



Jiangsu-Southeast Asia High School Networking Programme

5-9 November 2016, Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, PR China

Concept Note

I. Background

To promote the education cooperation between Jiangsu province and Southeast Asia under the One Belt One Road policy, Jiangsu Provincial Department of Education (JPDE), will organise the Jiangsu High School Networking Programme for Southeast Asia. It will be hosted by the Jiangsu Education Services for International Exchanges (JESIE) and the Wuxi Education Bureau.

Coordinated by SEAMEO Secretariat, the Jiangsu High School Networking Programme for Southeast Asia plans to invite 50 principals and 100 students from 50 upper secondary schools in Southeast Asia, which have high interest in cooperation with Jiangsu schools and have a long-term cooperation strategy with schools in Jiangsu Province, PR China. Each school will be able to send 1 principal and 2 students to participate the programme.

II. Objectives

The Jiangsu High School Networking programme for Southeast Asia aims to

- a. provide a chance for networking development between upper secondary level schools in Southeast Asia and Jiangsu Province, PR China.
- b. provide a chance for the participants from Southeast Asia to visit and learn about education provision and services in Jiangsu Province.

III. Participants

The participants will be 50 upper secondary schools from Southeast Asia and about 58 upper secondary schools from Jiangsu Province. Each school from Southeast Asia will be represented by 1 principal and 2 students.

IV. Time and Venue

The programme will be arranged from 5 to 9 November 2016 in Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, PR China.

V. Eligibility

The eligible school must

- provide Grade 10-12 level of education or equivalent.
- be interested in having collaboration with schools in Jiangsu Province.
- have a programme that promote student exchange overseas. It is preferable if the school has an experience in sending students to pursue further education in PR China.

The eligible principal must

- be a citizen of Southeast Asian;
- be proficient in English;
- work in the eligible school;
- have interest in sending students to pursue further education in Jiangsu Province, PR China; and
- be in good health and able to travel to Jiangsu during 5-9 November 2016.

The eligible students must

- be a citizen of Southeast Asian;
- be proficient in English;
- Year 12 in the eligible school;
- have interest in pursuing further education in PR China;
- be matured and self-reliant, and if under the age of majority, have permission from both parents/legal guardian to participate the programme; and
- be in good health and able to travel to Jiangsu during 5-9 November 2016.

VI. Budget

The host will cover and arrange return air tickets, accommodation, meals, and airport transfer while in Jiangsu for the participants. **The air tickets will be purchased by the host** and send to the participants subsequently.

The participants will be responsible for travel insurance, visa, and other related expenses.

VII. Activities

The programme comprises of two activities.

a. Principal Dialogue

Participants of this activity includes 50 upper secondary school principals from Southeast Asia and about 58 principals from Jiangsu Province. The activity will be under the theme "Inter-school collaboration under the One Belt One Road (OBOR) proposal". The tentative programme for the principal dialogue is as follows.

- 5 Nov Arriving in Shanghai in the morning, depart for Wuxi
- 6 Nov Visit schools in Wuxi in divided groups
- 7 Nov Opening Ceremony in the morning (key note speech), group discussion in the afternoon
- 8 Nov Communication, speeches and the Closing Ceremony in the morning (MOU signing ceremony)
- 9 Nov Guest principals' departure

b. The Jiangsu Tour for Youth Envoys from Southeast Asia

Participants of this activity include 100 students (Grade 12 with English Communication Proficiency). The tentative programme is as follows.

- 5 Nov *Arriving in Shanghai and go to the School Camp*
- 6 Nov *Chinese language and cultural classes, interact with Chinese students*
- 7 Nov *Attend the Opening Ceremony of the Principal Dialogue*
- 8 Nov *Culture visit*
- 9 Nov *Departure of the participants*

VIII. Report

All participants from Southeast Asia will write mission reports and submit them to SEAMEO Secretariat by November 2016.

The schools in Jiangsu will report to JPDE and JPDE will send the report to SEAMEO Secretariat by December 2016 to present at the SEAMEO meetings.

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