

**The 5th Mekong Dialogue: Stakeholder Engagement and Governance:
Lessons from the 2024 Flood and Beyond
26-27 February 2025**

Venue: Mae Fah Luang University, Chiang Rai – Thailand and via online platform

Program

Day 0 Arrival of Participants
Welcome Dinner

Day 1

Morning Session [Thai/English]

08.30 – 09.15 Registration
09.15 – 09.30 Welcome and Opening Remarks
 Dr. Thanikun Chantra, Dean of the School of Social Innovation, Mae
Fah Luang University, Thailand
 Assoc. Prof. Dr. Darunee Wattanasiriwech, Vice President, MFU
 Ms. Mayumi Murayama, Executive Vice President, the Institute of
Developing Economies - Japan External Trade Organization (IDE-JETRO)
09.30 – 09.40 Photo Session
09.40 – 10.20 Keynote Speech on “National-Local Synergy in Flood Management:
Lessons from the 2024 Flood Response in Northern Thailand”
by Mr. Sitthisak Yinjaikham, Deputy Chief of Mae-Sai District

10.20 - 10.40 Short Break
10.40 – 12.15 The plenary session I: Review of recent flash floods in Thailand
 - Mr. Niwat Roikaew: Chairperson of Chiang Khong Conservation
Group
 - Mr. Somkiat Khuanchiangsa: President of Living River Siam
Association
 - Mr. Kanchit Comphudaeng, Representative from Department of
Disaster Prevention and Management (DDPM), Chiang Rai
 - Ajarn Dr. Suebsakun Kidnukorn (MFU)

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch

Afternoon Session [English]

13.15 – 14.30 The plenary session II: Review of recent flash floods and disaster in
riparian countries (Part I)
 - "Changes in the flood patterns in urban Phnom Penh: A Risk
Assessment and Coping Strategy," Dr. Chheng Kimlong, Asian
Vision Institute, Cambodia

- “Lessons learnt from the flood in 2024 in the Mekong subregion,” Mr. Daovone Phonemanichane and Mr. Douk Daro, Oxfam, Laos /Cambodia
- “Mapping the impacts of citizen science in Lower Mekong Subregion,” Dr. Nguyen Minh Quang and Ms. Truong Thao Anh, Can Tho University / Mekong Environment Forum, Vietnam
- “Rebuilding Communities and Restoring Livelihoods: Haihui’s Approach Post-Wenchuan Earthquake and Pingjiang Flood,” Mr. Taiyong Chen, Haihui International, China

Moderator

- Prof. Dr. Lee Lai To (MFU) and Ms. Naomi Hatsukano (IDE-JETRO)

14.30 – 14.45	Short Break
14.45 – 15.45	The plenary session II: Review of recent flash floods and disaster in riparian countries (Part II continued)
15.45-16.00	Conclusion of Day 1 Activity
18.00-20.00	Dinner

Day 2

Morning Session [English]

08.30 – 09.00	Registration
09.00 – 10.35	The plenary session III: International Experiences on resources / Disaster Management (Part I) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “LMC’s Policy and Activities in Disaster Management in the Lancang-Mekong River Basin,” Dr. Zhifei Li, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (Online) - “Development comes first; flood control comes later: Does It Work?” Dr. Kenji Nagata, JICA - “Leveraging Earth Observation and Spatial Technology for Flood Risk Monitoring and Reduction” Mr. Khaled Mashfiq, Regional Liaison Officer for Asia and the Pacific Disaster Risk Management and Climate Resilience Section, United Nations Satellite Centre (UNOSAT) - “Framing the flood health and food security risk and management”, Mr. Shreeahri Acharya, Project Manager, CSO Platform - International Experiences on Disaster Management in Southeast Asia, Mr. James Borton, Johns Hopkins University / SAIS Foreign Policy Institute

Moderator

- Dr. Kenji Otsuka (IDE-JETRO) and Ms. Maki Aoki (IDE-JETRO)

10.35-10.55	Short Break
10.55-11.45	The plenary session III: International Experiences on resources / disaster management (Part II continued)
11:45-12:05	Wrap up two days of discussion Closing Remark <i>Prof. Dr. Siriporn Wajjwalku (Thammasat University)</i>
12.05 – 13.00	Lunch

Afternoon Session [English]

13.00 – 14.30	<p>Wrap up for future research Research Proposal by the MFU team 2. Possibility of joint research project</p> <p>Moderator: Prof. Dr. Siriporn Wajjwalku and Dr. Kenji Otsuka</p> <p>Participants: Mr. Daovone Phonemanichane, Mr. Douk Daro, Dr. Nguyen Minh Quang, Ms. Truong Thao Anh, Mr. Khaled Mashfiq, Mr. Shreeahri Acharya, MFU team, and IDE team.</p>
14:45-15:20	<p>Organizing team meeting</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proceedings 2. Policy Recommendation 3. Co-research and source of funding