

### Meeting 1: 3 August 2022 @ 11:00 Singapore Time

#### Participants

*Geoff Smith, ILSI SEA; Boon Yee, ILSI SEA; Jiang Yi Fan, FIA; Pauline Chan, ILSI SEA; Lee Hui Key, ILSI SEA; Samuel Godefroy, GForSS*

#### Outcomes of Meeting 1 Discussions

- Introduction of the Asia Codex Initiative funded by the US Codex Office.
- Agreement on the development of Partnership between GForSS and ILSI South East Asia (SEA) as two knowledge (dissemination) organizations to support the development of the sub-regional component of the Asia Codex Initiative for SEA.
- Identification of ASEAN structures that require engagement to support the implementation of the ASEAN sub-regional component:
  - A Codex Taskforce currently chaired by the Philippines (rotational chair).
  - The ASEAN secretariat overseeing the implementation of food standards integration efforts.

#### Next Steps

- ❖ ILSI SEA to engage with ASEAN secretariat and with representatives of the ASEAN Codex Taskforce in order to discuss collaborative opportunities.
- ❖ Group to reconvene at a later date for an update.

### Meeting 2: 19 August 2022 @ 11:00 Singapore Time

#### Participants

*Pauline Chan, ILSI SEA; Tee E. Siong, ILSI SEA; Geoff Smith, ILSI SEA; Boon Yee, ILSI SEA; Samuel Godefroy, GForSS*

#### Outcomes of Meeting 2 Discussions

- Confirmation of an existing ASEAN structure for Codex coordination: ASEAN Codex Taskforce – currently chaired by the Philippines.
- Initial engagement with Taskforce leadership indicated interest for collaboration with the Codex Asia Initiative:
  - Interest in the development and possible reliance on a pool of experts from the region.
- Current Activities:
  - ASEAN Codex Taskforce meets annually (current chair: The Philippines).
  - Next meeting planned towards the end of September 2022 (28 – 30 September 2022).
  - For each Codex Committee, a country plays a leadership role.

#### Next Steps

- ❖ To confirm delivery of a possible presentation at the next ASEAN Codex Taskforce meeting – seeking collaborations.
- ❖ To prepare a short outline of the Asia Codex Initiative and to share it with the ASEAN secretariat, including the Codex Taskforce, for the purposes of introducing the Initiative.
- ❖ Possible update meeting in subsequent weeks.