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ASEAN ENERGY OFFICIALS STRENGTHEN REGIONAL COOPERATION AND CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION AHEAD OF AMEM-43

Kuala Lumpur, 15 October 2025 — The second day of preparatory meetings leading up to the 43rd ASEAN Ministers on Energy Meeting (AMEM) and Associated Meetings featured two key sessions involving ASEAN's dialogue partners:

- 1. The East Asia Summit Energy Cooperation Task Force (EAS ECTF) meeting, convened to finalise recommendations for consideration at the upcoming 19th East Asia Summit Energy Ministers' Meeting (19th EAS EMM); and
- 2. The ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Energy Plus Three (SOME+3), in preparatory for the 22nd ASEAN+3 Ministers on Energy Meeting (22nd AMEM+3).

The EAS ECTF meeting brought together ASEAN Member States and Timor-Leste with nine EAS participating countries - Australia, China, India, Japan, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, the Russian Federation, and the United States of America, to reaffirm their commitment toward a secure and inclusive regional energy future.

Discussions also reviewed advancements across key cooperation areas and stressed the need for greater alignment of initiatives under the ASEAN Plan of Action for Energy Cooperation (APAEC). Malaysia, as Chair, underlined the importance of strengthening collaboration on renewable energy integration, cross-border power interconnection, and innovative financing mechanisms within the framework of the forthcoming APAEC 2026–2030.

The SOME+3 Preparatory Meeting discussed ASEAN's collaboration with China, Japan, and the Republic of Korea to deepen cooperation in energy security, clean energy transition, and renewable energy investment. The meeting reaffirmed support for the ASEAN Power Grid and other cooperative platforms that is going deliberated during AMEM-43.

Both meetings concluded with a shared commitment to strengthen regional energy cooperation with ASEAN Dialogue Partner and ensure the success of the upcoming 19th EAS EMM and 22nd AMEM+3.

As ASEAN advances toward a low-carbon and interconnected energy future, these discussions reflect the region's collective determination to achieve a just, inclusive, and sustainable energy transition that aligned with the Malaysia MADANI aspirations of shared prosperity, innovation, and environmental stewardship.

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