

**Asia-Europe Meeting**



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Bridging Education:  
Prospect and Challenges

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# AEI BACKGROUND

- One of Southeast Asia's leading institutions for social science postgraduate research and teaching.
- Established under the provisions of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) initiative in 1996.
- The Government of Malaysia established the Asia-Europe Centre (ASC) in 1997.
- Transformed into a full-fledged academic institution in 2000 and renamed Asia-Europe Institute (AEI).
- Strives to be a renowned institution of higher learning with academic programmes and research on inter-regional relations between Asia-Europe .
- Promotes collaborative research with academics as well as government and private sector institutions.

# GRADUATE PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES

## Academic

- Master in ASEAN Studies
- Master in European Studies
- PhD.

## Research

- Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence 2017-2021 (JMCoe).
- Building Social Research Capacities in Higher Education in Lao PDR and Malaysia (BRECIL). (2017-2021)
- Higher Educational Leadership Policies in SEAMEO Member

## Other Activities:

- AEI Seminar Series.
- Ambassadors Lecture Series.
- Eminent Persons Lecture Series.
- AEI-ASEM Summer School.
- Asia Europe Conference (AEC).

# AEI MASTER PROGRAMMES



Coursework Based



3 Semesters (Maximum 9 Semesters)



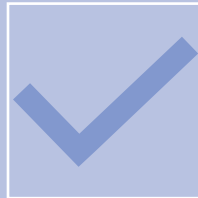
Semester Intake: October and March



# Aims and Strength of programmes



Targeted at enhancing scholarship  
of ASEAN and EU.



Mutually reinforcing syllabus



Designed to encourage theoretical  
and academic studies with real  
work practical knowledge

## MASTER IN ASEAN STUDIES

Institute Courses

Major Courses

Elective Courses

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# Hybrid and Remote Learning.

Transition at end of 2019.

- Hybrid Learning – Some lecturers and some students are off campus.

Movement Control Order  
(March 2020-October 2021)

- Full remote learning – all classes held online.

2021/2022 Academic Year

- Return to conventional classes with remote learning option

## SPECTRUM

- UM online learning interface
- Platform to upload learning resources and conduct assessment

## Platforms for Classes

- Microsoft Team
- Google Meet
- Zoom

## Support softwares/apps

- Whatsapp/Wechat/Telegram
- Turnitin
- Kahoot
- Padlet
- etc



# Learning and Assessment Methods



60% CONTINUOUS  
ASSESSMENT  
40% SUMMATIVE  
ASSESSMENT



WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS



GROUP ASSIGNMENTS



ONLINE EXERCISES



ONLINE INTERNSHIPS



# Transitioning to Online

## All assessments conducted online

- Supervision records
- Progress Assessments (Proposal presentations, candidature defence and final seminar)
- Viva voce

## AEI PhD Mini Seminars

- Known as Coffee Morning/Tea Break
- Started in 2019
- Place for AEI PhD Students to share research progress and practice their presentation.

## Online Webinars for Research Enhancement


- Information Skills Sessions
- Webinar: Critical Thinking When Reading and Writing Academic Papers
- Responsible Conduct of Research Workshop

# Prospects and Challenges for Online Programmes

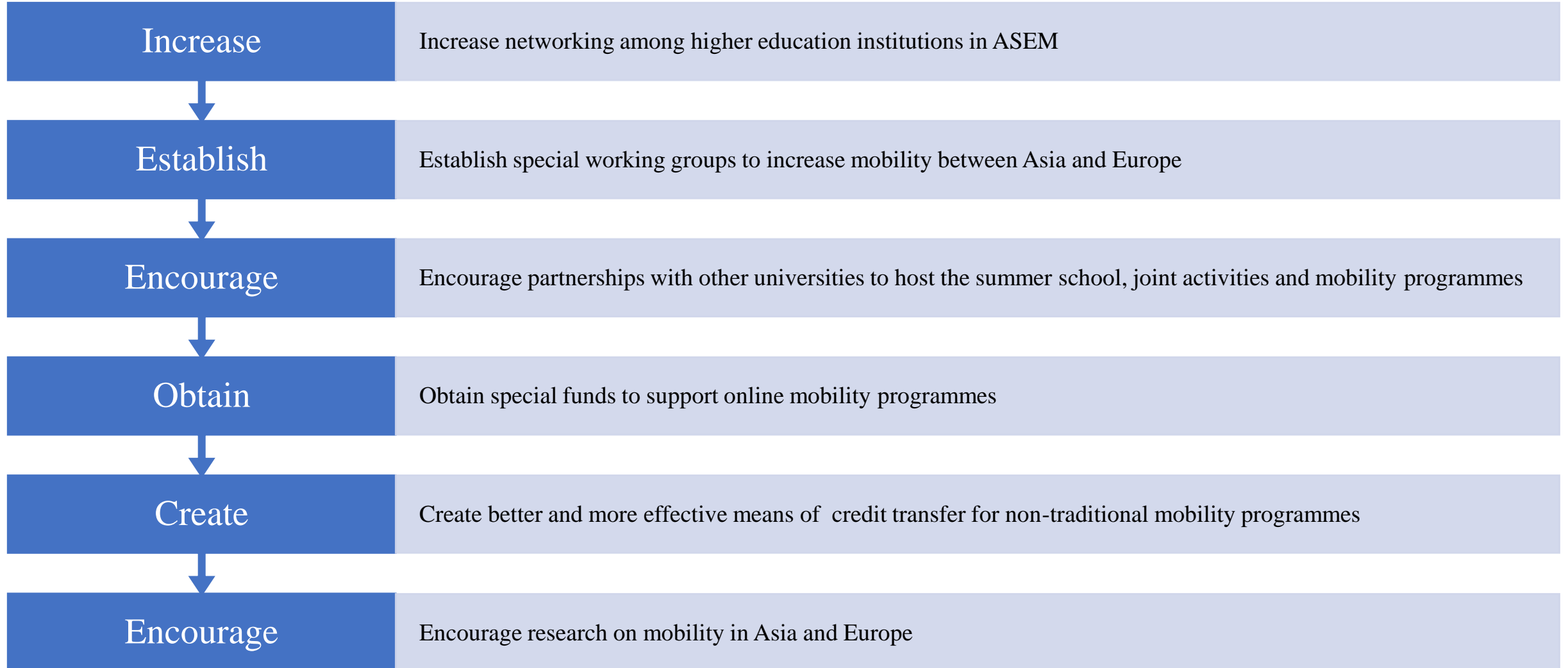
## Prospects

- Increased Capacity for Collaboration
- Larger audience
- Digital engagement across various platforms
- Lower cost for events

## Challenges

- Technical and connectivity difficulties
  - Difficulty ascertain audience engagement
  - Oversaturation of programmes
  - Low rate of monetization
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# Way forward for better BALANCED MOBILITY





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***Terima kasih***  
**Thank you**

