



Sustainable Management of Peatland Forests in Southeast Asia

Progress Report of Sustainable Management of Peatland Forests in Southeast Asia (November 2012 – December 2013)

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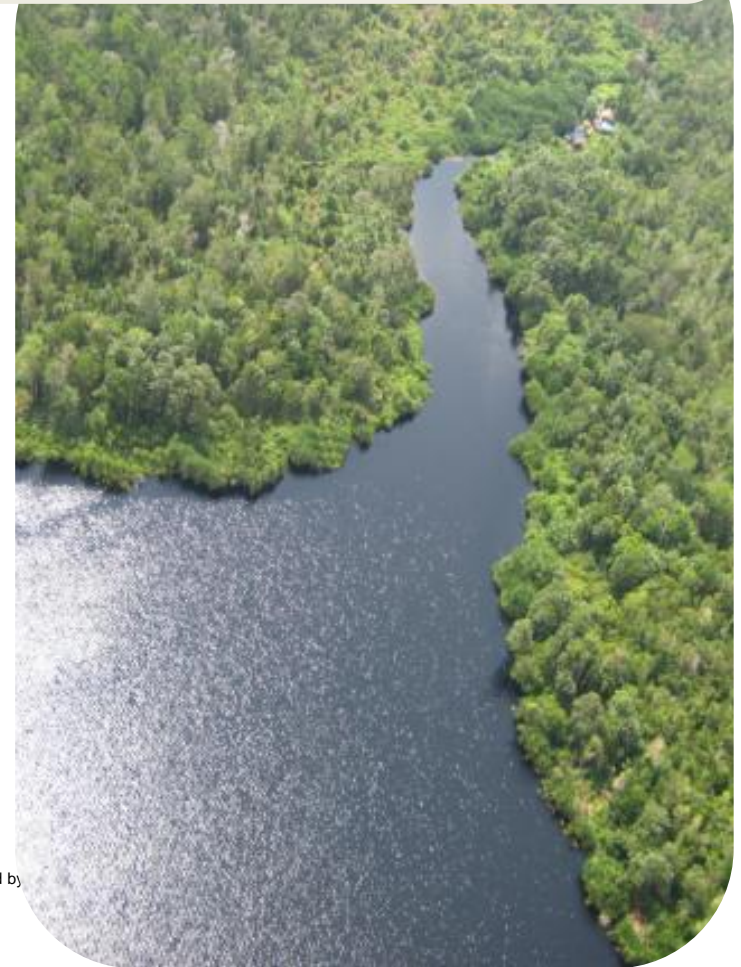
Organization: Global Environment Centre (GEC), Malaysia

Main target groups: Multistakeholder

Main area of work:

- 1) Pilot sites for BMP and incentives environmental)
- 2) Capacity building for APMS implementation

Location: Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam (regional and pilot activities); Brunei Darussalam and Singapore (regional activities)



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Associated Partners: The Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) Secretariat and ASEAN countries

Period of implementation:
15 Dec 2010 – 15 Dec 2014

Budget: 1,789,063.00 EUR

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Associated Partners



ASEAN Secretariat



Cambodia – Department of Wetlands and Coastal Zones, Ministry of Environment



Indonesia – Ministry of Environment/Riau Province



Lao PDR – Water Resources and Environment Administration



Malaysia – Forestry Department Peninsular Malaysia,/Selangor



Myanmar – National Commission for Environmental Affairs, Ministry of Forestry



Philippines – Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau, Department of Environment and Natural Resources



Thailand – Department of National Parks, Wildlife & Plant Conservation, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment



Viet Nam – Viet Nam Environment Administration, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources

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Management of the Project

Management and execution of SEApeat Project

- GEC (which is also the RPEA of the Associated ASEAN peatland Forests Project (APFP) is Executing agency
- Uses APFP existing arrangement for project governance i.e. PSC and Management Meetings (Supplements budget for PSC/Management meetings)

Grant conditions

- Budget allocation is through NGO execution modality.
- ASEAN Secretariat and AMS agencies are Associates

Objective of the Project

To reduce deforestation and degradation of peatland forests in Southeast Asia by strengthening governance and developing incentives to promote their integrated management, sustain local livelihoods, reduce GHG emissions and conserve biodiversity.



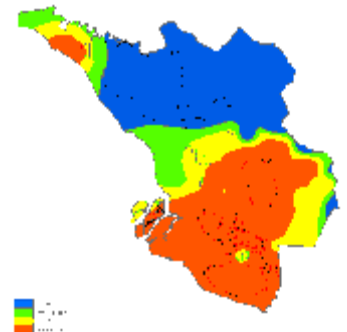
Main Outputs of the Project

1. Coordinated development and implementation of National Action Plans on Peatlands (NAPs) focusing on peatland forest management in selected ASEAN countries.
2. Pilot Projects established at local level to test incentives and promote best practices to reduce peatland deforestation and degradation.
3. Enhanced regional collaboration to identify fire prone peatlands and develop a fire prediction and warning system to reduce the rate of peatland deforestation and degradation.
4. Regional priorities for peatland forest conservation heightened and incentive mechanisms for conservation and sustainable management promoted.
5. Guidelines for integrated management of peatland forests and plantations on peatlands developed and promoted.

Regional Activities Supporting APFP

Primary Focus

- Support and promote APMS and NAPs
- Capacity building and awareness
- Resource mobilisation mechanisms
- Regional technical support and country guidance
- Regional priorities for peatland biodiversity conservation
- Stimulate regional collaboration on peatland carbon storage and climate vulnerability
- Development of Guidelines for integrated management of peatlands
- Regional prediction and monitoring of peat fires



Highlights of Project Implementation

(November 2012 – December 2013)

Regional Updates

- **ASEAN Peatland Management Strategy** has been translated into three languages (Khmer, Laotian and Burmese).
- Adoption of the **Revised ASEAN peatland management strategy (APMS)** in **COP-9 & COM-9**.
- Establishment of an **ASEAN Task Force on Peatlands** & adoption of a long term programme on peatlands 2014-2020.
- The **Southeast Asia Peat Network (SPN) database** has been established, targeting peatland sites and peat experts working in the ASEAN region.
- The **ASEAN Peatland Media Award** was launched in March to raise awareness of issues and challenges in peatland management.



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Regional Updates – cont'

- **New partnership with LEAF** (Lowering Emission of Asia Forest)- feasibility study of the carbon project for NSPSF.
- **ROM**- 30th Sep- 9th Oct in Malaysia, Philippines and Vietnam. The feedback from the EU Evaluator is positive.

Regional Updates

- Selected Regional meetings, workshops and trainings:
 - 17-19 June, 2013: **Peer Learning on Best Management Practices on Peatlands for Community Groups** in Banjarmasin, Indonesia
 - 25th July, 29th July, 2nd August, 2013: **Meeting on Plantation Sector Haze Prevention Initiative with Malaysian & Singaporean Private Sectors and Indonesian Government.**
 - 5th August & 10 September, 2013: **Study Visits on promoting BMPs to RMFR by ASEAN APFP & SEApeat representatives** in Selangor, Malaysia.
 - 8-10 September, 2013: **Planning Meeting to prepare for Phase 2 of the APFP/SEApeat** in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
 - 28 Oct- 1 Nov, 2013: **Technical Workshop on the Development of Fire Danger Rating System** in Selangor, Malaysia



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Peer learning programme on BMP on peatlands for community groups

➤ **Peer learning programme**
to Banjarmasin, Indonesia,
17-19 June 2013

involved 60 participants
from 6 countries
(Indonesia, Malaysia,
Philippines, Laos, Myanmar
& Thailand)



Technical Workshop on the Development of Fire Danger Rating System

**MMD Auditorium,
Selangor, Malaysia
28 Oct-1 Nov 2013**

- new open source FDRS developed by the Canadian Forest Service
- Strengthened capacity for use of regional FDRS, Initial capacity for national level FDRS



Planning Meeting to prepare for Phase 2 of the APFP/SEApeat Project

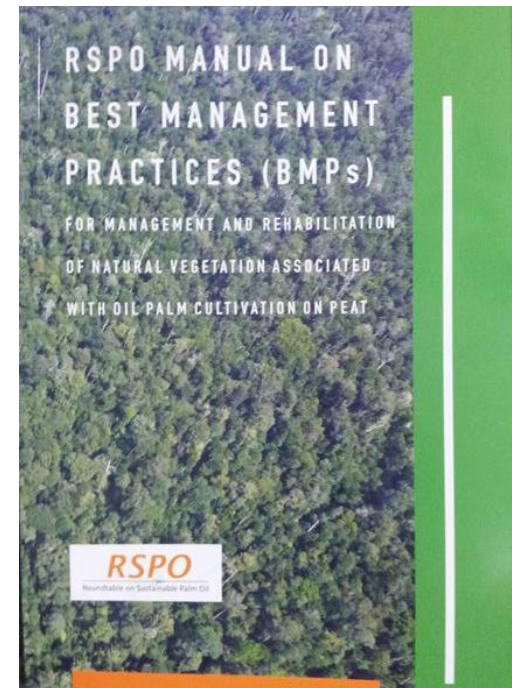
Selangor, Malaysia, 8-10 September 2013

- Discussed the plan for the next phase
- Attended by 25 representatives from ASEAN Countries



Participation in RSPO Task Force Meeting on Principle & Criteria of Sustainable Palm Oil (22-25 January) and Adoption of New P&C (April 25 2013)

- New BMP guideline (prepared with project input) has been acknowledged as a key tool for BMP on peat & restriction on future oil palm development on peat.



Communication/Visibility of the project

- **ASEAN Peatland Media Award** (2013) ongoing. Reminders sent out to relevant groups.
- Facebook has 298 Likes.
- ASEANpeat.net updated weekly, especially news and publications (downloadable).
- Peat Portal merged with Aseanpeat.
- Crown Prince of Selangor visit coverage in local newspaper:
<http://www.aseanpeat.net/news/master.cfm?&menuid=11&action=view&retrieveid=1708>



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TELL US ABOUT PEATLAND STORIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

1ST PRIZE
USD1,000 + CERTIFICATE
INCLUSIVE OF 3 DAYS, 2 NIGHTS STAY IN THE FRANGIPANI LANGKAWI RESORT & SPA

2ND PRIZE
USD500 + CERTIFICATE

3RD PRIZE
USD300 + CERTIFICATE

HOW TO ENTER?
VISIT US AT WWW.ASEANPEAT.NET

AWARD FOR THE MOST OUTSTANDING PRINT MEDIA
An investigative or explanatory feature on peatland related topic.
Eligibility: reports, newspaper, magazines, books or any other paper-based publications.

AWARD FOR THE MOST OUTSTANDING NEW MEDIA
Peatland feature or commentary.
Eligibility: Content is accessible online by public. (e.g. all online portals, blogs, video etc.)

* terms and conditions applied.

CLOSING DATE:
31ST DEC 2013

OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS / STUDENTS / JOURNALISTS
(MINIMUM 18 YEARS OLD)

Interested in environmental issues and had **writings or coverage** (related to peatland) published in any form of media (eg. electronic, print and broadcast) that are accessible to public from **1ST JAN - 31ST DEC 2013.**

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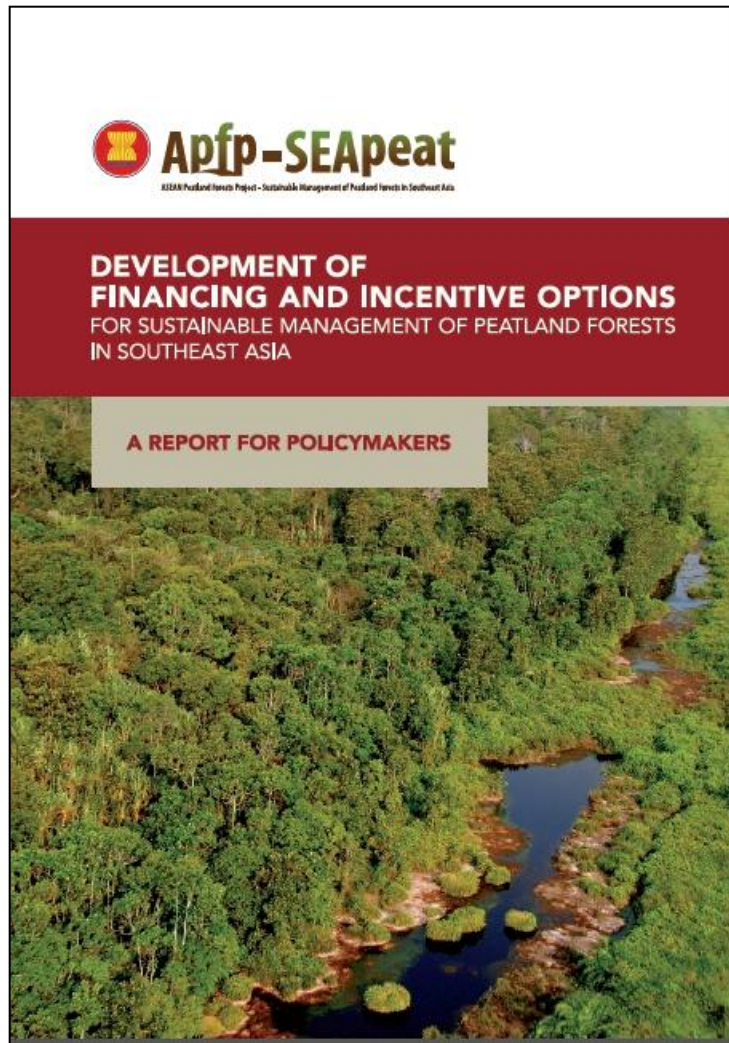
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New Publications

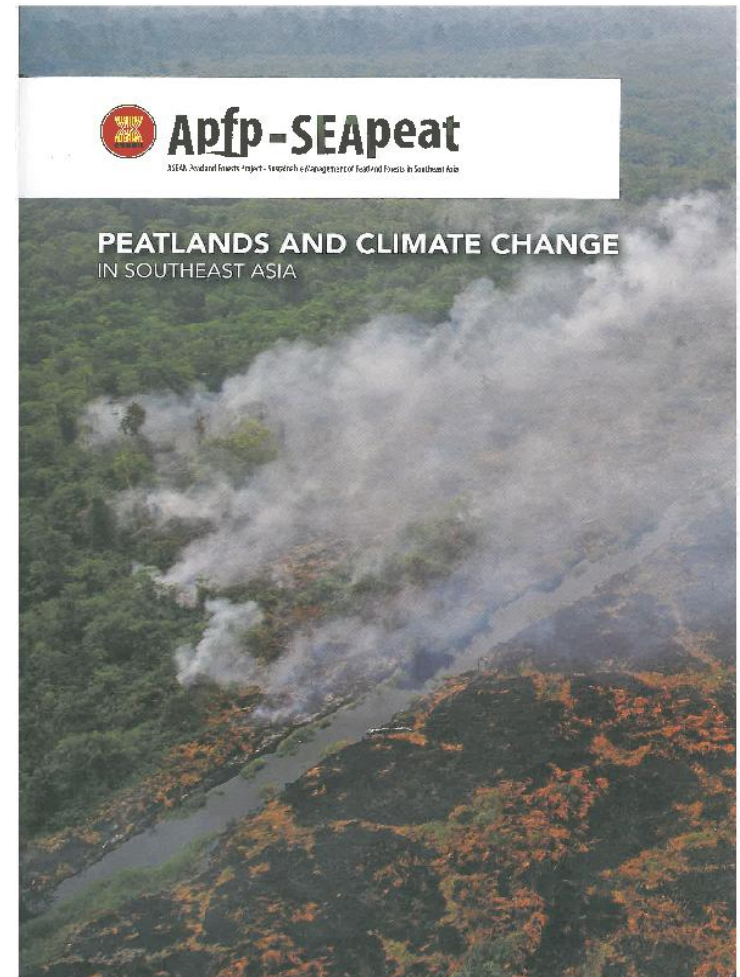


Development of Financing & Incentive Options



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Outreach and Inputs

International Conference on Wetlands, Donying, China, 21-25th Oct 2013

Keynote Presentation: Implementation Of the ASEAN Peatland Management Strategy 2006-2020

RSPO RT- 11, Medan, 30-31 Oct 2013

Oral Presentation: Facilitated group discussion on Peatland Fire prevention

IAMME in Surabaya, Indonesia, 23th – 25th September 2013.

Exhibition



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Project coordination and management

- Visit to Cambodia (5-10 June) & Indonesia (17-19 June) to review the countries progress
- Quarterly updates of each country (every three months)
- ROM visit to Malaysia (30 Sept-1 Oct), Philippines (2-5 Oct) and Vietnam (6-9 Oct)

Progress Reporting (APFP-SEApeat)

- Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting and the Ministerial Steering Committee Meeting (MSC) for the Mekong Region in Siem Reap (Cambodia), March 2013.
- 15th Technical Working group (TWG) meeting on Transboundary Haze Pollution in Malaysia , 16th July 2013.
- 9th COP/COM Meeting of the ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution in Indonesia on 23th – 25th September 2013.

Result Oriented Monitoring (ROM)

Malaysia



Philippines

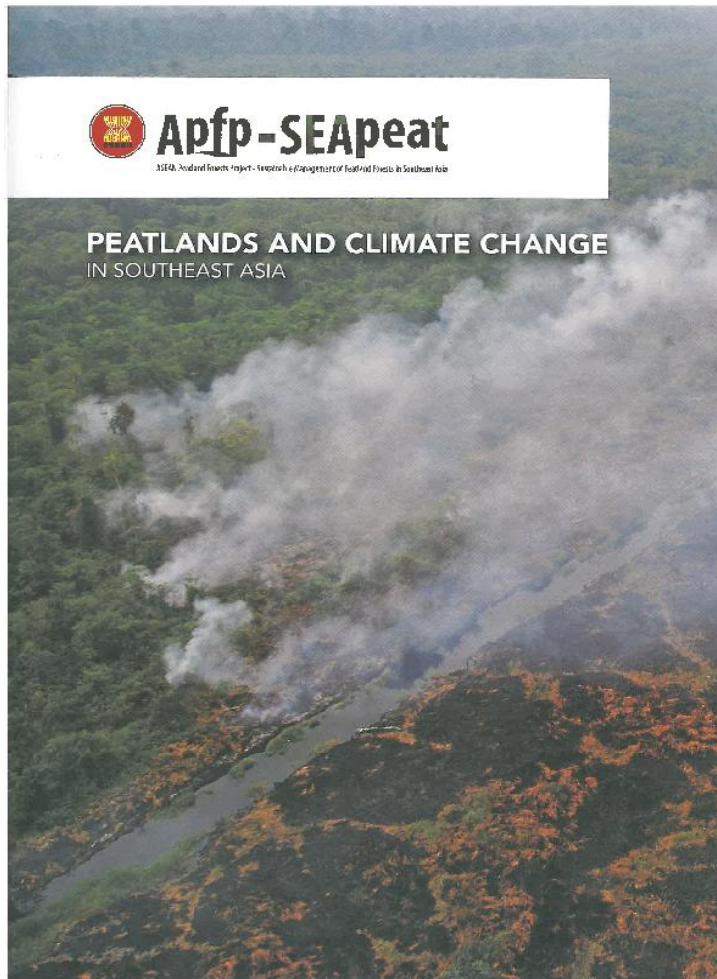


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