Opening:
background and overview of the workshop

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Objectives of our workshop on policy for agroecology transition in South-East Asia

- Scoping the principles and issues for policy on AE transition
- Advancing policy analysis and mapping on AE
- Strengthening cooperation on AE transition in South-East Asia
An increasing mobilization and momentum across scales

Global level
• The Coalition for Food System Transformation through Agroecology: (incl. Cambodia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam)
• 4 per 1000 initiative, One Health initiative, etc.

ASEAN level
• ASEAN Guidelines for Sustainable Agriculture (2022)
• ASEAN Guidelines for Agroforestry Development (2018)
• ASEAN Guidelines for Promoting Climate Smart Agriculture Practices (2015)

National level
Policy processes engaging with other stakeholders
• CASIC (Cambodia Conservation Agriculture and Sustainable Intensification Consortium)
• Vietnamese National Action Plan for Food System transformation

Local level
• Landscape level interventions
• Locally grounded innovations from a multitude of stakeholders (CSOs, FOs, research community, SMEs, large companies, etc.)

Diversity of initiatives and coalitions
Shift in policies: more intersectoral, integration across scale, regional integration and multilateralism

Multistakeholder processes at different scales
Research convoked as part of feeding more intersectoral and integrated policy processes (e.g. UNFSS)
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Great Mekong Delta sub region: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Vietnam and ASEAN
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ASSET is building upon multiple partnerships and initiatives that forms a research & development coalition dialoguing with policy makers in the Mekong Region

- The **Agroecology Learning Alliance in South East Asia (ALiSEA)**
- A consolidated **R4D partnerships** at regional level
- The **Cambodia Conservation Agriculture and Sustainable Intensification Consortium (CASIC)**
- The **Lao facilitated Initiative on Agroecology for the ASEAN (LICA)**
Sharing robust field evidence through a multilevel policy dialogue
To contribute to foster and feed into political transformations

Scales

Regional (to global) scale
- Multi-stakeholder policy dialogues at ASEAN level
- Support LICA / Develop ASEAN guidelines on AE policies

National scale
- Multi-stakeholder policy dialogues at national levels
- Learn from national policy frameworks and local innovative policy implementation

Local/provincial scale
- Multi-stakeholder policy dialogues at Flagship levels
- Identify and experiment innovative policy mechanisms

Diversity of policy dialogue processes engaged

✓ Policy dialogue based on national teams, LICA and the ASEAN secretariat
✓ Multi-stakeholder dialogue based on ALiSEA
From workshop objectives to the overview of the agenda

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Thursday afternoon
1. Setting the scene: on AE, policy needs and recomm°, ASEAN framework
2. Participatory policy and institutional mapping

Friday morning
1. Sharing national policy insights (government perspective: ASSET partners and others)
2. Sharing policy needs (other perspectives)
3. Advancing LICA: roles, action plan and governance

Friday afternoon (ASSET internal working session)

A key policy target: drafting ASEAN guidelines for policies supporting agroecological transition (by the end of the year)
THANK YOU

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