

# Issues to consider when promoting SEA Protocol on global level: Lessons from South East Asia

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# Lessons from South East Asia

- SEA in East and Southeast Asia: A Progress Review and Comparison of Country Systems and Cases (WB, 2009)
- Regional Workshop on SEA in East Asia & Pacific Region (ADB and WBI, 2008)
- Lessons from Danida supported SEAs in Indonesia in 2006-20012 (Danida, 2012)
- SEA studies in Vietnam, Laos, China, Indonesia 2006-2014

# Lessons (1)

- Promote SEA as a set of assessment activities that can be flexibly integrated into planning and decision-making
- SEA should address environmental as well as social and economic concerns of decision-makers and relevant stakeholders
- Promote robust assessment approaches that can process information held by various stakeholders and can operate in face of data gaps

# Lessons (2)

- SEA should consider institutional capacities and arrangements for environmental management and integration
- Strengthen inter-institutional consultations and gradually improve transparency of SEAs for the public
- Promote regional cooperation on SEA matters

# Ideas for consideration

- Espoo Convention: an excellent example of regional cooperation
- Need to demystify its procedural requirements
- Paper showing flexible options for application of SEA Protocol illustrating applicable arrangements from some countries – these can be provided by respective countries, European donors or IFIs