will identify gaps of our knowledge of restoration and identify new approaches to both policies and practices that will form an agenda to guide the future direction of research and development in this field.

# SCIENTIFIC ARRANGEMENTS

## Theme, Sub-themes, and Topics

The theme of the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Tropical Biology is “**Ecological Restoration in Southeast Asia: Challenges, Gains, and Future Directions**”. This theme includes restoration in all ecosystems and is divided but not limited into the following sub-themes and topics:

1. Approaches, Techniques and Innovations in Ecological Restoration
  - Restoration in parks and protected areas
  - Restoration in Agro-ecological and silvicultural systems
  - Restoration in an urban context
  - Restoration in mined areas
  - Community and Landscape Scale Restoration
2. Socio-economic, Cultural and Ethical Dimensions of Ecological Restoration
  - Traditional ecological knowledge and community-based restoration
  - Monitoring and adaptive management
3. Ecological Restoration, Biodiversity, and Climate Change
  - Threatened and endangered species, populations and habitats
  - Invasive species management
  - The role of restoration in mitigating and adapting to climate change
4. Ecological restoration policies and other legal frameworks
  - Planning and decision-making frameworks on ecological restoration
  - Effectivity & efficiency of policies and legal frameworks on ecological restoration
  - Science and policy interactions in determining ecological restoration options

## **Keynote and Plenary Session Speakers\***

Conference speakers are scientists and practitioners in ecological restoration coming from international development and research centres, academia, and government agencies as follows:

1. Mr. Patrick Durst, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Regional Asia Pacific, Thailand
2. Ministry of Environment and Forestry, The Republic of Indonesia (MoEF)\*
3. Dr. Steve Elliot, Chiangmai University Forest Reforestation Research Unit, Thailand
4. Mr. Nigel Tucker: Biotropica Australia, Australia
5. Dr. Sonya Dewi, World Agroforestry Centre-Southeast Asia Regional Office (ICRAF-SEARO), Indonesia
6. International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)\*
7. Ms. Jonen Riina: Bioversity International Regional Office, Malaysia
8. Mr. Panut Hadisiswoyo: Orangutan Information Center, Indonesia
9. Tony Wenas, President Director, PT. RAPP APRIL Group, Indonesia\*
10. An academe\*

\*Speaker is under confirmation

## **Participants**

Participants in this conference are academicians, researchers, scientist, students, government officials, NGO staffs, representatives from national and international institutions, private companies and the public that are engaged and/or interested in ecological restoration and tropical biodiversity.

## **Committees**

### **Steering Committee:**

Dr. Irdika Mansur, SEAMEO BIOTROP Director

Dr. Jesus C. Fernandez, SEAMEO BIOTROP Deputy Director for Program

Dr. Arief Sabdo Yuwono, SEAMEO BIOTROP Deputy Director for Resource Management

### **Scientific Committee:**

1. Prof. Wong Sek Man, SEAMEO Governing Board member from Singapore
2. Dr. Chongrak Wachrinrat, SEAMEO Governing Board member from Thailand
3. Dr. Jesus C. Fernandez, SEAMEO BIOTROP Deputy Director for Program
4. Dr. Ellyn K. Damayanti, SEAMEO BIOTROP Program Thrust Coordinator of Tropical Biology for Community Welfare
5. Dr. Dewi Wulandari, SEAMEO BIOTROP Program Thrust Coordinator of Tropical Biology for Environmental Integrity
6. Dr. Steven Elliot, Director of Forest Restoration Research Unit, Chiangmai University
7. Dr. Meine van Noordwijk, Senior Scientist, World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF)
8. Dr. Ryo Kohsaka, International Union of Forest Research Organization (IUFRO) Research Group 6.10.00 Rural Development Member from Kanazawa University, Japan
9. Dr. Tanja Kahkonen, IUFRO Research Group 6.10.00 Rural Development Member from University of Eastern Finland, Finland
10. Ms. Ana Elia R. Hidalgo, M.Sc., IUFRO Research Group 6.10.00 Rural Development Member from University of British Columbia, Canada.

### **Organizing Committee:**

Dr. Ellyn K. Damayanti (Conference Technical Coordinator)

Dr. Dewi Wulandari (Conference Resource Management Coordinator)

Ms. Dewi Suryani, MM (Program & Reception Team Coordinator)

Ir. Sri Widayanti (Promotion & Exhibition Team Coordinator)

Ms. Lidia Defita, S.Kom. (Secretariat Team Coordinator)

Mr. Lukman Haris, S.Si. (Audio-visual & General Logistics Team Coordinator)

Ms. Tika Tresnowati, S.Si. (Documentation & Proceedings Team Coordinator)

Mr. Herman Apriyadi, SE (Finance Team Coordinator)

Ms. Tenny Wahyuni, A.Md. (Food & Accommodation Team Coordinator)

Mr. Fitri Junaedi, SEI (Transportation Team Coordinator)

# CONFERENCE IMPLEMENTATION

## Date

This conference will be held on 12 - 13 October 2015.

## Venue

The conference will be conducted in SEAMEO BIOTROP Campus, Jl. Raya Tajur KM 6, Bogor 16143.

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## Important Dates

Activity	Date
Call for abstracts	February 2015
Registration for participants and exhibitors start	March 2015
Deadline for abstract submission	30 May 2015
Selection of abstracts	1 – 30 June 2015
Registration deadline for exhibitors	15 June 2015
Announcement of accepted abstracts for both poster and oral presentations	7 July 2015
Announcement of accepted exhibitors	30 July 2015
Deadline for registration, payment & submission of full papers for oral and poster presenters	8 August 2015
Deadline for early bird registration and payments (participants only)	15 August 2015
Deadline for payment of exhibition fee	30 August 2015
Regular registration and payment (participants only)	16 August – 15 September 2015
Deadline for uploading of oral presentation files	30 September 2015

## Registration

Online registration for all participants (oral and poster presenters, exhibitors, and general participants) can be made through the conference website: <http://ictb.biotrop.org>

## Conference fee

To be eligible as oral/poster presenters, exhibitors, and general participants, registration must be completed with payment of registration fee as follows:

Rate	Early bird rate	Regular rate
	(before 15 August 2015)	(16 August to 15 September 2015)
<b>Foreign Participants</b>	<b>USD</b>	<b>USD</b>
Presenter (oral, poster)	100	*
General (no paper)	70	100
Student	50	75
<b>Indonesian Participants</b>	<b>IDR</b>	<b>IDR</b>
Presenter (oral, poster)	300,000	*
General (no paper)	250,000	350,000
Student	100,000	150,000
<b>Exhibitor</b>	2,000,000	3,000,000
<b>Proceeding</b>	200,000	300,000

Note: \* Presenters must be registered and paid the registration fee by August 8, 2015.

Payment of registration fee can be made by bank transfer to:

IDR Account

BIOTROP SEAMEO

No. 0003893863

Bank BNI, Bogor Branch

Jl. Ir. H. Juanda, Bogor

West Java, Indonesia

SWIFT CODE: BNINIDJABGR

USD Account

SEAMEO BIOTROP

No. 0003890624

Bank BNI, Bogor Branch

Jl. Ir. H. Juanda, Bogor

West Java, Indonesia

SWIFT CODE: BNINIDJABGR

## Facilities

Registration fee covers admission to all conference sessions and exhibition, and provisions as follows:

1. Conference kit
2. Meals (lunches & snacks)
3. Welcome dinner
4. Program book
5. Certificate of attendance
6. CD file of conference materials and/or access to conference website for download )



## **Exhibition**

Prospective exhibitors are encouraged to apply through online registration in this website: <http://ictb.biotrop.org>

The deadline for exhibitor registration is June 15, 2015 at 23:59 GMT+7. After registration, the Organizing Committee will contact the exhibitor applicant by e-mail on the arrangements for submission of their exhibition concept and product samples. Exhibition application shall be screened accordingly due to the limitation of exhibition space. Announcement of accepted exhibitors will be e-mailed on July 30, 2015.

## SPONSORSHIP

International Conference on Tropical Biology: Ecological restoration in Southeast Asia is a regular biannual international conference performed by SEAMEO BIOTROP. This conference mediated scientists, government, and practitioners to be involved in ecological restoration to improve natural resources management and biodiversity conservation, encourages use of traditional ecological knowledge, enhances climate change mitigation and adaptation, and builds sustainable livelihoods.

To implement this conference, SEAMEO BIOTROP welcomes partnership and sponsorship with various relevant institutions, private person, and companies interested in ecological restoration to support the committee in the following forms:

1. Direct funding support for overall conference implementation
2. Convening specific conference sessions or side events
3. Support for attendance of resource persons and oral presenters
4. Other in-kind support: conference materials and equipment, lunches and dinners of participants, promotion & advertisement of the conference, etc.

### Benefits of participating

1. Sponsors or exhibitors are listed in the program and website
2. Information on the conference has reached all over the world
3. Enhance your image to the international level
4. Increase network between scientists, government, and practitioner
5. Give participants hands-on experience at your booth during conference.

In order to develop mutual collaboration between the conference and prospective sponsors, packages of sponsorships or combination of the above forms are offered as follows:

Categories	Privileges
Major Partners	
<b>Diamond Major Partner: Direct funding support for overall conference implementation</b>	- Institution logo (large size) will be put at conference website and printed in all conference publications and

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Major Partners	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covers expenses for all conference sessions/ side events, materials &amp; equipment, meals and snacks, promotion &amp; advertisements, etc. which could be equivalent to US\$25,000</li> </ul>	<p>promotional materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institution head or designated representative will give remarks in the Opening Program, Welcome Dinner, and Closing Program and/or a keynote speaker in the plenary session depending on expertise.</li> <li>- Registration fee is waived for 6 oral/poster presenters or just being plain participants from the institution</li> <li>- Exhibition space will be provided.</li> <li>- Conference kit and all publication related to the conference will be provided.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Platinum Major Partner 1: Support for attendance of resource persons and oral presenters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- At least 2 international/regional resource persons and 10 regional oral presenters or 25 Indonesian oral presenters</li> <li>- Support includes: air tickets, local transportation, accommodation, registration fee, other allowances, etc. which could be equivalent to US\$10,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institution logo (large size) will be put at conference website and printed in all conference publications and promotional materials</li> <li>- Institution head or designated representative will serve as one of the keynote speakers in the plenary session or technical session depending on expertise</li> <li>- Registration fee is waived for 3 oral/poster presenters or just plain participants from the institution</li> </ul>
<p><b>Platinum Major Partner 2: Convening 2 sessions and/or side events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covers all aspects of two sessions/side events: attendance of resource persons and presenters (i.e., 2 international/ regional resource persons and at least 2 regional oral presenters per session or 5 Indonesian oral presenters per session), meeting package for at least 50 session participants, conference material, and equipment</li> <li>- Support includes: air tickets, local transportation, accommodation, registration fee, other allowances, etc. which could be equivalent to US\$10,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exhibition space will be provided</li> <li>- Complete package of conference materials shall be provided</li> </ul>

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Major Partners	
<p><b>Gold Major Partner 1: Support for attendance of resource persons and oral presenters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covers for at least 2 international/regional resource persons and 5 regional oral presenters or 15 Indonesian oral presenters</li> <li>- Support includes: air tickets, local transportation, accommodation, registration fee, other allowances, etc. which could be equivalent to US\$ 6,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institution logo (medium size) will be put at conference website and printed in all conference publications and materials</li> <li>- Institution head or designated representative will serve as one of the keynote speakers in one of the plenary sessions or technical session depending on expertise</li> <li>- Registration fee is waived for 1 oral/poster presenter from the institution</li> </ul>
<p><b>Gold Major Partner 2: Convening a sessions/side event</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covers all aspects of a session/side event: attendance of resource person and presenters (1 international/ regional resource person and 2 regional oral presenters or 5 Indonesian oral presenters), meeting package for at least 25 participants, conference material, and equipment</li> <li>- Support includes: air tickets, local transportation, accommodation, registration fee, other allowances, etc. which could be equivalent to US\$6,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exhibition space will be provided</li> <li>- Complete package of conference materials shall be provided.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Gold Major Partner 3: Support for Conference (1) facilities, materials and equipment; (2) Promotions and Advertisements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support for include: (1) meeting rooms, logistics, audio visual, documentation, exhibition space and equipment, office supplies, conference kit, etc.; (2) international promotions and advertisement on the conference which is accessible to all types of stakeholders and/or support to the scientific arrangement of the conference.</li> <li>- Support could be given in-kind or equivalent to US\$5,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institution logo (medium size) will be put at conference website and printed in all conference publications and materials</li> <li>- Institution head or designated representative will deliver speech during the welcome dinner</li> <li>- Registration fee is waived for 1 oral/poster presenter from the institution</li> <li>- Exhibition space will be provided</li> <li>- Complete package of conference materials shall be provided</li> </ul>

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Supporting Partners	
<b>Silver Supporting Partner1: Support for attendance of an international/regional resource person</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support covers air ticket and travel-related expenses of one international/regional resource person which could be equivalent to up to US\$2,500</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Institution logo (small size) will be put at conference website and printed in conference publications and materials.</li> <li>- Registration is waived for 3 oral/poster participants or just as participants from the institution</li> <li>- Conference kit and all publication related to the conference will be provided.</li> </ul>
<b>Silver Supporting Partner 2: Support for attendance of oral/poster presenters</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support covers air tickets and other travel-related expenses for 10 Indonesian participants which could be equivalent to up to US\$2,500</li> </ul>	
<b>Silver Supporting Partner 3: Support for attendance oral/poster presenters</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support covers accommodation expenses and registration fees for ten Indonesian presenters which could be equivalent to up to US\$2,500</li> </ul>	
<b>Silver Supporting Partner 4: Support for other conference needs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covers expenses for conference materials and equipment; lunch and snacks of participants</li> <li>- Support could be given in-kind or equivalent to up to US\$2,500</li> </ul>	
<b>Bronze Supporting: Support for other conference need</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Covers expenses for conference materials and equipment; lunch and snacks of participants</li> <li>- Support could be given in-kind or equivalent to up to US\$1,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Free conference registrations for 2 participants.</li> <li>- Conference kit and all publication related to the conference will be provided.</li> </ul>

Sponsors who are interested to collaborate with SEAMEO BIOTROP in this conference could send an e-mail with attached Letter of Interest as Sponsor (provided on the last page of this proposal) to:

Contact person for sponsorship:

Dr. Jess C. Fernandez

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## APPENDIX 1: CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Time	12-Oct	13-Oct
08.00	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Registration</b>
09.00	<b>Opening Program</b>	<b>Plenary Session 2:</b> Panel Discussion on Future Directions on Ecosystem Restoration in Southeast Asia
10.00	Coffee/Tea Break Poster Presentations & Exhibit Viewing	Coffee/Tea Break Poster Presentations & Exhibit Viewing
10.30	<b>Plenary Session 1:</b> Keynote Speeches and Open Discussions on Gains and Challenges in Ecosystem Restoration in Southeast Asia	<b>Parallel Session 3:</b> Ecological Restoration, Biodiversity, and Climate Change
12.30	Lunch/ Poster Presentations & Exhibit Viewing	Lunch/ Poster Presentations & Exhibit Viewing
1.30	<b>Parallel Session 1:</b> Approaches, Techniques and Innovations in Ecological Restoration	<b>Parallel Session 4:</b> Ecological restoration policies and other legal frameworks
3.15	Coffee/Tea Break Poster Presentations & Exhibit Viewing	Coffee/Tea Break Poster Presentations & Exhibit Viewing
3.45	<b>Parallel Session 2:</b> Socio-economic, Cultural and Ethical Dimensions of Ecological Restoration	<b>Conference Synthesis &amp; Closing Program</b>
5.30	Networking	
07.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Welcome Dinner</li> <li>· Launching of the Society for Ecological Restoration in Southeast Asia</li> </ul>	



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**Letter of Interest as Sponsor**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Tropical Biology**  
**SEAMEO-BIOTROP, 12-13 October 2015**

Dear Dr. Jess C. Fernandez,

After learning about your Conference sponsorship proposal, we are interested to be a  
(Please check appropriate category):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Major Partner, US\$25,000            | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Supporting Partner 1, US\$2,500 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Major Partner 2, US\$10,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Supporting Partner 3, US\$2,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Major Partner 1, US\$6,000      | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Supporting Partner 4, US\$2,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Major Partner 2, US\$6,000      | <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Supporting, US\$1,000           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Major Partner 3, US\$5,000      |   |

Details of our company are as follows:

Institution/Company Name :

Address :

Phone, Fax :

Contact Person & e-mail address :

We will make payment through your bank account on **August 30, 2015** at the latest.

Thank you.

(.....Name.....)

(.....Position.....)