

# What benefits are there and what is on the cards for further cooperation in the resolution of actual competition cases in ASEAN?

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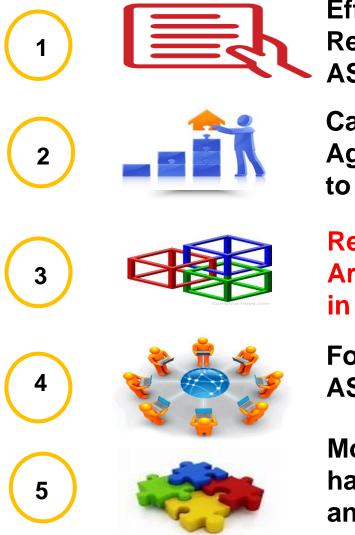
#### NATIONAL COMPETITION DAY

**4 OCTOBER 2019** 

GRAND BALLROOM, CENTRA BY CENTARA GOVERNMENT COMPLEX HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTRE,

CHAENG WATTANA, BANGKOK, THAILAND

## **5 STRATEGIC GOALS OF THE ACAP 2025**



Effective ASEAN Competition Regimes are established in all ASEAN Member States

Capacities of Competition-Related Agencies in AMS are Strengthened to Effectively Implement CPL

Regional Cooperation Arrangements on CPL Matters Are in Place

Fostering a Competition-Aware ASEAN Region

Moving towards greater harmonization of competition policy and law in ASEAN

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#### GOAL 3 - REGIONAL COOPERATION ARRANGEMENTS

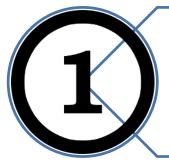
**Framework of Cooperation** 

**Regional Cooperation Agreement** 

**Regional Enforcement Mechanism** 

**Strengthening the AEGC** 

#### **STRATEGIC GOAL 3 : Regional Cooperation arrangements on CPL are in place.**



**INITIATIVE 3.1 :** Establish a Regional Cooperation Agreement on CPL

• Status: on-going



**OUTCOME 3.1.1 :** Identify common elements, guidelines or principles of a regional cooperation agreement on CPL Enforcement for ASEAN by 2018

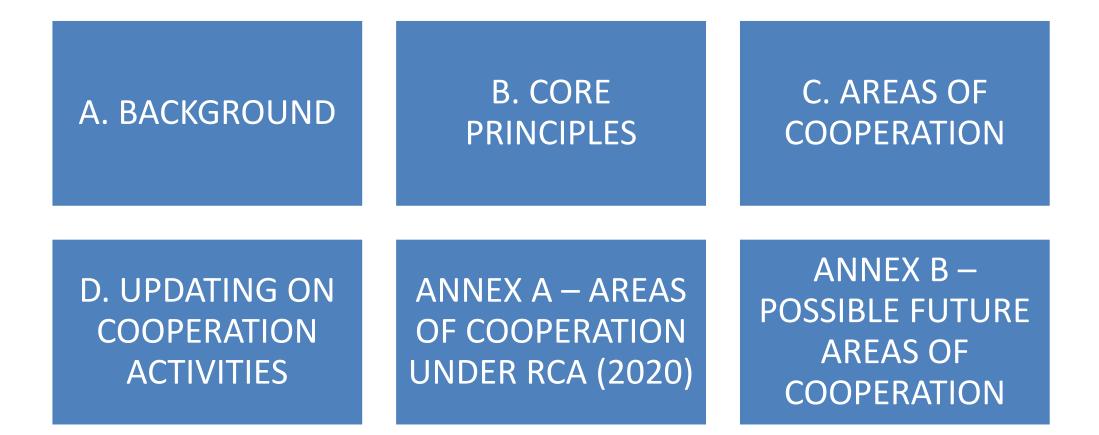
- Lead: PH
- Status: Completed



**OUTCOME 3.1.2**: The regional cooperation agreement endorsed by all AMSs by 2020 (pending the outcomes of the RCEP)

• Status: BRAINSTORMING

#### OVERVIEW OF ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK ON COMPETITION



#### ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK ON COMPETITION A. BACKGROUND

#### WHY REGIONAL COOPERATION?:

(I) REGIONAL ISSUES: MERGERS, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, CAPACITY BUILDING;
(II) INCREASE IN INTRA ASEAN TRADE; AND
(III) BUSINESS CONSTANT OUTCOME

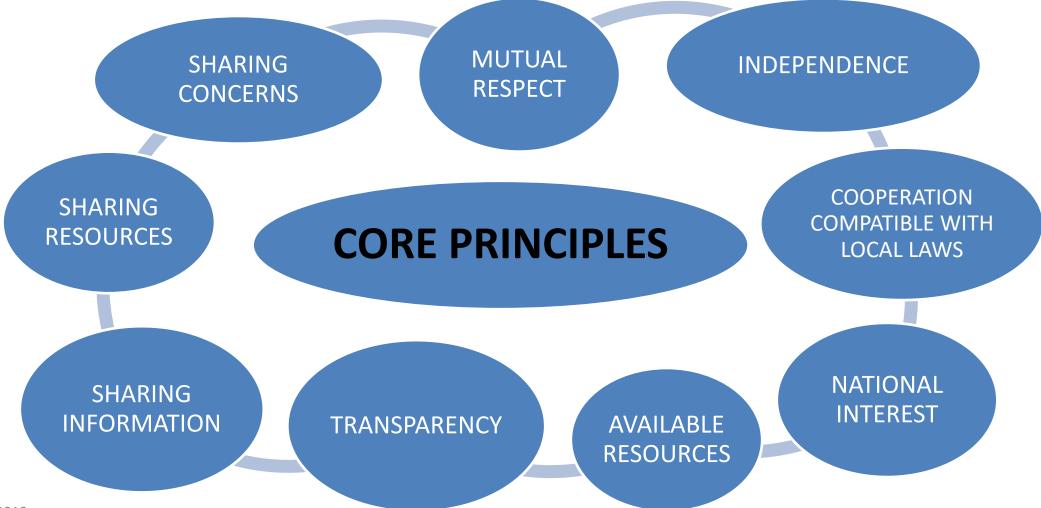
1. **PURPOSE**: BILATERAL, MULTILATERAL, SUB REGIONAL OR REGIONAL COOPERATION

**VOLUNTARY BASIS** 

#### 2. OBJECTIVES

TRUST & RESPECT, CONVERGENCE, ENCHANCED CAPACITY ASSISTANCE, SHARED CAPACITY, FASTER TURNAROUND, MARKET INTEGRATION

#### ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK ON COMPETITION B. CORE PRINCIPLES

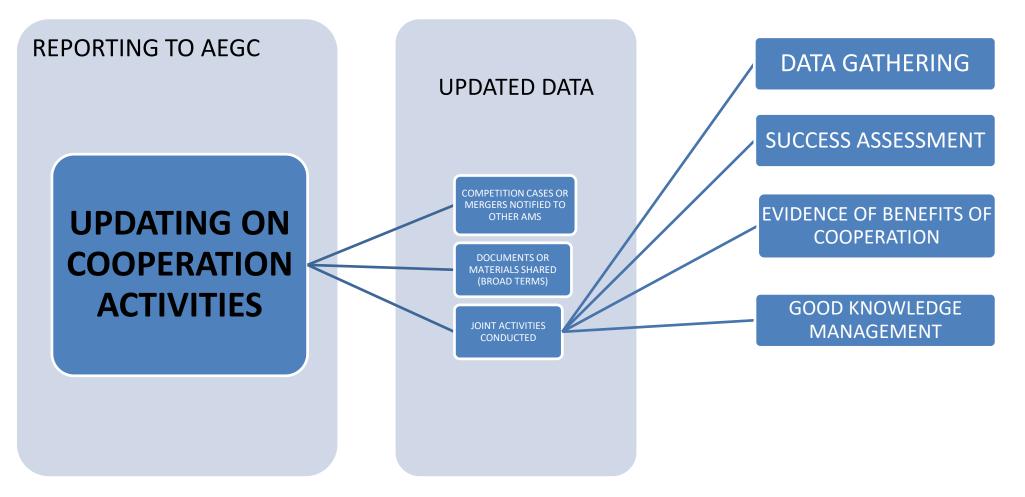


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#### ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK ON COMPETITION C.AREAS OF COOPERATION



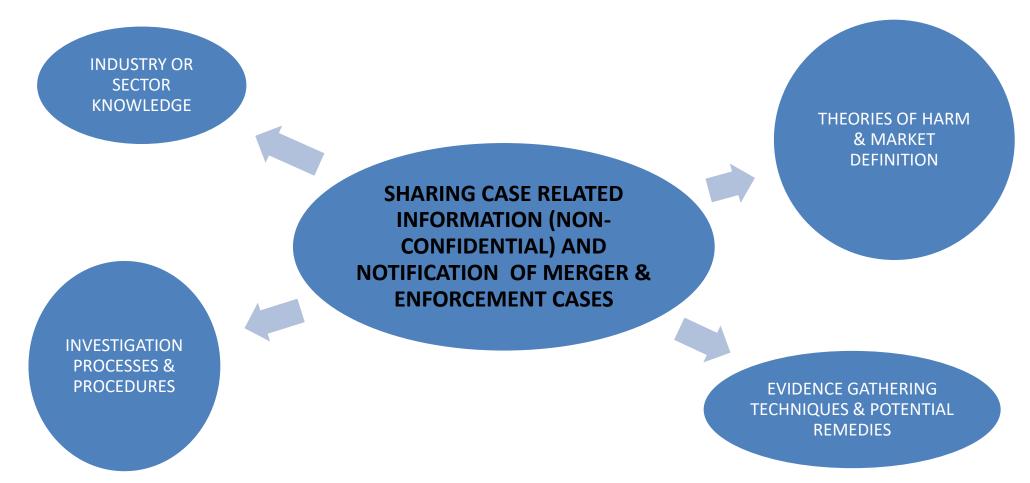
## ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK ON COMPETITION D. UPDATING ON COOPERATION ACTIVITIES



AREAS OF COOPERATION UNDER RCA (2020) (1/5)

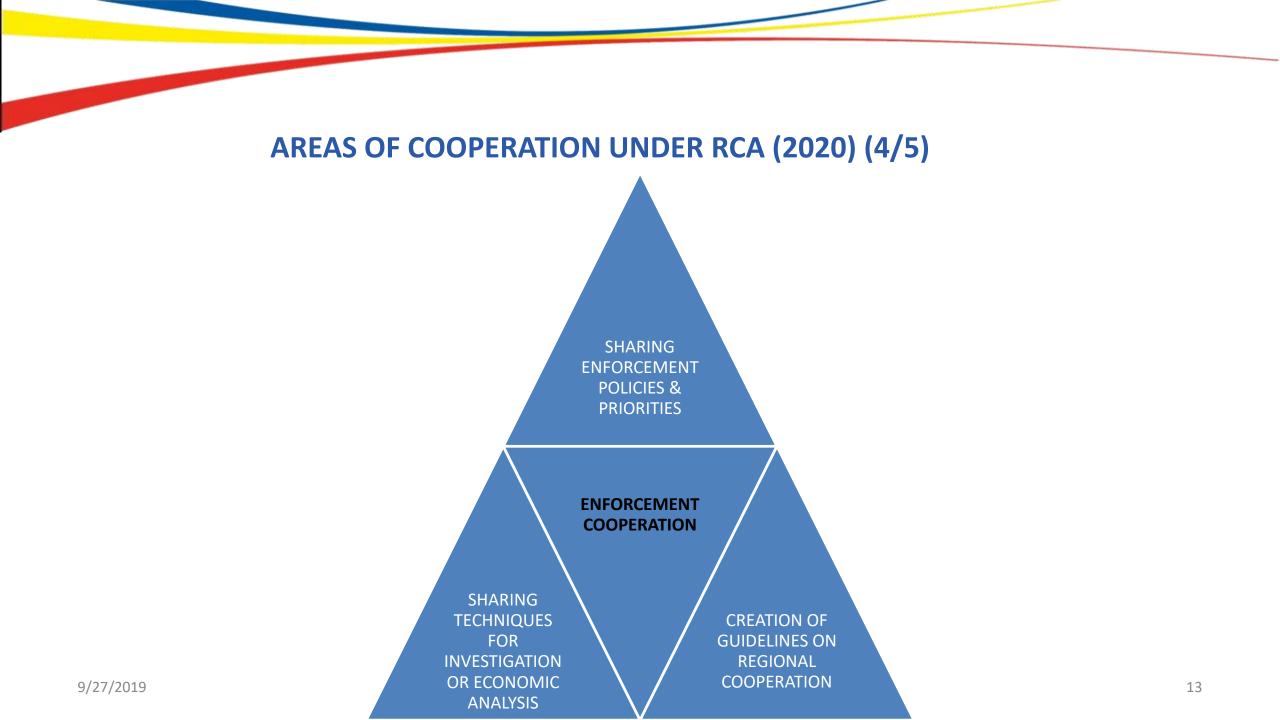




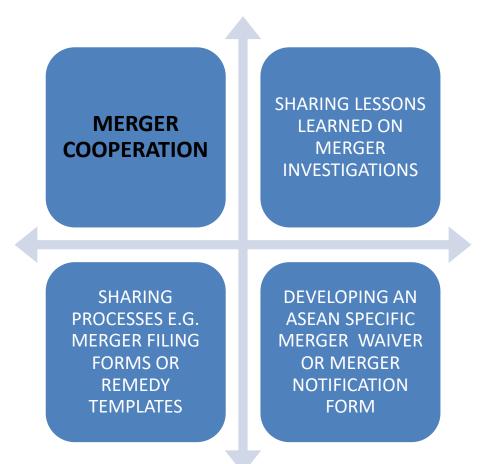


#### AREAS OF COOPERATION UNDER RCA (2020) (3/5)





#### **AREAS OF COOPERATION UNDER RCA (5/5)**



#### **POSSIBLE FUTURE AREAS OF COOPERATION**

## **SHARING CASE RELATED INFORMATION (INVESTIGATION):** EVIDENCE, STRATEGIES, WITNESS EVALUATIONS, LEADS

# **ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION :**

SHARING INVESTIGATION INFORMATON & EVIDENCE

COORDINATING INVESTIGATION & ASSISTING OTHER AMS WITH INVESTIGATIONS

# MERGER COOPERATION

SHARING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND EVIDENCE FOR MERGER INVESTIGATIONS

COORDINATING MERGER INVESTIGATIONS INCLUDING REMEDIES

## OVERVIEW OF ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION FRAMEWORK ON COMPETITION WHICH THE ASEAN REGIONAL COOPEARTION FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT WILL BE BASED

 A. BACKGROUND. Regional issues : mergers, technical assistance, capacity building; and increase in intra asean trade, market integration; business needs consistent outcomes. <u>1. Purpose:</u> voluntary basis, bilateral, multilateral, sub regional or regional;
<u>2. Objectives:</u> trust & respect, convergence, enhanced capacity, assistance, shared capacity, fast turnaround, market integration

**B. CORE PRINCIPLES.** Mutual respect, independence, cooperation compatible with local laws, national interest, available resources. Transparency, sharing information, resources, ideas & concerns mutually beneficial.

#### C. AREAS OF COOPERATION: i. Sharing

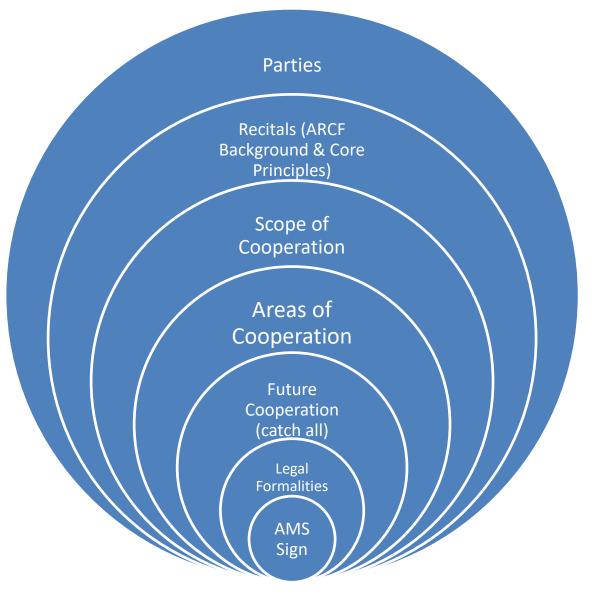
general agency information; ii. Sharing case-related information; iii. Technical assistance & capacity building; iv. enforcement cooperation & v. merger cooperation.

#### **D. UPDATING ON COOPERATION**

ACTIVITIES: regular reporting to AEGC on i. competition cases or mergers notified to other AMS; ii. Documents or materials shared (broad terms); and iii. Joint activities conducted. <u>Purpose</u>: data gathering, success assessment, evidence of benefits of cooperation, good knowledge management.

ANNEX A: Areas of Cooperation under RCA (2020); ANNEX B: Possible future areas of cooperation

#### FORMAT OF ASEAN REGIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT







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