



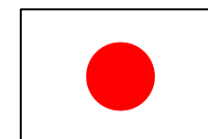
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# **AICHR and Japan**

## **- Beyond the 50<sup>th</sup> Year of Friendship and Cooperation -**

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Interface Meeting between  
ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on  
Human Rights (AICHR) and Japan  
ASEAN Secretariat Headquarters, Jakarta  
8 November 2023



# 1. What have AICHR and Japan achieved?

2013 ASEAN-Japan 40<sup>th</sup> Year Commemorative Summit

*\*Implementation Plan: “Collaborate on human rights and support the work of AICHR”*

2014 AICHR representatives’ study visit to Japan

2015 **1<sup>st</sup> AICHR-Japan Interface Meeting** in Jakarta on 8 May

*\*Identified three priority areas of cooperation*

- Rights of persons with Disabilities
- Empowerment of women
- Fight against trafficking in persons

2015-2019 9 projects were implemented with JAIF Support

2018 Adoption of the “**ASEAN Enabling Master Plan 2025:**  
Mainstreaming the Rights of Persons with Disabilities  
at the **33<sup>rd</sup> ASEAN Summit**”



**ASEAN**  
Enabling  
Masterplan  
2025



## 2. What are AICHR-Japan projects till today?

Project and Lead country	Actual Cost	Implemented
1. AICHR Regional Dialogue on the Mainstreaming of the <u>Rights of Persons with Disabilities</u> in ASEAN (Thailand)	USD 169,934.75	Dec 2015
2. AICHR Workshop on Effective Communication Strategies <u>to Combat Trafficking in Persons</u> (Vietnam)	USD 81,404.00	Aug 2016
3. 2nd AICHR Regional Dialogue on the Mainstreaming of the <u>Rights of Persons with Disabilities</u> in the ASEAN Community (Thailand)	USD 178,182.00	July 2016
4. The AICHR Training Programme on <u>the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</u> (Thailand)	USD 89,293.50	Oct 2016
5. Task Force on the Mainstreaming of <u>the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</u> (Thailand)	USD 147,829.00	Oct 2018
6. 3rd AICHR Regional Dialogue on the Mainstreaming of <u>the Rights of Persons with Disabilities</u> in the ASEAN Community (Thailand)	USD 149,578.00	Jun 2017
7. 2018 AICHR Regional Dialogue (Accessibility through Universal Design)(Thailand)	USD 103,942.30	Feb 2019
8. 2019 AICHR Regional Dialogue (Gender Perspectives on Disability Rights)(Thailand)	USD 136,920.00	Dec 2019
9. AICHR Workshop on Promoting Gender Equality and <u>Empowerment of Women</u> through ICTs towards Achieving the UN 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development Goals (Vietnam)	USD 79,079.00	Nov 2019

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**AICHR Regional Dialogue on the Mainstreaming of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in ASEAN**



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**2nd AICHR Regional Dialogue on the Mainstreaming of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the ASEAN Community**

## 2. What are AICHR-Japan projects till today?



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**3rd AICHR Regional Dialogue on the Mainstreaming of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the ASEAN Community**



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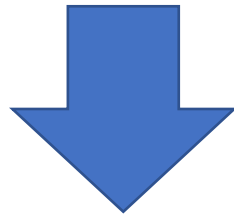
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**The AICHR Training Programme on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**

### 3. What next?

2023.11    2<sup>nd</sup> AICHR-Japan Interface Meeting in Jakarta on 8 November

2023.12    ASEAN-Japan 50<sup>th</sup> Year Commemorative Summit



2024-    **Convene AICHR-Japan Interface Meetings**

*\* Make it a regular event!*



# Importance of the 50th year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation

## New Plan for a “Free and Open Indo-Pacific” (FOIP)

- ◆ On March 20, PM Kishida delivered a policy speech entitled “**Japan’s New Plan for a Free and Open Indo-Pacific(FOIP)**” which launches 4 pillars of cooperation for FOIP, ①**Principals for Peace and Rules for Prosperity**, ② Addressing Challenges in an Indo-Pacific Way, ③Multi-layered Connectivity, ④Extending Efforts for Security and Safe Use of the “Sea to the Air”.
- ◆ PM Kishida mentioned for the first time **ASEAN is a one of the most important region** and expressed that Japan will make a new contribution of **100 million US dollars to Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund**.

## The ASEAN-Japan Commemorative Summit for the 50<sup>th</sup> Year of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and cooperation

- ◆ Japan will host in Tokyo **December 16-18<sup>th</sup>** 2023.
- ◆ ASEAN and Japan leaders reaffirmed their commitment to work together towards **the enhancement of the Strategic partnership across all sectors including human rights** in the coming years.



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