



Singapore hosts 46th annual meeting of the Council of the SEAFDEC

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Singapore, represented by the Agri-Food and Veterinary Authority of Singapore, is hosting the 46th annual meeting of the Council of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC, refer to Annex A for more details) in Orchard Hotel from 1 to 4 April 2014. The Minister of State (MOS) for National Development and Defence, Dr Mohamad Maliki bin Osman, is the Guest-of-Honour at the opening ceremony.

2 “Sustainable fisheries, fishing, and aquaculture are key in promoting food security. Through this meeting, we aim to harness the potential of the region and holistically address global issues on sustainable fisheries, and reaffirm our commitment to develop and promote capabilities in sustainable fisheries management and innovative aquaculture technologies. Together, we can ensure a continuous supply of safe food within the Southeast Asian region,” MOS Maliki said.

3 All 11 member countries of SEAFDEC (ASEAN countries and Japan) will be represented in the meeting. The progress of SEAFDEC’s programmes and activities for the past year will be reported and programmes and activities for the coming year will be proposed to the Council for endorsement.

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About the SEAFDEC

SEAFDEC is a regional inter-governmental organization established in 1967 to promote the development of sustainable fisheries in Southeast Asia by mutual co-operation among member governments of the Center, and through collaboration with international organizations and governments external to the Center.

2 The members of SEAFDEC are the 10 ASEAN Member Countries (Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao DPR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam) and Japan. The SEAFDEC member countries take turns to host the annual SEAFDEC Council meetings and Singapore last hosted the 33rd Meeting of the Council in 2001. For more information on SEAFDEC, please visit their website at <http://www.seafdec.org/>

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