



Deepening engagement with Southeast Asia

The Australian Government has made engagement with Southeast Asia a core priority

Facilitated over 40 visits between Southeast Asia and Australia by senior Ministers, including four by the Australian Prime Minister, since May 2022



Agreed to **upgrade our relationships** with Laos, the Philippines and Vietnam and fully implemented the **ASEAN-Australia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership**

Increased ODA to an estimated \$1.24 billion in 2023-24, in line with the **additional \$470 million in ODA** to Southeast Asia over four years



Expanded the cap on the **Emerging Markets Impact Investment Fund (EMIIF)** to mobilise more private sector finance including in Southeast Asia

Appointed a **Special Envoy for Southeast Asia** and committed to **delivering a Southeast Asia Economic Strategy to 2040** to bolster our economic engagement with the region



Announced a new **Southeast Asia Government-to-Government Partnerships program** to deepen government agencies' relationships in the region

Supported **100 Australia for ASEAN scholars** and committed to hosting a Special Summit to Commemorate the **50th Anniversary of ASEAN-Australia Dialogue Relations** in March 2024



Investing **\$200 million** into an **Australia-Indonesia Climate and Infrastructure Partnership** to support Indonesia's clean energy transition

Offering new **specialised scholarships** complementing the Australia Awards scholarships program, **accessible to Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand**



Designing a **new scholarships program for Southeast Asian partners** to offer more Australian education and training opportunities to the region

Established and continued to expand DFAT's **Office of Southeast Asia**, including to support increased engagement with Timor-Leste



Will double the number of Canberra Fellowships Program visits from the Indo-Pacific, offering around 10 additional visits per year