



# SEI Science Forum 2017

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Venue: Auditorium (Room 801), 7th Floor  
Chalerm Rajkumari 60 Building  
(Jamjuree 10)  
Chulalongkorn University,  
Bangkok, Thailand

Dates: 30 May 2017

Time	Activity	Speakers
8.30 – 9.00	Registration	
9.00 – 9.10	<b>Welcome and opening remarks SEI Science Forum 2017</b>	Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Niall O'Connor, Centre Director, SEI Asia</li> <li>- Kerstin Niblaeus, Chair of the Board, SEI</li> <li>- Bundhit Eua-arporn, President, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand</li> </ul>
9.10 – 9.50	<b>Panel Discussion Enhancing science for evidence-based policy: Towards an equitable, resilient and sustainable future for all</b>  The opening panel will explore how science can better support policy and decision-making to achieve more equitable, resilient and sustainable societies in Asia.	Moderator: Chayanis Krittasudthacheewa, Deputy Director, SEI Asia  Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bundhit Eua-arporn, President, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand</li> <li>- Anne-Charlotte Malm, Head of Development Cooperation, Embassy of Sweden</li> <li>- Wijarn Simachaya, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MONRE), Thailand</li> <li>- Stefanos Fotiou, Director of Environment and Development Division, UN ESCAP</li> <li>- Åsa Gerger Swartling, Research Directorate, SEI</li> </ul>
9.50 – 10.00	<b>Signing Ceremony</b> <i>A Memorandum of Understanding between Chulalongkorn University and SEI</i>  <b>Group Photo</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bundhit Eua-arporn, President, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand</li> <li>- Johan Kuylenstierna, Executive Director, SEI</li> </ul>
10.00 – 10.30	<b>Introducing SEI and Our Work in Asia</b>  This session will give a short introduction to SEI, including an overview of our current and future priority areas in Asia. Our work on Energy, Water Resource Management and Urbanization will be presented.	Moderator: Niall O'Connor, Centre Director, SEI Asia  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Johan Kuylenstierna, Executive Director, SEI</li> <li>- Oliver Johnson, Senior Research Fellow, SEI Asia</li> <li>- Steve Cinderby, Senior Research Leader, SEI York</li> <li>- Chusit Apirumanekul, Research Fellow, SEI Asia</li> </ul>
10.30 – 11.00	<b>Networking Break</b>	

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11.00 – 12.00	<p><b>Panel Discussion</b>  <b>The SDGs: Opportunities for gender equality and social equity in the Mekong Region</b></p> <p>This panel discussion session explores the current opportunities and limitations for achieving gender and social equity goals in the Mekong, against the context of the Sustainable Development Goals and their implementation in Asia. Following an introduction to the Gender, Environment and Development Cluster at SEI Asia, panelists representing our partners from different sectors and actors in the region with a wealth of gender and social equity expertise will bring their much-needed perspectives to this critical topic.</p>	<p>Moderator: Carl Middleton, Deputy Director for Research Affairs, MA in International Development Studies, and Director, Center for Social Development Studies, at Chulalongkorn University and SEI Associate</p> <p>Bernadette Resurrección, Senior Research Fellow and lead of the GED Cluster, SEI Asia</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kaing Khim, Deputy Director General of Fisheries Administration, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF), Cambodia</li> <li>- Kate Lappin, Regional Coordinator, Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD)</li> <li>- Nguyen Ngoc Ly, Director, Center for Environment and Community Research</li> <li>- John Dore, Senior Water Resources Specialist, Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</li> <li>- Mozaharul Alam, Regional Climate Change Coordinator, UN Environment ROAP</li> </ul>
12.00 – 13.30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13.30 - 14.30	<p><b>Panel Discussion</b>  <b>Enhancing the role of science in implementing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia</b></p> <p>This panel discussion session unpacks what it will take to enhance the role of science in disaster risk reduction (DRR), particularly towards implementation of the Sendai Framework. Following an introduction to the Reducing Disaster Risk Cluster at SEI Asia, panelists representing our partners from different sectors and actors in the region with a wealth of DRR expertise will bring their much-needed perspectives to this critical topic.</p>	<p>Moderator: Louis Lebel, Director, Unit for Social and Environmental Research at Chiang Mai University and SEI Associate</p> <p>Frank Thomalla, Senior Research Fellow and lead of the Reducing Disaster Risk (RDR) Cluster, SEI Asia</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hans Guttman, Executive Director, Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC)</li> <li>- Parichatt Krongkant, Consultant on Disability Inclusive DRR, Thailand Research Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities Foundation</li> <li>- Ladylyn Lim Mangada, Associate Professor in Political Science, University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College</li> <li>- Rajib Shaw, Professor, Graduate School of Media and Governance at Keio University, Science Committee Member of Integrated Research on Disaster Risk (IRDR) and Co-chair of UNISDR Asian Science &amp; Technology Academic Advisory Group (ASTAAG)</li> <li>- Natalie Phaholyothin, Associate Director, The Rockefeller Foundation</li> </ul>

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14.30 – 15.30	<p><b>Panel Discussion</b>  <b>From Paris to Asia: towards a meaningful and inclusive implementation of the Paris Agreement</b></p> <p>This panel discussion session takes us on a journey from Paris to Asia; a journey towards meaningful and inclusive implementation of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change in Asia. Following an introduction to the Adaptation to Climate Change Cluster at SEI Asia, panelists representing our partners from different sectors and actors in the region with a wealth of climate change expertise will bring their much-needed perspectives to this critical topic.</p>	<p>Moderator: May Aung, Research Associate, SEI Asia</p> <p>Albert Salamanca, Research Fellow and lead of the Adaptation to Climate Change Cluster, SEI Asia</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Naruemon Tubchumpon, Assistant Professor in Politics and Program Director, MA in International Development Studies, Chulalongkorn University</li> <li>- Richard Klein, Senior Research Fellow, SEI</li> <li>- Daniel Klasander, First Secretary and Regional Programme Manager, Development Cooperation Section, Embassy of Sweden</li> <li>- Ipat Luna, Undersecretary, Philippine Department of Environment and Natural Resources</li> <li>- Wanun Permpibul, Director, Climate Watch Thailand</li> </ul>
15.30 – 16.00	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b>  <i>Looking forward to 2030: What roles can we play towards achieving goals and targets?</i></p> <p>This session brings the 2017 SEI Science Forum to a close by asking a critical questions of this year's panelists and participants; how can we, as individual institutions and as valuable partners of one another, best contribute towards the implementation of the global frameworks that we have discussed today in Asia?</p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Niall O'Connor, Centre Director, SEI Asia</li> <li>- Johan Kuylenstierna, Executive Director, SEI</li> </ul>
16.00 – 18.00	<p><b>Reception and Photo Exhibition</b></p> <p>The Science Forum reception and a showcase of photos depicting our work across the SEI Centres.</p> <p><i>Venue: Mezzanine floor of the Auditorium</i></p>	<p>Moderator: Rajesh Daniel, Communications Coordinator, SEI Asia</p>

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