

**FIFTH JOINT STATEMENT OF  
LAO PDR-THAILAND-MALAYSIA-SINGAPORE POWER INTEGRATION  
PROJECT**

**26 SEPTEMBER 2024**

1 **We**, Minister of Energy and Mines of the Lao PDR, Minister of Energy of the Kingdom of Thailand, Minister of Energy Transition and Water Transformation of Malaysia, and Second Minister for Trade and Industry of the Republic of Singapore, have met on the occasion of the 42<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Ministers on Energy Meeting (AMEM) and its Associated Meetings, hosted by Lao PDR on 26 September 2024;

2 **RECALLING** that the Ministers of Lao PDR, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore had issued four Joint Statements on the occasions of the 38<sup>th</sup> AMEM on 19 November 2020, 39<sup>th</sup> AMEM on 15 September 2021, 40<sup>th</sup> AMEM on 15 September 2022, and 41<sup>st</sup> AMEM on 24 August 2023 to affirm our commitment to advancing multilateral cross-border power trade in ASEAN;

3 **RECALLING WITH GREAT SATISFACTION** the successful commencement of the Lao PDR-Thailand-Malaysia-Singapore Power Integration Project (LTMS-PIP) on 23 June 2022, which established multilateral cross-border power trade of up to 100MW from Lao PDR to Singapore via Thailand and Malaysia using existing interconnections for a two-year period, marking a historic milestone as the first multilateral cross-border electricity trade involving four ASEAN countries;

4 **RECALLING ALSO** that the Ministers of Lao PDR, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore had welcomed further discussions on the enhancements to the LTMS-PIP for advanced multidirectional power trade on the occasion of the 41<sup>st</sup> AMEM on 24 August 2023;

**DO HEREBY:**

5 **ACKNOWLEDGE** the resounding success of the LTMS-PIP which demonstrates the feasibility of multilateral cross-border power trade in enhancing energy security;

6 **REAFFIRM** our commitment to continuing and advancing multilateral and multidirectional cross-border power trade in ASEAN following the success of the LTMS-PIP;

7 **CONGRATULATE** the implementation of multidirectional power trade with the inaugural LTMS-PIP flow from Malaysia to Singapore, reaffirming the project's role in realising the ASEAN Power Grid vision;

8 **COMMEND** the continuing efforts of the LTMS-PIP Working Group, Taskforces and all stakeholders to monitor the technical, commercial, legal and regulatory aspects of cross-border power trade to ensure effective implementation of the LTMS-PIP;

9 **RECOGNISE** the shared benefits of cross border power trade to all parties by accelerating ASEAN's energy transition through investments in renewable energy projects, unlocking the region's abundant renewable potential and enhancing each country's energy security, and the LTMS-PIP's importance in contributing to the ASEAN Power Grid vision;

10 **REAFFIRM** our commitment to develop the ASEAN Power Grid for the collective benefit of the region, including continuing and advancing multilateral cross-border power trade in ASEAN following the success of the LTMS-PIP, as well as facilitating discussions on the development and passage of cross-border electricity interconnectors which will form the backbone of the ASEAN Power Grid;

11 **LEVERAGE** the support of ASEAN Ministers on Energy for the LTMS-PIP as a pathfinder to complement existing efforts towards realising the ASEAN Power Grid and the ASEAN Economic Community by creating opportunities for multilateral and multidirectional electricity trading in the region, to strengthen grid resilience and promote energy integration to meet the rising electricity demand in the region.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024