

## ASEAN Biosafety Network Meeting

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Nonthaburi, Thailand

Biosafety and Biosecurity are global concerns and these issues have been stated in both the WHO International Health Regulations and the Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA).

Canada is a lead country under the GHSA Prevent-3 Biosafety and Biosecurity and Thailand is a lead country for Detect-1 National Laboratory System, which also includes providing support for biosafety. The Global Partnership Program has granted the Biosafety Engineering and Control for Health Laboratories in ASEAN project to the Department of Medical Sciences, Ministry of Public Health of Thailand.

This promotes not only the long-term collaboration between Thailand and Canada in working together towards GHSA goals, but also serves to directly target the development of biosafety and biosecurity in the ASEAN region.

The following activities will be conducted and Thailand requests the participation from ASEAN member states:

1. ASEAN biosafety network establishment
2. Workshop on "Introduction course for Biological Safety Cabinet technology" for ASEAN member states
3. Workshop on "An intermediate course on Biological Safety Cabinet Certification" for ASEAN member states