



**ASEAN Young Scientists Connect (AYSC)**  
**Building Regional Teams for Future Research Collaboration**  
**19 May 2026, 8:30 – 15:00 hr.**  
**Venue: Vimarn Ballroom, Dusit Thani Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand**  
**Format: Hybrid**

The AYSC aims to empower young and mid-career researchers across ASEAN and partner countries to build impactful international research careers through global collaboration, networking, and interdisciplinary exchange. Held within the framework of the 14th Global Research Council (GRC) Annual Meeting 2026: Building Global Research Communities for Sustainable Development, the event will provide participants with insights into international funding opportunities, cross-border research collaboration, and career development pathways, while fostering regional connections and supporting the co-creation of future collaborative research initiatives that contribute to sustainable development and regional scientific capacity building.

Time	Session	Venue
08:30 – 09:00	<b>Registration &amp; Networking</b>	
09:00 – 09:30	<b>Welcome Remarks by</b> - Prof. Dr. Sompong Klaynongsruang, President of TSRI, Thailand	
09:30 – 10:30	<p><b>Panel Session: “Funding Opportunities for Global Collaboration”</b></p> <p><i>This session provides participants with insights into international and regional funding opportunities that support global research collaboration. Representatives from leading funding agencies will share perspectives on funding mechanisms, partnership opportunities, and strategies for developing competitive international collaborations. The session aims to help researchers better navigate the global research funding landscape and expand opportunities for ASEAN-led collaborative research with international partners.</i></p> <p><b>List of delegates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Reiko Yuguchi, Secretary General for the e-ASIA JRP Secretariat (Thailand), JST</li> <li>- Mr. Chavit Uttamachai, Science and Innovation Advisor, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office King's College London. Thailand</li> <li>- K.R.M.H. Dr. Tatas Brotosudarmo, EURAXESS Worldwide Representative for ASEAN Focus countries, European Research council, ERC</li> <li>- Prof. Dr. Vissanu Meeyoo, Vice President of TSRI</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Asst. Prof. Dr. Jutarop Phetcharaburanin, Thailand</p>	Vimarn Room
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee Break	

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10:45 – 11:45	<p><b>Panel Session: “Building Impactful Research Careers through Global Collaboration”</b></p> <p><i>This inspirational panel brings together outstanding researchers and emerging research leaders from across ASEAN to share their journeys in overcoming challenges and building impactful research careers through international collaboration. The session will highlight how global partnerships, mobility, and research networks can shape career development, strengthen scientific impact, and contribute to national and regional development.</i></p> <p><b>List of delegates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Sarah Augustina, National Research and Innovation Agency (BRIN), Indonesia</li> <li>- Prof. Dr. Rosdiadee Nordin, Co-Director Future Cities Research Institute (FCRI) Sunway University (Malaysia) &amp; Lancaster University (United Kingdom), Malaysia</li> <li>- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Arce D. Bellere, Director, Mushroom Processing and Research Center Central Bicol State University of Agriculture, Philippines</li> <li>- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sarana Nutanong, Vidyasirimedhi Institute of Science and Technology, Thailand</li> <li>- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Hồng Quân, Vice-chairman of the Council Board, Director Institute for Circular Economy Development (ICED), Vietnam National University - HO CHI MINH CITY (VNU-HCM), Vietnam</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Asst. Prof. Dr. Worajit Setthapun, Thailand</p>	
11:45 – 12:00	<p><b>Session 1: Mini Project Group Discussion: “ASEAN Project Co-Creation Session”</b></p> <p><i>This interactive session provides participants with the opportunity to form thematic, interdisciplinary, and cross-country groups to exchange research ideas and co-create potential collaborative project concepts addressing regional and global challenges. The session encourages networking, peer learning, and the development of future ASEAN research partnerships.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Asst. Prof. Dr. Jutarop Phetcharaburanin, Thailand</p>	
12:00 – 13:30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>	
13:30 – 15:30	<p><b>Session 2: Mini Project Group Presentation</b></p> <p><i>In this session, each group will present their proposed collaborative project concepts and receive feedback from moderators and peers. The session aims to strengthen collaborative thinking, encourage future research partnerships, and inspire participants to further develop their ideas into impactful regional and international research initiatives.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Asst. Prof. Dr. Jutarop Phetcharaburanin, Thailand</p>	

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19.00 – 21.00	<b>Networking: Welcome Reception with Global Research Council (GRC)</b>	Napalai, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor