



What is the Stocktaking Report?

- 1. Prepared for each Ministerial Meeting (ASEMME) by the ASEM Education Secretariat (AES).
- 2. The Stocktaking Report 2026 will collect the outcomes, projects, initiatives and progress of the ASEM Education Process (AEP) between the two Ministerial Meetings (ASEMME9, Valletta, Malta 2024, and ASEMME10, Palawan, Philippines 2026).
- 3. The Stocktaking Report is the result of a process of writing by AES and reviewing by the ASEM partners and stakeholders.
- 4. It is the main instrument for monitoring the implementation of the ASEM Education Strategy.
- 5. Senior Officials, partners and stakeholders are expected to actively contribute to this report by providing regular updates on their on-going activities to the AES.



Drafting Process of the Stocktaking Report

- 1. The ASEM Education Secretariat (AES) drafts the Stocktaking Report, based on:
 - ✓ The results of the (Intermediate) SOMs;
 - ✓ The recommendations and outcomes of seminars and conferences taking place in the ASEM context;
 - ✓ The outcomes of initiatives and projects connecting Asia and Europe;
 - ✓ Input from ASEM countries and stakeholders on the state of play of the previous Chair's Conclusions in the ASEM member country, and commitment and priorities for the next ASEMME.
- 2. The AES proposes a **structure** for the Report to the Senior Officials at the SOM1, revisions and comments feed into template that will be circulated via e-mail.
- 3. The ASEM countries and stakeholders contribute to and revise this document.



1st Version of the Stocktaking Report

The first version is sent to the ASEM members countries and stakeholders with the question to submit their change requests and comments.



Based on the feedback from countries and stakeholders via e-mails, the final Stocktaking Report is presented at the SOM2 and provided as background document to the ASEMME10. The digital version is uploaded to the website and sent to the Senior Officials and stakeholders 2 weeks prior the ASEMME10.

2nd Version of the Stocktaking Report

Based on the feedback to the first version of the draft Stocktaking Report, the AES drafts a second version that is sent out a second time to ASEM members and stakeholders for commenting and changes. In case the feedback is unclear, extra information is asked.





Draft Structure:

- 1. Background
- 2. ASEM Education Secretariat and Expert Groups
- 3. Ongoing and Future ASEM Education Initiatives and Projects
- ASEM Partners
- ASEM Stakeholders
- International Projects
- 4. Analytical articles from Experts
- 5. Conclusions and Outlook



Draft Schedule		
Structure & Template	AES & ASEMME10 host	After SOM1, ready in January 2026
Collecting information on progress of activities by email	ASEM Partners and Stakeholders	February-June 2026
1st draft of Stocktaking Report	AES with ASEMME10 host	15 June 2026
Feedback 1 st draft	ASEM partners and stakeholders	31 August 2026
2 nd draft of Stocktaking Report	AES with ASEMME10 host	15 September 2026
Feedback 2 nd draft	ASEM partners and stakeholders	One month prior to ASEMME10
Final Stocktaking Report	AES	2 weeks prior to ASEMME10 + presented at SOM2 & ASEMME10 (early December 2026)



Chair's Conclusions 2026

What are the Chair's Conclusions?

- 1. Adopted by the Ministers during each ASEMME
- 2. Acknowledge and appreciate initiatives and activities of the cycle. Underline important themes and topic for Asia-Europe cooperation
- 3. Give appreciation for projects, initiatives and activities planned for the coming 2 years
- 4. Input and feedback needed from all project or initiative coordinators
- 5. The first draft will start after SOM1



Who drafts the Chair's Conclusions?

- 1. The ASEM Education Secretariat (AES) drafts the Chair's Conclusions in close collaboration with the host of the ASEMME10 (Philippines), based on:
- ✓ The countries and stakeholders feedback submitted during the drafting process of the Stocktaking Report.
- ✓ The discussions held during the ISOM and SOM1 in preparation of the ASEMME.
- ✓ New activities and initiatives proposed by members.
- 2. The ASEMME10 Chair's Conclusions 2026 are the result of a collaborative drafting process between the AES, the ASEMME10 host and the ASEM members and stakeholders who review the drafts.

Chair's Conclusions 2026

Senior Officials will be asked to revise the first version of the Draft Chair's Conclusions and submit comments by a given deadline.

During SOM2, the Chair's Conclusions will be presented to the Senior Officials for last comments and approval.

The AES and the ASEMME10 host will send out the 2nd - 3rd versions of the Draft Chair's Conclusions before SOM2 for feedbacks, additional input and comments from partners and stakeholders.



Based on the feedback from the SOM2, the AES and ASEMME10 host adapt the final Chair's Conclusions be presented to and adopted the bv Ministers during ASEMME10.



ASEMME 10 Chair's Conclusions 2026

Draft Schedule		
1st draft of Chair's Conclusions	AES with ASEMME10 host	15 June 2026
Feedback 1st draft	ASEM partners and stakeholders	30 August 2026
2 nd draft of Chair's Conclusions	AES with ASEMME10 host	15 September 2026
Feedback on 2 nd draft	ASEM partners and stakeholders	30 September 2026
3 rd draft of Chair's Conclusions	AES with ASEMME10 host	15 October 2026
Feedback on 3 rd draft	ASEM partners and stakeholders	31 October 2026
Last Draft Chair's Conclusions	Last adjustments by ASEM partners	SOM2 (day before ASEMME10), early December 2026
Final Chair's Conclusions	AES + ASEMME10 host	Adopted by Ministers at ASEMME10 (early December 2026)



Next steps towards ASEMME10

ASEMME10 in Palawan, the Philippines



Next steps towards ASEMME10

- Save-the-date for SOM2 + ASEMME10 and invitation
- ▲ 4 Expert Groups continue to meet regularly
 - if your country wants to nominate an expert, please contact us
- ▲ ASEM partners are encouraged to organise webinars, conferences and meetings raising awareness of the ASEM Education Process
 - The ASEM Education Secretariat can support the organisation and dissemination
- **►** During 2026:
 - Drafting process of the Stocktaking Report
 - Drafting process of the Chair's Conclusions
 - Drafting the Palawan Declaration



Looking towards SOM2 and ASEMME10

2nd Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM2)

Late 2026, Palawan, the Philippines (1 day before ASEMME10)

- ► Presentation of Stocktaking Report from Valletta to Palawan 2024-2026
- **►** Last discussions on draft Chair's Conclusions
- **►** Last discussions on Palawan Declaration
- Updates from ASEM Partners and Stakeholders on activities





Looking towards SOM2 and ASEMME10

10th Asia-Europe Meeting of Ministers for Education (ASEMME 10)

Late 2026, Palawan, the Philippines (1,5-2 days)

"Sustainability and Solidarity: Navigating Our Future Together through Asia-Europe Higher Education Cooperation"

- Chaired by the Chairperson of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) of the Republic of the Philippines
- Ministers' Roundtable (short speech of every Minister) on a proposed topic
- Presentation and adoption of ASEMME 10 Chair's Conclusions
- Adoption of the Palawan Declaration