

Call for Papers
The 32nd Conference of the Federation of ASEAN Economic Associations (FAEA) 2007
Theme: Politics and Economic Development of ASEAN
7-8 December, 2007
Bangkok, Thailand

The Economic Society of Thailand is hosting the 32nd Annual Conference of the Federation of ASEAN Economic Associations (FAEA) on December 7-8, 2007 at the Montien Riverside Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand.

The conference theme “Politics and Economic Development of ASEAN” reflects what is expected to be the most important structural economic development this century, with profound global and regional implications that are already being felt even today.

It is widely recognized that 1997 was an important year in the history of Asia – we experienced the disastrous economic, social and political consequences. Interestingly, while the issues have changed in the intervening ten years, yet Asia remains no less central to the world economy now than it was then.

Since the end of world War II, visionary leaders in many ASEAN countries have been able to turn crises into opportunities and build the political coalitions needed to take their economic development in new directions. Currently we welcome 2007 with a look back to 1997, particularly focusing on how much things have changed since 1997. The experience of ASEAN’s successful recovery confirms that the political support for economic reform and growth must be addressed constantly.

Though, the idea that any society aspiring to achieve superior and sustained economic growth needs solid political foundations may sound patently obvious. However, fragile political foundations clearly affect the political support available to sustain rapid growth and this allows social and economic dislocations. It is worth noting that not every successful ASEAN country has benefited from all of the pro-growth political conditions in equal measure. The definitions of what constitute sound political foundations may differ. The political foundations have been stronger in some countries than in others. Also, within individual countries, some constituent parts of the foundations have been tougher than others. Therefore, political conditions will have considerable impact on the country’s economic development as well as the region’s future.

Despite the fact that economic development can be explained by various factors that lay behind it, the transformation of the economies and their increasing potential complex politics of development that sets ASEAN in its geographical and socio-cultural context are worthy of careful consideration.

The organizing committee of the 32nd Conference of the FAEA, with the support of all the seven FAEA members, has accordingly selected “Politics and Economic Development of ASEAN” as the theme of the conference. We are currently issuing a call for papers related to this theme.

We would like to cordially invite submission of papers on topics relating to the following issues:

1. An overview of political changes and impacts on economic development of ASEAN
2. Experiences and lessons of political changes and economic policy management of individual countries
3. Politics and economic development strategy of ASEAN: A new paradigm?

Important dates:

30 September 2007	Submission of drafts and abstracts
15 October 2007	Decision on acceptance of papers
26 November 2007	Submission of final draft

Guidelines for contributors:

The cover page of the paper should contain the title, authors' names, affiliations, addresses, telephone numbers, fax numbers, and e-mail addresses.

The abstract and full paper should be written using Microsoft Word Document with font Time New Roman, font size 12 and 1.5 spacing. The second page should repeat the title and include an abstract of not more than 250 words, any keywords of the subject area of the paper.

Footnotes should be numbered consecutively in the text. All headings are to be left-aligned and in bold. All other text must have no special formatting/ style, except for emphasis. Illustrations, figures and tables should be numbered in Arabic numerals, accompanied by titles and sources. Also, a list of references is to be provided at the end of the text.

Kindly submit your papers to the Economic Society of Thailand Secretariat, 32nd FAEA Conference at the following e-mail address:

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