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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN LAOS AND THE GREATER MEKONG REGION

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The countries of the Greater Mekong Region have experienced dynamic economic development in the recent years. Vietnam, Cambodia, Myanmar and Laos share several common economic development strategies, such as promotion of the agricultural sector, industrialization with foreign technology, as well as management of exports in the natural resources sector. This economic growth trajectory is accompanied by drastic changes in traditional social structures in both urban and rural areas, and poses urgent challenges to ecological sustainability. At the same time, factors of geopolitics and connectivity with China are also vital issues in the development of the region.

Through four sessions "ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND AGRICULTURE," "EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY AND FOREIGN CAPITAL," "WATER UTILIZATION / TRANSBOUNDARY RIVER MANAGEMENT (GLOBAL COMPARISON)," "ENERGY / ELECTRICITY DEVELOPMENT" AND "GREATER MEKONG DEVELOPMENT AND CHINA" the seminar will examine the history, mechanisms and future challenges of the region's economic development and improvement of life for the people of the region. Lectures and group discussions will be supplemented with field observations in the Vientiane area.

Held in Vientiane in collaboration with the National University of Laos, we will focus our discussions on Laos, while maintaining a regional perspective on the dynamics of economic development challenges faced by the country and its neighbors.