

Announcement of South-South and Triangular Cooperation Flagship Projects:
Collaborations between Thailand International Cooperation Agency and
the United Nations Thailand Country Team
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Mrs. Gita Sabharwal, United Nations Resident Coordinator in Thailand,
H.E. Mr. David Daly, Ambassador of the European Union to Thailand,
Heads of UN Agencies in Thailand,
Members of the media present here today,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

It gives me great pleasure to be standing in TICA's Exhibition Booth, being displayed here in front of the ESCAP Hall at the United Nations Conference Centre, because there is no better setting to announce the launch of three South-South and triangular cooperation development projects under the collaborations between Thailand, the UN, and partner countries, as well as the European Union.

South-South Cooperation, or development cooperation among developing countries, is at the heart of Thailand's development policy. TICA operates under the principles of solidarity and demand-driven development cooperation, along the line of the Sufficiency Economy Philosophy and the Bio-Circular-Green Economy Model.

The UN-Thailand Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework 2022-2026 serves as a good example of how a Member State could work with the UN along the path to attain the Sustainable Development Goals and to realize the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. TICA hopes to leverage the success of Thailand-UN partnership by scaling projects in key development areas to other countries in the region through the South-South and triangular cooperation modalities.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Joining me today are the heads of UN agencies in Thailand and officials from lined-Ministries, who will share with you in further details about the projects they plan to carry out in neighboring countries in the areas of Organic Agriculture, Global Health Diplomacy, and Midwifery Capacity Building.

Allow me to give recognition to our colleagues from the WHO, UNFPA, ITC, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Ministry of Public Health, and Ministry of Commerce.

Last, but not least, I want to thank the UN Resident Coordinator for being a true champion of South-South and triangular cooperation. Khun Gita's enthusiasm and leadership brought us together to advance development partnership in Thailand and beyond.

We look forward to hearing more from our esteemed colleagues about these exciting three projects.

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