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Programme

12:30-13:30	Registration
13:30-13:45	Welcome Remarks by ERIA, JEF and CSIS <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mr. Izuru Kobayashi, COO (Chief Operating Officer), ERIA;2. Mr. Kazumasa Kusaka, Chairman and CEO, Japan Economic Foundation;3. Dr. Yose Rizal Damuri, Head, Department of Economics, CSIS, Jakarta
13:45-14:00	Keynote Address: The Future of East Asia Integration: East Asia Summit and ASEAN Community Beyond 2015 H. E. Mr. Rizal Affandi Lukman , Deputy Minister of International Economic Cooperation at the Coordinating Ministry of Economic Affairs <p>The East Asia Summit will complete 10 years of existence in November 2015. A decade of regionalism and economic integration is a good time to evaluate the outcomes and also the challenges ahead for this group of 18 countries. The ASEAN has been the driver of East Asia Summit, as also it has been central to all economic regionalism and integration efforts in East Asia. As ASEAN becomes an ASEAN Community in 2015, it is again a sweet coincidence to evaluate ASEAN's contribution to the East Asian integration, and more specifically the economic integration. There is also the overarching concerns of security, environment and human development, as also the quality of development in the region. 2015 is also a landmark year to assess the future concerns of the region and the forces that will influence the integration of East Asia beyond 2015.</p>
14:00-14:05	Photo Session

14:05-15:20	<p>Panel Session 1: A Decade of East Asia Summit and Economic Regionalism: How can we pursue our growth strategy and achieve structural reform?</p> <p>As Asia looks forward to become the driver of the world’s economy, the East Asian regionalism and economic integration has formally completed 10 years in the East Asia Summit and the ASEAN Economic Community has been formed in 2015. But there are challenges ahead for the economic integration. Individual member countries guard their national interests and economic growth is facing headwinds. Whether East Asia can achieve economic growth is dependent upon how each member country can achieve its economic structural reform in order to take full advantage of regional economic integration.</p> <p>Security concerns also remain heightened in the region. How can the East Asia Summit maintain a delicate balancing act between national and regional interests and become a driver of regional integration in the years ahead?</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Naoyuki Haraoka, Executive Managing Director, Japan Economic Foundation</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Amb. Murray McLean AO, Chair, Australia-Japan Foundation, Australia 2. Dr. Zhenyu Wang, Director of China National Committee for Pacific Economic Cooperation, China 3. Dr. Choong-Yong Ahn, Chairman, Korea Commission for Corporate Partnership, Korea 4. Dr. Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, Research and Information System for Developing Countries, India 5. Prof. Simon S C Tay, Chairman, Singapore Institute of International Affairs, Singapore 6. Mr. Daiki Kasugahara, President Director, Jakarta Office, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), Japan
15:20-15:35	<p>Coffee Break</p>
15:35-16:50	<p>Panel Session 2: ASEAN Economic Community as Driver of Regional Integration in East Asia: Challenges and Opportunities</p> <p>The year 2015 is a critical one for the community-building efforts of East Asia. The region plays an increasingly greater role as a growth center of the world and continues to attract global attention, even as the realisation of the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) is on the doorstep. ASEAN has accomplished remarkable achievements as it moves towards being a formal community by the end of this year. The AEC takes center stage in December 2015 amid global concerns of structural economic imbalances and fragile security. How can AEC continue to drive the East Asian integration beyond 2015 and what are the likely challenges?</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Ponciano S. Intal, Jr, Senior Economist, ERIA</p>

	<p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Vo Tri Thanh, Vice President, Central Institute for Economic Management, Vietnam 2. Dr. Somkiat Tangkitvanich, President, Thailand Development Research Institute, Thailand 3. Dr. Josef T Yap, Professorial Lecturer, School of Economics, University of the Philippines 4. Mr Poltak Hotradero, Head of Research Division, Indonesia Stock Exchange, Indonesia 5. Dr. Cho Cho Thein, Professor, Department of Applied Economics, Yangon University of Economics, Myanmar
16:50-17:05	Coffee Break
17:05-18:20	<p>Panel Session 3:</p> <p>Regional Economic Integration: Can the New Economic Institutions like RCEP, TPP and AIIB Deepen the East Asian Economic Integration?</p> <p>New regional engagements, which emphasizes deeper economic integration among countries of East Asia, and have a greater focus on building a more integrated region, are taking place. The Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) will significantly influence economic developments in the East Asia region. With TPP and RCEP negotiations scheduled to conclude soon, how can we realise the potential and opportunities of these mega-regionals? How can AIIB be an instrument of sustainable and inclusive growth in the region?</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Yose Rizal Damuri, Head, Department of Economics, CSIS, Jakarta</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Mignonne Man-Jung Chan, Founder & CEO, Out of the Box Consultancy, Chinese Taipei 2. Dr. Shankaran Nambiar, Senior Research Fellow, Malaysian Institute of Economic Research, Malaysia 3. Prof. Shujiro Urata, Professor of Economics, Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies, Waseda University, Japan 4. Prof. Gary Hawke, Emeritus Professor, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand 5. Dr. Shiro Armstrong, Co-Director, Australia Japan Research Center, Australian National University, Australia
18:20-18:30	<p>Closing Remarks by ERIA</p> <p>Ms. Anita Prakash, Director General for Policy Relations, ERIA</p>