

The 2nd International Conference on ASEAN Sustainable Development (ICASD 2025)

Theme: *Accelerating Action: Collaborative Solutions for A Sustainable Future*

1. Project Title:

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2. Organizing Unit:

International College, Thaksin University

3. Collaborating Units

- Institute of Research and Innovation
- Graduate School
- Office of International Relations
- Southern Region Business Advisory Association

4. Alignment with Strategic Plans

ICASD 2025 aligns with the strategic plans of Thaksin University and the International College:

Thaksin University Strategic Plan (2023-2027)

- **Strategy 3:** Academic services that disseminate knowledge, technology, and innovation to enhance competitiveness.
- **Strategy 5:** Developing the university to meet international standards while maintaining local identity.

International College Strategic Plan (2021-2025)

- **Strategy 3:** Academic services and knowledge transfer to develop human resources and enhance competitiveness at the national and international levels.
- **Strategy 4:** Developing the university to meet international standards on a local foundation (*University of Glocalization*).

5. Rationale

Thaksin University is a higher education institution with a mission to provide education, conduct research, and offer academic services. With its vision of becoming a leading **Social Innovation University** by 2024, Thaksin University aims to strengthen education, research, social innovation, and technology transfer. Given its classification under **Technology and Innovation Development**, research is a key mission that will drive knowledge creation and inform teaching while benefiting society.

In collaboration with **the Institute of Research and Innovation, the Graduate School, the Office of International Relations, and the Southern Region Business Advisory Association**, the **International**

College aims to organize the **2nd International Conference on ASEAN Sustainable Development (ICASD 2025)** as an academic platform for **knowledge exchange** among scholars, institutions, and partner universities worldwide.

This conference will:

- **Facilitate** the exchange of knowledge and research findings.
- **Strengthen** academic and business networks at both national and international levels.
- **Encourage** faculty, researchers, and students to present their latest findings and engage in academic discussions.
- **Enhance** Thaksin University’s visibility and reputation in the international academic community.

10. Conference Date & Venue

April 24–25, 2025, Phuket, Thailand

11. Timeline

Activity	Timeframe
Internal planning meetings.	June 2024 – July 2024
Venue inspection.	August 2024
Business partner meetings.	September 2024
Conference committee meetings.	October 2024
Call for abstract submissions.	November 2024 – January 2025
Conference execution.	April 24–25, 2025
Project evaluation and financial reporting.	May 2025

12. Conference Format ICASD 2025 will feature:

1. Keynote Lectures
2. Showcase of Outstanding Research
3. Thematic Panel Discussions

13. Conference Themes:

ICASD 2025 aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and is structured around five key dimensions:

(1) Social Dimension (People)

- Poverty Reduction: Addressing extreme poverty.
- Education: Ensuring inclusive access to quality education.
- Healthcare: Improving healthcare access and reducing mortality rates.
- Gender Equality: Promoting equal opportunities for all.

(2) Economic Dimension (Prosperity)

- Economic Growth: Promoting inclusive and sustainable growth.
- Quality Employment: Creating decent jobs and reducing unemployment.
- Industry & Innovation: Supporting industrial development and technological advancement.

(3) Environmental Dimension (Planet)

- Natural Resource Management: Sustainable management of water and land resources.
- Climate Action: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions and adapting to climate change.
- Biodiversity Conservation: Protecting and preserving biodiversity.

(4) Peace and Institutional Dimension (Peace)

- Conflict Resolution: Reducing violence and social conflicts.
- Strong Institutions: Strengthening governance, accountability, and transparency.
- Access to Justice: Ensuring legal protection and human rights.

(5) Partnership Dimension (Partnership)

- International Cooperation: Strengthening global partnerships.
- Public-Private Collaboration: Enhancing cooperation between governments, businesses, and civil society.
- Resource Efficiency: Promoting responsible and efficient resource use.