ASEAN Co-operation Initiative in Quality Assurance

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Background of ASEAN University Network (AUN)

- **The AUN was established in November 1995.**

  - **Charter of the ASEAN University Network** was signed by the ASEAN Ministers responsible for higher education.

  - **Agreement on the Establishment of the ASEAN University Network** was signed by the Presidents, Rectors and Vice-Chancellors of participating universities.

Objectives of the AUN

- **To promote co-operation and solidarity among ASEAN scholars and academicians**

- **To develop academic and professional human resource**

- **To promote information dissemination among ASEAN academic community**

- **To enhance the awareness of regional identity and the sense of ASEANness among members**

21 AUN Member Universities
(10 ASEAN countries)

Association of South East Asian Nations

Brunei
- Universiti Brunei Darussalam

Cambodia
- Royal University of Phnom Penh

Indonesia
- Universitas Gadjah Mada
- Universitas Indonesia
- Institut Technologi Bandung

Lao PDR
- National University of Laos

Malaysia
- University of Malaya
- Universiti Sains Malaysia
- Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia

Myanmar
- Institute of Economics, Yangon
- University of Yangon

Philippines
- University of the Philippines
- De La Salle University
- Anteneo University

Singapore
- National University of Singapore
- Nanyang Technological University

Thailand
- Chulalongkorn University
- Burapha University
- Mahidol University

Vietnam
- Vietnam National University, Hanoi
- Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City

Implementation of the AUN major activities:

1. ASEAN Studies Programme (M.A. in ASEAN Studies)
2. Student and Faculty Exchange Programme
    - 2.1 AUN Educational Forum and Young Speakers Contest
    - 2.2 ASEAN Youth Cultural Forum
    - 2.3 Student Exchange Programme
    - 2.4 AUN Distinguished Scholars Programme
3. Collaborative Research
4. Information Networking (AUNILO)
5. AUN Quality Assurance (AUN-QA)

Co-operation with ASEAN's Dialogue Partners

Co-operation under ASEAN-China

» **ASEAN-China Academic Co-operation and Exchange Programme**

Co-operation under ASEAN-EU

- **ECAPII/AUN Intellectual Property Education Project**
- **ASEAN-European Engineering Exchange Programme (ASE3)**

Co-operation under ASEAN-Japan

» **AUN/Southeast Asia Engineering Education Development Network (AUN/SEED-Net)**

Co-operation under ASEAN-Korea

» **ASEAN-ROK Academic Exchange Programme**
» **International College Student Exchange Programme between Korea and ASEAN Nations**
» **Promotion of ASEAN and Korean Studies**
» **AUN-Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology Scholarship programme**

Establishment of AUNQANET Task Force

Bangkok Accord on AUN-QA in 2000: All members shall….

1. Appoint Chief Quality Officer (CQOs) & organising workshops on AUN-QA for CQOs every six months

2. Formulate common AUN-QA policies, criteria and benchmarking procedures

3. Identify and encourage the implementation of QA good practices

4. **Enchance mutual collaboration and information exchange**

5. **Invite and facilitate auditing, assessment and review by other member universities as well as by external bodies**

6. **Be responsible for the implementation of this Accord**

7. **Seek further and deeper engagement regarding QA in higher education with ASEAN Dialogue Partners**

AUN-QA Common Policies

AUN Member Universities shall…

1) strive to improve the implementation of a QA System

2) institute a QA exchange and training programme

3) formulate a plan by which the QA System of Member Universities could be enhanced and commonly recognised by AUN

4) welcome cross-external audits using commonly agreed upon auditing instruments

5) quality criteria of the core activities of Member Universities shall be the foundation of any audit instruments formulated by AUN
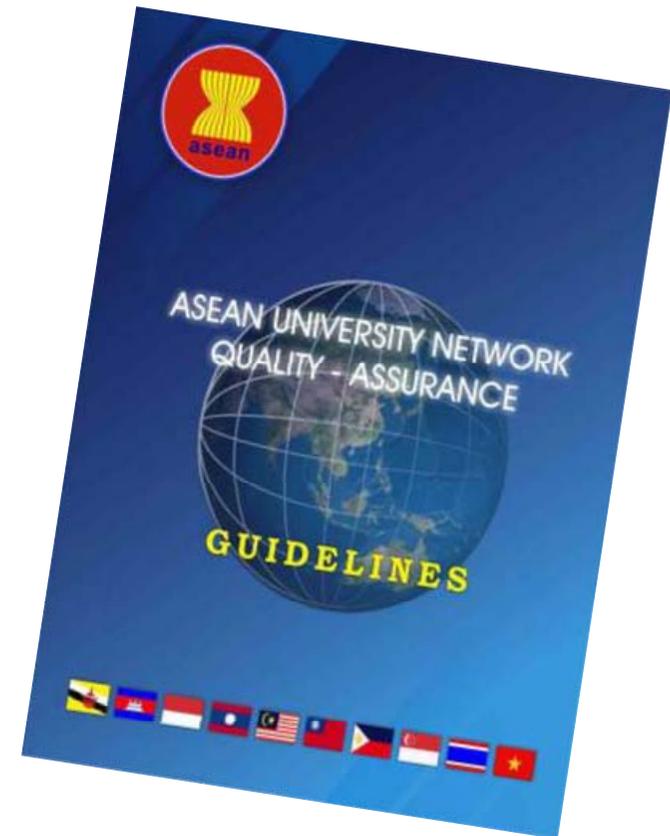
AUN-QA Common Criteria

1 QA System
2 Teaching/Learning
3 Research
4 Services
5 Ethics
6 HRD

AUN-QA Achievement

- 1st (2001) – 6th workshops (2004)

→ **AUN-QA Guidelines**
<http://www.aun-sec.org>

AUNP Technical Assistance on QA (2005)

- ## With AUNP support,

  - the ASEAN Regional QA Workshop and 8 National Workshops were organised by Drs Ton Vroeijenstijn.

  - Training on Self-Assessment and Audit for the AUN-QA was conducted in Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

  ### As the results:

  - Agreed to revise the AUN-QA Guidelines
  - Selected voluntary CQOs to assist other AUN Member Universities for QA System Development

AUN & German Rectors' Conference (HRK)

- **Follow-up from the Yogyakarta Workshop:**
  - The HRK expressed the intension of co-operation in the field of QA with AUN;
    - Informal meeting of the "Steering Group" for the project "Towards a manual for AUN-QA"

- **With CQOs' co-operation, the final draft of a manual for the Guidelines was endorsed by the 20th AUN-BOT meeting in November 2006.**

- **The manual was supported by HRK.**

- **Currently, AUN is disseminating the manual to AUN and Non-AUN Member Universities.**

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AUN-QA continuation

- **The 7th AUN-QA Workshop was organised on 3-4 May 2007 in Burapha University, Thailand.**

Theme: "Internal Quality Assessment at Institutional and Programme Level"

Objectives

- **To continue AUN-QA activities and further enhance higher education standard**

- **To practice "Manual for Implementation of AUN-QA Guidelines" by assessing the programme level (Engineering programme)**

- **To gain the experience in the IQA at institutional and programme level**

Outcomes

- Gain experiences in implementing "AUN-QA Guidelines & Manual"
- Refine the Manual for better implementation by CQOs' Task force
- Set up the CQOs' Team for promoting AUN-QA System within ASEAN and with other regions
- Strengthening the AUN-QA System among AUN Member Universities
  - Actual assessment programme for voluntary AUN Member Universities
- Agree on the preparation of **"AUN-QA Label"???**

Future Activities (I)

- **Actual assessment at programme level (Business and Engineering programme) by AUN-CQOs' Team:**

  - University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur on 11-12 December 2007

  - De La Salle University, Philippines in June 2008

  - University of Indonesia, Jakarta in December 2008

  - University Brunei Darussalam in June 2009

  - Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh in December 2009

Future Activities (II)

- **AUN-CQOs' Team will conduct the series of training/workshop in CLMV countries supported by ASEAN (tentatively in early 2008).**

- **AUN-CQOs will prepare details for AUN-BOT approval in order to certify "AUN-QA Label" in the future.**

Thank you....**ขอบคุณค่ะ**