SHARE, the European Union Support to Higher Education in the ASEAN Region, is a four-year initiative by the EU and ASEAN. They have entrusted the implementation of SHARE to a consortium of British Council (lead), Campus France, DAAD, EP-Nuffic, ENQA, and EUA.

Launched in Jakarta in May 2015, SHARE aims to support ASEAN in harmonising regional higher education by sharing European expertise. It does this through strengthening regional cooperation, enhancing the quality, competitiveness, and internationalisation of ASEAN higher education for institutions and students, and thereby contributing to a closer ASEAN Community.

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**SHARE'S APPROACH**

SHARE’s activities are in support of the ASEAN 5-Year Work Plan on Education 2016-2020 and the ASEAN Declaration on Higher Education of 2015. The programme’s approach is inclusive: SHARE engages with ASEAN bodies and organisations as well as with relevant non-ASEAN entities. SHARE pays special attention to narrowing the development gap and focuses certain activities on the least developed ASEAN members, in accordance with ASEAN's own priorities.

Through its different areas of work SHARE aims to have an impact at policy, institutional and individual levels, addressing national and regional education policy makers, individual universities, as well as university managers and students.

**SHARE’S AREAS OF WORK**

- **Policy Dialogues**
  Led by the British Council, SHARE supports policy-makers in shaping higher education in the ASEAN region and addressing policy as well as technical dimensions of cooperation.

- **ASEAN Qualifications Reference Frameworks & ASEAN Quality Assurance**
  Guided by DAAD and supported by EUA and ENQA, SHARE contributes European QF and QA experience through consultation, mapping, study visits to Europe and training workshops.

- **ASEAN Credit Transfer System (ACTS) & ASEAN-EU Credit Transfer System (AECTS)**
  Under the leadership of Campus France, SHARE identifies and maps ASEAN needs and builds tools to support a common platform for online credit transfer within ASEAN and between ASEAN and EU.

- **Student Mobility with Scholarships**
  Led by EP-Nuffic, SHARE puts the new framework and systems to the test by providing up to 500 scholarships, creating life-changing opportunities for ASEAN students.

**SHARE’S IMPACT**

By the end of SHARE in early 2019, the following outcomes are expected in higher education in ASEAN member states:

- Increased and enhanced mobility for university students across ASEAN through improved qualification frameworks, quality assurance, an ASEAN-wide credit transfer system and scholarship scheme.

- Improved equality in opportunities for exchange, as students benefit from SHARE’s technical assistance across ASEAN member countries, thereby improving connectivity across higher education in ASEAN.

- Strengthened ties between ASEAN universities and increasing opportunities for EU-ASEAN university partnerships.