



# Module 2: High Officials Country Case studies

## ***Forum 2 : Promoting Harmonization and Mobility in Higher Education Focusing on Health Professions in SEA***

10-12 May 2016  
Amari Watergate Hotel  
Bangkok, Thailand

# **Mechanics of the Forum/Preliminaries**

# Background



- Module 2: *High Officials* Country Case Studies

*Promoting Harmonization and Mobility in Higher Education Focusing on Health Professions in Southeast Asia*

## Forum...

- ❑ focuses on higher education, and builds on the ASEAN International Mobility for Students (AIMS) of SEAMEO RIHED
- ❑ anchored on the results of the Strategic Dialogue of Education Ministers (SEAMEO College Module1) –*Harmonization in higher education and research as one of the seven priority areas for the Post 2015 Education Agenda*



# Forum...

- launches an exploration of harmonization in higher education with particular focus on health professions: ***medicine, nursing and dentistry***
- these three health professions are included in the **ASEAN MRA**
- expand the study fields of AIMS, and at the same time strengthen professional preparation and development for the three health professions in support of the ASEAN MRA



# Module 2 Forum 1

- ❑ Organized 11-13 March 2015 At Amari Watergate Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand
- ❑ TROPMED Network; RIHED; SEAMES



# Participants/Consultant/Facilitators

- ❖ 3 members of country teams:
  - Higher education official
  - Medical and Nursing Regulatory Boards;
  - Medical and Nursing educational institutions
- ❖ MEXT
- ❖ Tuning Academy
- ❖ One Consultant



# Next Steps

- Development of a Regional Database for Higher Education, Medical, and Nursing professional education
- Undertake a Comparative Study of Higher Education, Medical and Nursing Professional Education in SEA countries
- Organization of a Regional and National Task Force on Higher Education, Medical and Nursing professions.



## **Module 2: Forum 2 : Objectives**

- To discuss the current efforts undertaken towards harmonization of medical and nursing professions within the country and within SEA;
- Identify the challenges on harmonization efforts in relation to qualifications standardization/framework, credit transfer system and student mobility;
- Analyse cross-sectoral policies that influence harmonization within the countries and within the region;
- Recommend approaches and policy directions to enhance harmonization in medical and nursing professions within the countries and within the SEA region.

# Mechanics

- Plenary sessions



- ❖ Higher Education Harmonization and Mobility efforts:
  - RIHED; ASEAN
- ❖ Presentation of Initial Result of the Study
  - Medical ; Nursing
- ❖ Country Presentations
- ❖ Presentation of small group outputs
- ❖ Agreement on next steps

# Small Group Discussions

1<sup>st</sup>

- Issues and barriers for harmonization
- Suggested national and regional actions to overcome barriers and resolve issues

2<sup>nd</sup>

- Prioritization of Suggested Actions for Harmonization
- Identification of areas for potential regional cooperation
- Policy recommendations to be brought to the HOM and SEAMEC

