

Join the Southeast Asia Fire Management Mechanism (SEA-FiMM)



Why SEA-FiMM?

Southeast Asia faces escalating threats from wildfires and haze, causing severe environmental, social and economic impacts. Most fires are started by human activities, such as land clearing for agriculture, and climate change is making fire seasons longer and more intense. These fires release significant greenhouse gases, degrade air quality, compromise public health, damage ecosystems and disrupt livelihoods. Indigenous Peoples and local communities are especially vulnerable, often bearing the brunt of these environmental and health impacts.

To address these urgent challenges, APFNet and RECOFTC have jointly established the Southeast Asia Fire Management Mechanism (SEA-FiMM) to strengthen regional cooperation, enhance fire management capacity and promote effective, inclusive solutions.

Our vision

A Southeast Asia where integrated fire management strategies protect people, ecosystems and the climate, through collaboration, innovation and shared commitment.

Our mission

We strengthen fire management across Southeast Asia by promoting policy dialogue and information exchange, building capacity at all levels and demonstrating best practices, especially in cross-border and community-based fire management.

Objectives

- Create a platform for exchanging information and best practices, particularly highlighting Indigenous and community-based fire management approaches.
- Support local communities, policymakers, practitioners and researchers to strengthen their fire management skills.
- Collaborate on strategies to expand effective wildfire prevention and response, supporting community-led efforts.
- Connect organizations and stakeholders for long-term engagement, investment and collaboration.

- Align fire management with national and regional climate initiatives, including the ASEAN Haze-Free Framework and Nationally Determined Contributions.
- Bring together diverse partners for ongoing dialogue and joint action.

What we do

- Host regional dialogues, meetings, workshops and knowledge exchanges to share challenges, solutions and best practices in fire management.
- Deliver tailored training programmes to build skills and enhance knowledge among stakeholders at all levels.
- Implement demonstration projects that combine traditional knowledge and modern technologies to improve fire management practices.

Who we work with

- Indigenous Peoples and local community groups
- Government agencies and policymakers
- Regional networks and associations
- NGOs and civil society organizations
- Private sector partners
- Academic and research institutions
- Donors and foundations

If your organization is committed to advancing fire management and supporting communities and ecosystems in Southeast Asia, we encourage you to join SEA-FiMM.

Connect with peers, share knowledge and contribute to regional solutions.

To learn more or to discuss how your organization can get involved, please get in touch with cbfim@recoftc.org or directly reach out to:

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