

# MID-TERM REVIEW OECD THAILAND COUNTRY PROGRAMME: PHASE 2

SETTING THE SCENE

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# Two Decades of Co-operation: from Country Programme to OECD Accession Candidate Country

## SOUTHEAST ASIA REGIONAL FORUM IN BANGKOK & SG VISIT

OECD and Thailand signed letter of intent to establish the Country Programme





## THAILAND COUNTRY PROGRAMME: PHASE II (2023-2025)

Focus on bringing Thailand closer to the OECD standards, while supporting domestic reforms



#### FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT

Meeting with Council, expression of interest to accede the OECD



1ST THAILAND COUNTRY
PROGRAMME (2018-2021) &
CO-CHAIR OF SEARP (2018-2022)



#### **ACCESSION ROADMAP**

Historic milestone of cooperation and new chapter of the partnership



# The TCP2 (Q2 2023- Q1 2026) focuses on 4 key pillars and 20 policy areas to support Thailand's domestic reforms...

## Strategic Coordination and Monitoring



#### **Good Governance**

- Anti-corruption
- Integrity
- Open and connected government
- Public Sector Development
- Government agility and transformation
- Statistical Practice
- Development Co-operation



### Business Climate and Competitiveness

- Regulatory reform
- Competition
- Economic Survey
- Responsible Business Conduct (RBC)
- Productivity
- State-Owned Enterprises



#### Social Inclusion and Human Capital Development

- Education
   Statistics
- Modern teachers
- Skill Strategy



#### **Green Recovery**

- Clean Energy Financing and Investment
- Sustainable Infrastructure
- STI strategy for carbon neutrality and transitions



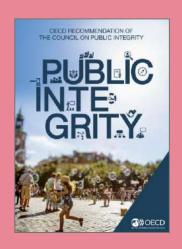
## Selected deliverables under TCP2



# **Strengthening Integrity Policies at Subnational Level**

#### What have been delivered?

- Two **Integrity Reviews** of Thailand (2018, 2022)
- Follow up workshop on the Integrity Reviews in November 2024
- Workshop with local authorities on whistleblower protection at the sub-national level in February 2025



#### **Next steps:**

- Inclusion of Thailand in the OECD Public Integrity Indicators
- 2025 OECD Follow up Review on Integrity
- Report on Whistleblower in Thailand



#### **Deepening Collaboration to Promote Responsible Business Conduct**

#### What have been delivered?

- Report on Responsible Business Conduct for Sustainable Infrastructure in Thailand
- <u>E-learning module</u> in Thai language from the RBC Academy
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises on RBC in Thai language
- RBC due diligence for project and asset finance transactions in Thai language







# Selected deliverables under TCP2 (continued)



**Improving the Quality of Education Statistics** 

#### What have been delivered?

- The first workshop on the design and implementation education indicators
- The second workshop on improving the understanding of national and international assessment data in Thailand and explore policy questions, with a high-level session focusing on potential links of PISA with education system reforms.
- The third workshop aimed to improve the dissemination of data to enhance its usage by policymakers at all levels.
- Invitation to join Education Policy Committee as Participant



**Sustainable Infrastructure Programme in Asia** 

#### What have been delivered?

- Workshop on the Framework for Industry's Net-Zero Transition in Thailand.
- Report on Responsible Business Conduct for Sustainable Infrastructure in Thailand

# Developing financing solutions in emerging and developing economies ORCO EMPIRICAMENT POLICY PAPERING 22 PRICE FRANCISTS

#### **Next Steps:**

- Report on Framework for Industry's Net-Zero
   Transition in Thailand in petrochemicals & plastics sectors.
- Inclusion of Thailand in the OECD
   Infrastructure Governance Indicators (IGIs)
- ITF's Analysis of freight connectivity and decarbonisation in Southeast Asia



# TCP2 achievements: Thailand moved closer to the OECD



Thailand's **request for the OECD Accession Process** in February 2024



Over **20 workshops, seminars and capacity building activities** were organised in each policy area



**Ten staffs on loan** to the OECD Secretariat with a few more to join in 2025



Over **10 Thai Ministers and Senior Officials** attended the OECD Committee's and related meetings



Two progress reports and interaction with the OECD External Relations Committee



# And converged further with OECD Standards [Selected]

**OECD Standards and legal instruments** 

**OECD** responsible business conduct (RBC)

OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions (Anti-Bribery Convention - ABC)

OECD regulatory impact assessment (RIA) and good regulatory practice

OECD/G20 Inclusive Framework on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (Inclusive Framework on BEPS)

Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement on Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information Exchange (CRS MCAA). Thailand's Laws

National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights (NAP)

- Organic law on Anti-Corruption B.E. 2561 (2018)
- Act on the Amendment to Legal Provisions Related to Criminal Liability of Representatives of Legal Entities B.E. 2560 (2017)

Act on Legislative Drafting and Evaluation of Law B.E. **2562** (2019)

**Top-up Tax Emergency Decree B.E.2567 (2024)** 

Emergency Decree Governing Exchange of Information for Complying with International Agreements on Taxation B.E. 2566

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