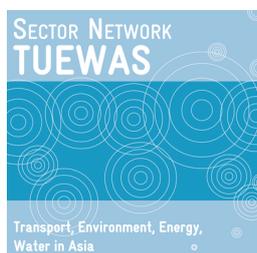
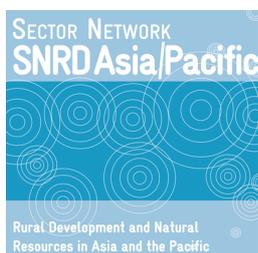


**2022**

# **JOINT SECTOR NETWORKS REGIONAL CONFERENCE**

**of SNRD Asia and the Pacific & TUEWAS**

Information Booklet



19 - 23 September 2022 | Avani Riverside Bangkok | Bangkok, Thailand

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# Welcome to

## Joint Sector Networks Regional Conference 2022

Dear participants,

We are delighted to welcome you to the Joint Conference of the Sector Networks SNRD in Asia and the Pacific & TUEWAS on *“Transformative Change for Future-Readiness in Asia and the Pacific – Understand, Envision, Implement”!*

The Sector Network conferences, which are usually held every two years, provide a face-to-face platform for the members to get to know each other, learn from one another, engage in technical discussions, promote cross-border learning and personally meet in the Working Groups and Task Forces. This year’s conference is set up as a Joint Conference between the two Sector Networks operating in Asia – the SNRD Asia and the Pacific and TUEWAS.

The 2022 Conference focuses on the transformational change that will shape our work and cooperation internally and externally in the coming years. The conference aims to incite learning and exchange on topics, trends, challenges and ideas related to the global paradigm shifts and transformational needs that we are seeing. This includes major political, economic and societal challenges to safeguard our living planet – topics such as green climate resilience, just transition, building back better and building green and circular economies, halting biodiversity loss and restoring ecosystems. At the same time, there are key cross-cutting actions we need to make to ensure this change happens in an inclusive, effective and sustainable way – gender-transformative approaches, digitalisation, strengthening partnerships and alliances to name a few. To be “future-ready”, we need to **understand** what this means for the Asia and the Pacific region. We need to **envision** how to embrace and promote this change and how to **find and implement** best solutions.

The conference will offer several formats to make it an engaging and interactive experience for you. We will meet in plenary and breakout sessions, we will hear from external thought leaders and experts in a panel discussion and dive deeper on various technical topics using Open Space Technology and other exchange formats. We will have a look at expectations for the future together and better understand how to use our talents. You will be able to meet colleagues and learn about inspiring and transformative initiatives in the marketplace.

There will be plenty of opportunities for the projects to showcase their work and for the participants to contribute to the discussions. Besides two days of conference sessions, a day is exclusively kept for parallel technical session led by the Working Groups and Task Forces of the two Sector Networks, and a day for networking among the participants in the beautiful settings of the Ancient City in Bangkok.

We are still taking precautions to prevent further spreading of COVID-19 pandemic and have therefore limited the number of on-site participants. But the good news is that we are arranging for web-streaming of the main conference parts and will be facilitating online participation during the plenary days of the conference. The Working Group speakers and Task Force leads will also have the possibility to arrange for virtual participation for the technical discussions.

We warmly encourage your active participation in the conference and welcome your feedback, ideas and thoughts at any time during and after the conference. The Secretariat of SNRD AP and TUEWAS is working with full steam to ensure a wonderful and inspiring experience during the conference.

We are all very much looking forward to welcoming you in Bangkok soon!

Sincerely,

Lisa, Raghu and the Secretariat team Donaya, Wilaiwan, Natcha, and Khaekhai

# WHAT IS **Sector Network**

## AND WHAT IS **SNRD Asia and the Pacific**

## and **TUEWAS**?

GIZ sector networks have the following objectives:

- Learning and cooperating in the region
- Creating added value for the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and partners
- Onboarding of new employees by connecting them to other experts
- Stimulating and contributing to innovation.

The sector networks operate mainly through various working groups on relevant topics. In addition, they use formats, such as regional conferences, strategy meetings and task teams.

As part of GIZ's **knowledge and innovation management**, our overarching goals, as stipulated in the Sector Network Guidelines, are:

- to promote joint, supranational learning within the region
- to generate additional value for our clients and partners
- to facilitate sectoral onboarding for GIZ's sector personnel and partner experts
- to promote innovation

### **SNRD Asia and the Pacific**

The **Sector Network Natural Resources and Rural Development in Asia and the Pacific (SNRD Asia and the Pacific)**, established in the mid-80s, is a **regional network** that promotes the exchange of knowledge and experience in the domains of natural resources and rural development in Asia and the Pacific.

SNRD Asia and the Pacific is also working in collaboration with other Sector Networks within and across thematic focus and regions, such as **TUEWAS (Sector Network Transport, Environment, Energy, and Water in Asia)**, **SNRD Africa and Assets for Asia**.

A joint Secretariat between the **SNRD Asia and the Pacific** and **TUEWAS** has been established and is located in Bangkok, Thailand.

### **TUEWAS**

The **Sector Network Transport, Environment, Energy and Water in Asia (TUEWAS)** is a **regional network** that promotes the exchange of knowledge and experience in the domains of Transport, Environment, Energy, and Water in Asia and the Pacific.

TUEWAS is also working in collaboration with other Sector Networks within and across thematic focus and regions, such as **SNRD Asia and the Pacific (Sector Network Natural Resources and Rural Development in Asia and the Pacific)**, **SNGA (Sector Network Governance Asia)** and **Assets for Asia**.

A joint Secretariat between **TUEWAS** and **SNRD Asia and the Pacific** is located in Bangkok, Thailand.

SNRD Asia and the Pacific currently links **78 projects and programmes** in many countries across Asia and the Pacific. As of 2022, the structure of the Sector Network has changed. Currently, there are 7 Working Groups and 4 Task Forces:

**Working Groups**

- Agriculture
- Climate Change Adaptation
- Biodiversity
- Green Education
- Hills to Ocean
- Forest
- SDGs

**Task Forces**

- Climate- Smart Agricultural Value Chains
- BIOH - One-Health Analysis Framework
- Digital Transformation
- Innovations in Gender Transformations for Rural Development in Asia

TUEWAS currently links **75 projects and programmes** in many countries across Asia and the Pacific. As of 2022, the structure of the Sector Network has changed. Currently, there are 4 Working Groups and 11 Task Forces:

**Working Groups**

**Task Forces**

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Transport                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carbon Neutral Freight Transport</li> </ul>   |
| Environment               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circular Economy, Sustainable Waste Management and Marine Litter Prevention</li> <li>• Sustainable Urban Development</li> <li>• Disaster Management and Climate Resilience</li> </ul>   |
| Energy                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digitalisation of the Energy Sector (DigEn)</li> <li>• Collaboration with German Utilities for the Promotion of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency in TUEWAS Countries</li> <li>• Collection of the Content for a state-of-the-art Distribution Grid Operation Toolbox</li> <li>• Regional Development of Agriphotovoltaics and Aquavoltaics</li> </ul> |
| Water                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TBA</li> </ul>  |
| Cross Cutting Task Forces | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digital Transformation</li> <li>• Sustainable Industrial Areas</li> <li>• Transforming Climate Change into Urban Opportunities (Turbocllic)</li> </ul>  |

**Learn more about the sector networks**

- **Microsoft Teams Room (bulletin board)** – An interactive space with all SNRD AP or TUEWAS members. You can post, share, or ask questions at your convenience. [SNRD AP](#) [TUEWAS](#)
- **E-Newsletter** – Quarterly newsletters available for both GIZ colleagues and externals. [SNRD AP](#) [TUEWAS](#)
- **Website** – Knowledge Management platform where useful information of SN structure, news, events, and activities are shared for GIZ colleagues and externals. [SNRD AP](#) [TUEWAS](#)
- **Digital Project Map** – A regional project map of SNRD AP or TUEWAS member projects accessible by GIZ colleagues and external. [SNRD AP](#) [TUEWAS](#)

## Transformative Change for Future-Readiness in Asia and the Pacific

Understand | Envision | Implement  
19 - 23 September 2022 – Bangkok, Thailand



# Conference Programme

| Date/Time     | Mon 19 September   | Tue 20 September - Focus: Understand   | Wed 21 September - Focus: Envision  | Thu 22 September - Focus: Implement   | Fri 23 September  |
|---------------|--|--|---|---|---|
| 09:00 – 10:30 | Arrival of participants & Registration   | <b>Opening &amp; Welcome</b><br><i>Mr. Reinhold Eiges, Country Director Thailand</i><br><i>Ms. Lisa Hunsinger, Spokesperson SNRD AP</i><br><i>Mr. Raghur Nukala, Spokesperson TUEWAS</i>   | Optional Morning Yoga<br><br><b>Mission of Day 2 &amp; Recap of Day 1</b><br><br><b>7x7: Envisioning transformative change</b><br><i>TEDx-style inputs by thematic area experts</i> | Optional Morning Exercise<br><br><b>Driving transformative change through SNRD AP &amp; TUEWAS</b><br>Parallel technical discussions I along thematic areas<br>Led by WG & TF leads | Depart from hotel to Ancient City<br><br><b>Closing Plenary</b><br><i>Ms. Lisa Hunsinger, Spokesperson SNRD AP</i><br><i>Mr. Raghur Nukala, Spokesperson TUEWAS</i> |
| 10:30 – 11:00 |  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Showing GIZ's ideas and impacts for Asia and the Pacific</b><br><i>Marketplace by SNRD AP &amp; TUEWAS member projects</i>  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Co-Creating and Collaborative Action for transformative change</b><br><i>Open space Method</i>   | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Driving transformative change through SNRD AP &amp; TUEWAS</b><br>Parallel technical discussions II along thematic areas<br>Led by WG & TF leads             | Coffee Break<br><br><b>A tour around Ancient City</b>   |
| 11:00 – 12:30 |  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Opening statement and discussion on challenges and trends for German development cooperation in the Asia and Pacific region</b><br><i>Mr. Georg Schmidt, H.E. Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany together with</i><br><i>Mrs. Kerstin Nagels, Head of Department Asia I, GIZ</i><br><i>Mr. Jochen Renger, Head of Department Climate, Rural Development, Infrastructure, GIZ</i>   | Lunch at The Market (Riverside, ground floor)<br><br><b>GIZ got solutions</b><br>Showcasing transformative approaches for Asia and the Pacific developed by GIZ                     | Lunch at Skyline (11 <sup>th</sup> Floor)<br><br><b>SNRD AP / TUEWAS Plenaries</b><br>Parallel Plenary Meetings<br>*for Steering group members only                                 | Lunch   |
| 12:30 – 14:00 |  | Lunch at Luna (10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)<br><br><b>Transformative trends and drivers of change in Asia and the Pacific</b><br>Talk-show<br><i>Prof. Sherman Cruz, Chair at the Association of Professional Futurists (virtual)</i><br><i>Ms. Sungah Lee, Deputy Director General, IUCN (virtual)</i><br><i>Ms. Natchelle Phrohoyothin, Chief Executive Officer, WWF Thailand</i><br><i>Mr. Surayan Yichitlekarn, Executive Director, Mekong Institute</i><br><i>Dr. Karinka Weinberger, Chief of Environment and Development Policy Section, UNESCAP</i><br>Moderator: <i>Mr. Jost Wagner, Conference Facilitator and Chief Navigator, Asia-Pacific Futures Network (APFN)</i> | Lunch at The Market (Riverside, ground floor)<br><br><b>From foresight to insight to action</b><br>Interactive discussions and reflections in plenary                               | Lunch at Skyline (11 <sup>th</sup> Floor)<br><br><b>SNRD AP / TUEWAS Plenaries</b><br>Parallel Plenary Meetings<br>*for Steering group members only                                 | Lunch   |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | <b>Working Group / Task Force Meetings (optional)</b><br>**flexible time slots from 14:00-16:30  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Foresight radar: Emerging trends, challenges, scenarios</b><br>World Café-style conversation  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>From foresight to insight to action</b><br>Interactive discussions and reflections in plenary  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Bazaar of Possibilities</b><br>Gallery walk with display of the WG and TF achievements and plans & snacks and drinks   | Coffee Break<br><br>Depart from Ancient City  |
| 15:30 – 16:00 |  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Closing of Day 1</b>  | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Closing Day 2 &amp; Outlook to Day 3</b>   | Coffee Break<br><br><b>Bazaar of Possibilities</b><br>Gallery walk with display of the WG and TF achievements and plans & snacks and drinks   | Coffee Break<br><br>Depart from Ancient City  |
| 16:00 – 17:30 | <b>Joint SNRD AP/TUEWAS Steering Group Meeting</b><br>*for Steering group members only<br>16:30-18:00  | <b>Joint Dinner Cruise</b>   | <b>Closing Day 2 &amp; Outlook to Day 3</b>   | <b>Bazaar of Possibilities</b><br>Gallery walk with display of the WG and TF achievements and plans & snacks and drinks   | Depart from Ancient City  |
| 18:30 – 20:30 | Live streaming with options for virtual participants to interact during the session<br>Smaller group discussion, no live streaming<br>Technical discussion, participants can join via MS Teams (organised by Topic lead) | <b>Joint Steering Group Meeting</b><br>Networking Activities   | <b>Closing Day 2 &amp; Outlook to Day 3</b>   | <b>Bazaar of Possibilities</b><br>Gallery walk with display of the WG and TF achievements and plans & snacks and drinks   | Arrive at the hotel   |

\*\*\* Participants can choose to leave after lunch to the airport or back to the hotel  
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at: [donava.siamwall@giz.de](mailto:donava.siamwall@giz.de)

# BEFORE

# Travelling

## Entry Measures for Thai and Foreign Nationals

From 1 July 2022, Thailand Pass or a medical insurance are no longer required as the entry measures are alleviated. Still, upon arrival, please present **certificate of vaccination** (for those who are fully vaccinated) or **RT-PCR / Professional ATK COVID-19 test result** issued within 72 hours before departure

## Vaccination Criteria

Thailand accepts all types of vaccine combinations, provided that the interval between the first and second dose is the period recommended by the manufacturer of the first dose. Please refer to the list below for the intervals recommended by each manufacturer when their vaccine is the first dose.

| 2 weeks   | 3 weeks   | 4 weeks   |
|---|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sinovac</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pfizer-BioNTech</li><li>• Sinopharm</li><li>• Sputnik V</li><li>• Novavax / Covovax</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AstraZeneca</li><li>• Moderna</li><li>• Covaxin</li><li>• Medigen</li><li>• TURKOVAC / ERUCOV-VAC</li></ul> |

Only those who get their second dose at least 14 days before travelling are considered fully vaccinated. However, those who get Janssen (Johnson&Johnson) or Sputnik Light are considered fully vaccinated 14 days after the first dose.

Those who have had COVID-19 can also travel into the country while only getting the first dose if they can present a medical certificate of full recovery and the first dose was administered after the recovery.

For more information on vaccination criteria and certificate of vaccination, please visit [COVID-19 vaccine guide for travellers to Thailand - TAT Newsroom](#)

## A Few Things to Consider

Please make sure that all your documents are ready for immigration procedure, namely your passport, visa, invitation letter and vaccination certificate or COVID-19 test result (more information below). You can check your country's visa requirement [here](#).

When you book your flight, we would like to ask all participants to provide CO2 emission on their tickets as we plan to record this and try to pay back with the activities during the Conference. So, when you are booking a flight, be sure to ask your agent to provide this piece of information. Moreover, while you may be entitled to the business class, we would like to encourage you to take the economy or economy plus class instead, in order to reduce the level of CO2 emission and to comply with the Green Conference approach.

# What to Bring?

## Dress Code

Business casual will go with the semi formal mood of the Conference. Most activities will happen in air-conditioned rooms, so it would not be too warm.

## Clothing

In September, Bangkok's weather is expected to range from 25 to 33 degrees Celsius with quite a lot of rain forecasted, so we would recommend you bring adequate summer attire with a few items fit for rain, such as a raincoat or an umbrella, when you go out of the hotel. Please note that the rains in Bangkok are usually heavy and accompanied by strong winds, so if you bring an umbrella, make sure that it is a strong one.

For our networking trip on the last day, casual summer attire that allows a lot of movements is recommended since you will be biking or driving golf carts around the Ancient City. Sneakers, t-shirts with shorts, skirts, jeans or trousers as well as hats to protect from the sun would be ideal.

## Personal Items

To be well-equipped for the tropical climate, sunscreen and mosquito spray are excellent items to have to help protect your skin from burns and bites. You can also pick these things up at the common convenience stores, namely 7-Eleven, FamilyMart or Lawson 108. A convenient store can also be found adjacent to the Avani+ lobby in the mall zone.

## Sustainability

Although water is served in glasses at the conference, to minimize the resource that will be used for cleaning glasses, we encourage all participants to bring their own reusable water bottles. There will be water dispensers around the conference area. The bottles will also be useful for the trip on Friday.

## Digital Devices

To take full advantage of the conference activities and connecting with colleagues from the region, we would recommend you bring at least a mobile digital device, either a smart phone, a tablet or a laptop, and its charger. The sockets here are compatible with plug types A, B, C and O. The voltage is 230 volts and the frequency is 50 Hz. You may consider bringing an adapter if you want to be extra sure. For more information, please visit: [Thailand - Power plug, socket & mains voltage in Thailand \(worldstandards.eu\)](http://Thailand - Power plug, socket & mains voltage in Thailand (worldstandards.eu)).



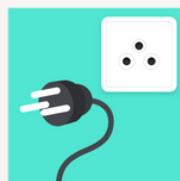
Type A



Type B



Type C



Type O



Power outlet

# Upon

# ARRIVAL

## Stay on the Grid

To make sure that you can get back online as soon as you landed, you can buy a sim card from AIS or TrueMove H shops at the airport. Both networks offer an 8-day plan for 299 baht.



More information: [AIS TRAVELLER SIM](#)

Shop location: International Arrivals Hall between gat 6 and 7



More information: [ซิมทรูและแพ็คเกจเสริมสำหรับนักท่องเที่ยว - TrueMove H](#)

Shop locations: International Arrivals Hall, Baggage Claim No. 17  
International Arrivals Terminal 2nd Floor, Gate 4  
International Departure Terminal 4th Floor

## Venues

Almost all of the conference activities take place at Avani+ Riverside Bangkok Hotel while accommodation splits between Avani+ and Anantara Riverside Bangkok Resort. The two hotels are interconnected. The Closing Planery and the field trip occurs at the Ancient City, which is about an hour's drive from the hotels.

### Avani+ Riverside Bangkok Hotel

Address: 257 Charoennakorn Road, Thonburi, Bangkok 10600

Tel: +66 (0) 2431 9100

Web: <http://www.avanihotels.com/riverside-bangkok/>

### Anantara Riverside Bangkok Resort

Address: 257/1-3 Charoennakorn Road, Thonburi, Bangkok 10600

Tel: +66 (0) 2476 0022

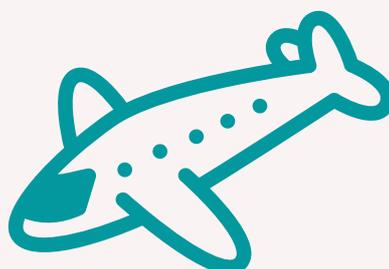
Web: <http://bangkok-riverside.anantara.com/>

### The Ancient City

Address: 296/1 Moo 7, Sukhumvit Road, Bangpoomai, Mueang Samut Prakan, Samut Prakan 10280

Tel: +66 (0) 2026 8800 - 9

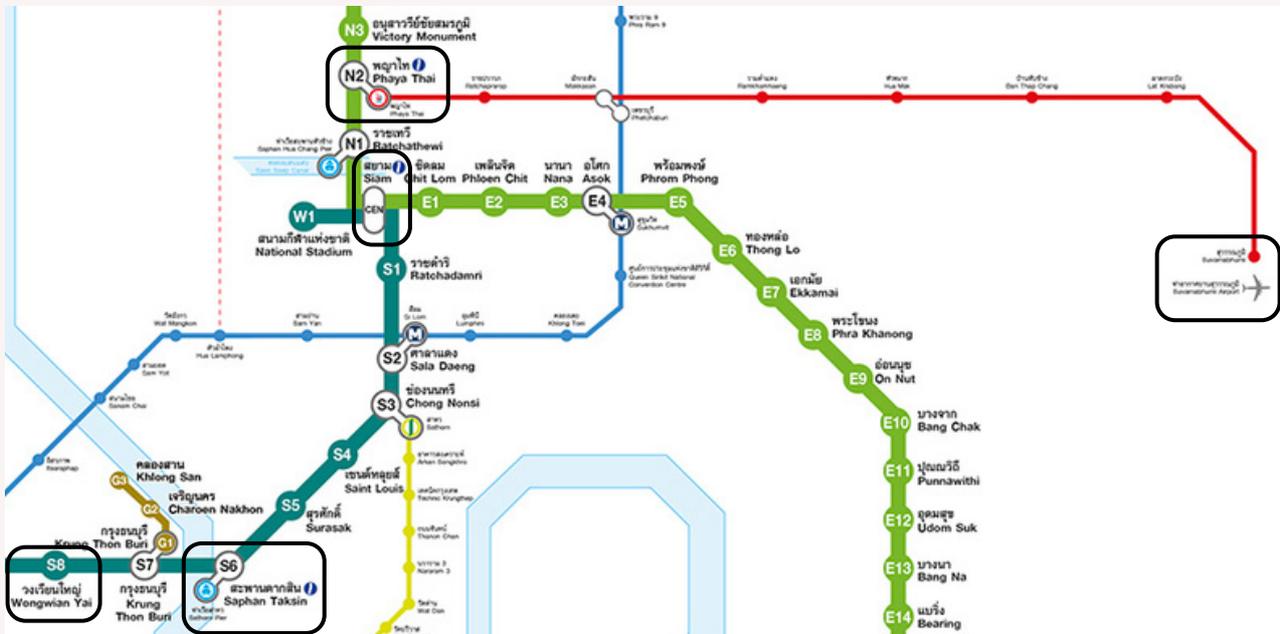
Web: <https://www.muangboranmuseum.com/en/>



## Transport Arrangements

### Airport Link (Skytrain)

There are several ways to travel from the airport to the hotel. The most convenient and low-carbon option is using the Airport Link located on the lower ground floor (two floors below the arrival floor).

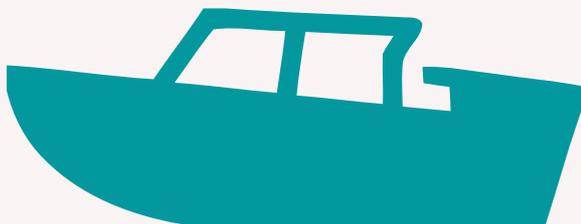


#### 1. Airport Rail Link → BTS Sukhumvit Line → BTS Silom Line → Taxi

The first route you can take starts from getting on the Airport Rail Link from the airport to Phaya Thai station. Then, you change to take BTS Skytrain, Sukhumvit Line (light green line) from Phaya Thai to Siam station. After that, you change again to take BTS Skytrain Silom Line (dark green line) at another platform from Siam to Wongwian Yai station. From there, you can take a short ride on a taxi at the foot of the station to the hotel.

#### 2. Airport Rail Link → BTS Sukhumvit Line → BTS Silom Line → Shuttle boat

The second route is similar to the first one, except after you change to take BTS Skytrain Silom Line (dark green line), you travel from Siam to Saphan Taksin station, instead of Wongwian Yai. Underneath the station, you will find the Sathorn Pier, where the hotel's shuttle boat will take you across the river to the Anantara Pier. Please check the schedule of the shuttle boat below. (This schedule is subject to change. We will promptly notify you if there is any update.)



| Anantara Pier        |
|----------------------|
| 11:00 am (Sat & Sun) |
| 12:00 noon           |
| 1:00 pm              |
| 2:00 pm              |
| 3:00 pm              |
| 4:00 pm              |
| 5:00 pm              |
| 6:00 pm              |
| 7:00 pm              |
| 8:00 pm              |
| 9:00 pm (Fri & Sat)  |
| 10:00 pm (Fri & Sat) |
| 11:00 pm (Fri & Sat) |

## Public Taxi

Public taxis are available on the 1st floor of Suvarnabhumi airport (one floor below the arrival floor). You must get the ticket from the taxi queue machine before proceeding to the lane number printed on your ticket. The approximate fare from the Suvarnabhumi airport to AVANI+ Riverside Bangkok Hotel is 400-600 THB. There is a surcharge of 50 THB on top of the taxi fare from Suvarnabhumi airport. This must be paid to the taxi driver directly.

If you wish to lower the carbon emission, there is an option to take the Electric Taxi. You must get the ticket from the Electric Taxi queue machine, located between Gate 3 and 4, before proceeding to the lane number printed on your ticket. The approximate fare from the Suvarnabhumi airport to AVANI+ Riverside Bangkok Hotel is 850-900 THB, not including toll fees.

More details can be found here: [Bangkok Airport Public Taxi Service - Suvarnabhumi Airport \(bangkokairportonline.com\)](http://bangkokairportonline.com)

## Limousine

If you prefer a more private transport option, you can book a transfer with the organizer team via [snrd-asia@giz.de](mailto:snrd-asia@giz.de) or [tuewas@giz.de](mailto:tuewas@giz.de).

Limousine fare:

Sedan THB 950.-/way/Sedan (maximum 3 Persons)

Van THB 1,300.-/way/Van (maximum 4-8 Persons)



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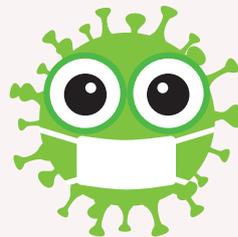
**You're**

**Here**

## Wear Masks?

From the beginning of July 2022, masks are no longer mandatory. However, people are advised to wear a mask when they are in a crowded area or place where there are a lot of people and social distancing is not possible or the air ventilation is poor. Those who are at a high risk of having severe symptoms or death if they get COVID-19 are also advised to wear a mask at all times. The at-risk group includes:

1. People who are 60 years old or above
2. People with chronic respiratory diseases
3. People with cardiovascular diseases
4. People with chronic renal disease
5. People with cerebrovascular diseases
6. People with obesity
7. People with cancer
8. People with diabetes
9. People who are pregnant



To take an extra careful step, we would like to ask all participants to take an [ATK COVID-19 test on Tuesday morning](#) before the start of the Conference. The test kits will be provided for everyone.

Since our event will be held in a closed space that we share among ourselves and also with people in nearby meeting rooms, we recommend you to always wear a mask when you are attending the conference activities.

## Where to Go?

Bangkok is a capital where modern meets traditional. The city is full of old temples and palaces contrasting with new shopping malls and high-rise condominiums. It is most convenient to travel around the city via taxis, buses or the rail system, called BTS and MRT. Apart from [Google Maps](#), to help you navigate around to city, [ViaBus](#) can guide you through buses, the skytrain and the metro. Although taxis can always be picked up from the roadside, having the [Grab](#) application on your phone can make calling or booking a taxi easier and payment can be made by credit cards.

In the free evenings, you may want to explore places near the hotels. There are some spots worth visiting along to river side. Behind the hotels, [Riverside Plaza](#) offers a wide range of quality restaurants and shopping options. Located just opposite the hotels on the other side of the river is [Asiatique](#), an open-air night market with a huge Ferris wheel that offers shopping, dining, sightseeing and recreational activities. A bit up the river, you can find [The Jam Factory](#), and old factory turned mixed-use space with art and craft retailers, gallery space, office space, food and bookstores. Nearby is [ICONSIAM](#), one of the largest shopping malls in Asia. It is full of stores, restaurants and leisure facilities. Taking the mall's free shuttle boat ([ICONSIAM : Getting Here](#)) to Siphaya Pier on the opposite side of the river, you will reach [River City Bangkok](#), a place for arts and antiques lovers. There are plenty of stores and galleries to stroll through. A few steps down the road from there stands [Warehouse 30](#), an industrial-chic art space with vendors, galleries and food. Some warehouses host exhibitions and performances while some have art pieces for sale.

## Where to Eat?

If the choices above still don't convince you or you want to take a full dive into the famous street food culture, Yaowarat night market is the way to go. The whole strip of this street in Bangkok's Chinatown is packed with food vendors. The choices are endless, and you may stumble up on some of the more adventurous snacks. If you are still not sure where you can fill up your stomach, Eatigo application will present you with a variety of restaurant options and allow you to make reservations and even get discounts.

Various cuisines can be found in Bangkok. Here are some recommendations near the hotel:

| Riverside Plaza   | Street Food  |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">MK Restaurant</a> (Chinese hotpot)</li><li>• <a href="#">Sizzler</a> (Steak)</li><li>• <a href="#">Coffee Club</a> (international)</li><li>• <a href="#">Burger King</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Hoshi</a> (Japanese)</li><li>• <a href="#">Benihana</a> (Teppanyaki)</li><li>• <a href="#">Bonchon</a> (Korean)</li><li>• <a href="#">Nai Uan Yentafo</a> (noodles)</li><li>• <a href="#">Basil Thai Kitchen</a></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Jae Ju Noodle</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Tee Restaurant</a> (congee)</li><li>• <a href="#">Charoen Nakhon 21 Kway Chap</a> (offal soup)</li><li>• <a href="#">Samyan Congee at Charoen Nakhon</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Teeded Ayutthaya Boat Noodles</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Nai Soon Charoen Nakhon</a> (braised duck)</li><li>• <a href="#">Somsak Steamed Crab at BTS Krung Thon Buri</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Pho Hotpot</a> (Vietnamese hotpot)</li><li>• <a href="#">Heng Bangrak</a> (rice noodles in gravy)</li></ul> |
| Restaurants   | Dessert  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">King Kong</a> (barbeque buffet)</li><li>• <a href="#">Shibuya Shabu</a> (hotpot buffet)</li><li>• <a href="#">San Yod Pochana</a> (Cantonese)</li><li>• <a href="#">Palate Bar</a> (Thai)</li><li>• <a href="#">N52 Bistro &amp; Bar</a> (international)</li><li>• <a href="#">Sutunthip Vegetarian</a></li></ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Ting Ting</a> (shaved ice)</li></ul>   |

## How to Pay?

The currency used in Thailand is Thai Baht (THB). There are several ways you can make payments here.

### Cash

Cash is still the most popular payment method in the country. So, be sure to carry some cash with you. You can pack some cash from home or you can exchange your money here. Super Rich usually offers quite a competitive rate. It is located on B Floor of Suvarnabhumi Airport near the Airport Rail Link station. You can find more Super Rich locations [here](#). Apart from Super Rich on the basement level, other currency exchange windows at the airport are not recommended as the rates and fees are rather high. Banks are also a convenient option if you are out shopping at a mall since there is usually at least one bank there.

### E-wallet

Digital wallets are becoming more prominent in the recent years. The top digital wallets used in Thailand includes TrueMoney, Rabbit LINE Pay, AirPay, mPay and GrabPay. Some places also accept Alipay and PayPal. However, Apply Pay service is not yet available.

### Cards

The most widely accepted credit cards in Thailand are MasterCard and Visa. American Express is also sometimes accepted. Some restaurants and shops may charge an extra fee when paying with credit cards, so be sure to ask before paying.

## Who to Call? (Emergency Contact Information)

In case of any emergency, please do not hesitate to contact the organising team, who stations at the conference venue and is always ready to assist you: Khaekhai (Ben) via +66 (0) 64 624 1949 (call & WhatsApp). Please find below the emergency contact numbers from the RMO team.

| GIZ Thailand Emergency Numbers  |   | giz   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| GIZ Thailand Emergency Number   | +66 81 7022 955   |   |  |
| German Embassy 24/7   | +66 81 845 6224   |   |  |
| GIZ Office Bangkok  | +66 2 661 9273-80   |   |  |
| Ambulance/Fire/Police   | +66 191   |   |  |
| Tourist Police  | +66 1155  |   |  |
| Bumrungrad Int. Emergency Centre  | +66 2011 522 [Bangkok]                                      |   |  |
| Dr. Sooranonthu @ Bumrungrad (mob)  | +66 81 611 6261   |   |  |
| GIZ Country Office Thailand   |   |   |  |
|  | 193/63 Lake Rajada Office Complex - 16 <sup>th</sup> Floor  |    |  |
|  | New Batchadapisek - Rama 4 Road                             |   |  |
|  | 10110 - Klong Toey - Bangkok                                |   |  |
| GIZ Germany Emergency Numbers   |   | giz   |  |
| GIZ Medical Services 24/7   | +49 61 96 79 79 79  |   |  |
| GIZ Crisis Desk 24/7  | +49 61 96 79 79 78  |   |  |
| COPE Psychological Support 24/7   | +49 61 96 79 79 77  |   |  |
| In case of emergency please contact...  | My Name is:   |   |  |
| Name:   |   |   |  |
| Relation:   |   |   |  |
| Phone:  |   |   |  |
| GIZ Headquarters Germany  |   |   |  |
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# Sustainability

## Checklist

We are fully aware of the environmental impact the our Conference may create. Hence, to minimise that, we made the utmost effort to ensure that the Conference is as sustainable as possible and checked all the points of concern against GIZ's internal sustainability guidelines.

### Meeting Room

- ✓ The meeting room's foyer looks out to the river through large glass windows, which allow a lot of natural light in.
- ✓ The air centre of the hotel keeps the temperature in the room at 25 degrees Celsius.
- ✓ Only digital backdrops are used, which means they appear on the screens, so no waste from print-outs is created.
- ✓ The water served during the conference is all in glass containers.

### Transportation

- ✓ The Hotels have shuttle boat service to ICONSIAM and the BTS.

### Hotel Certification

- ✓ Both hotels received the Green Growth 2050 Certificate, which indicates that the hotels meet the environmental and hotel sustainability standards recognized internationally.

### Accommodation

- ✓ The appliances in the room are energy efficient, such as light bulbs, air conditioners, refrigerators, TVs and so on.
- ✓ Drinking water comes in glass bottles.
- ✓ The bathrooms are equipped with refillable dispensers for shampoo and shower gel and with water saving faucets, toilet bowls and shower heads. The toilet paper has an eco-label.
- ✓ The wardrobes have an automatic lighting system.

### Food and Beverage

- ✓ Food is sourced from local suppliers. Seasonal ingredients and fruits are offered.
- ✓ Vegetarian and/or vegan options are provided.
- ✓ All cutlery, plates and dishes are reusable.
- ✓ Management systems are in place for wastewater, excess food and organic waste



# Digital

# Connection

You can connect with us as well as each other before, during and after the Conference via various channels.

## IDA Page

Here you can find out more about each sector network and connect with other colleagues internally. Visit [SNRD Asia and the Pacific](#) or [TUEWAS](#).

## Website

The websites of both sector networks contain the works of the task forces and the projects, both ongoing and concluded, in all working groups that they would like to showcase. You can check out their web pages to learn more about them. Visit [SNRD Asia and the Pacific](#) or [TUEWAS](#).

## MS Teams Room

A team room dedicated to the Conference has been created and all are invited to join. We intend for this room to be an open space where participants can ask questions regarding the Conference and a place for announcements from the organization teams and the filing of all Conference materials, so everyone can revisit them. Visit [MS Teams Room](#).

## Broadcasting

Online participants can join the broadcasting of the Conference sessions mainly via the Conference MS Teams Room. Please check out the announcement in the MS Teams Room ahead of the session how you can take part.



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# The Ancient City

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On Friday, 23 September, we will take the Conference out of the hotel and to the Ancient City. At 9 am, the buses will leave the hotel. The Closing Plenary will be held in the meeting hall there before the electric trams take everyone on a trip around the Ancient City for a quick look of what the place has on display so that in the afternoon, you have more idea of where you want to spend more time.

The Ancient City (Muang Boran) is the largest open-air museum in the world. It is the replica of the map of Thailand scaled down to fit into an area of a small town, so you can visit the whole country in one place. The 300 acres of land contain all four regions of the country, that is, Northern, Northeastern, Central and Southern. The roads are dotted with remarkable architectures, sculptures and historical sites. The arts and cultures native to each region await to be discovered. With 20 kilometres that can be covered in the museum park, you have a choice of a bicycle, an electric bicycle or a golf cart to go around on while also learning about the landmarks with an audio-guide in various languages.

Please note that only the entrance fee is covered. The fee for the vehicle and audio-guide hire is not included in the package.

You can take a sneak peek at the Ancient City here:

- [Wonders of Thailand Muangboran The Ancient City - YouTube](#)
- [Wonders of Thailand #2 Muangboran The Ancient City, Samutprakan - YouTube](#)

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