

# Abstract

## SESSION 2:

Accelerating Actions for  
Sustainable Development and  
Climate Change

## WORKSHOP 3:

Valuation of Coastal  
Ecosystem Services and  
Benefits and Coastal Use  
Zoning: Tools for Better  
Planning and Implementation

## The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity for Southeast Asia (ASEAN TEEB) Initiative

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After the launch of the TEEB Synthesis Report in CBD COP10, the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB) recognized the need to support the global TEEB initiative in the ASEAN region. Thus, ACB implemented the ASEAN TEEB Scoping Study, which gathered and reviewed existing evidence on the value of ecosystem services in Southeast Asia. It identified key critical ecosystems and ecosystem services in Southeast Asia, conducted an initial set of case studies to highlight the value of ecosystem services, and identified and recommended policy relevant case studies in ASEAN Member States (AMS) to be conducted in a future full ASEAN TEEB study. The objective of the ASEAN TEEB Scoping Study is to pursue the mainstreaming process of the economics of ecosystems and biodiversity through the conduct of assessment and valuation of key ecosystems and ecosystem services in Southeast Asia. The study also aims to assist AMS to develop green growth economies. Follow-up efforts are underway to maintain the momentum of promoting TEEB in the region.



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## Global Targets Local Benefits

Setting the Sustainable Development Agenda for  
the Seas of East Asia beyond 2015

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