

PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 18 MAY 2006

08:00-08:30	Registration
08:30-09:30	Inaugural Session
08:30-08:40	Welcome Remarks by Dr. Olivier Cogels, Chief Executive Officer, Mekong River Commission Secretariat
08:40-08:50	Opening Address by H.E. Mr. Sin Niny, Vice-Chairman of Cambodia National Mekong Committee, MRC Joint Committee Member for Cambodia
08:50-09:00	Statement by Dr. Armand Evers, First Secretary Integrated Water Resources Management, Royal Netherlands Embassy, Hanoi-Vietnam
09:00-09:10	Summary of the 3rd Annual Mekong Flood Forum, by Mr. Richard W. Paulson
09:10-09:20	Overview and Expected Outcomes of the 4th Annual Mekong Flood Forum, by Dr. Guna Paudyal, Forum Facilitator
09:20-09:50	Coffee Break
09:50-10:00	Video Show: "A Future Within Reach", Reshaping Institutions in a Region of Disparities to Meet the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and Pacific, by UNESCAP, UNDP, ADB
10:00-12:00	Session 1: Lessons Learned from Last Year's Flood and National Flood Forecasting and Warning Experiences Chairperson: Head of the Cambodian Delegation Facilitator: Mr. Richard W. Paulson
10:00-10:20	Country Report, Cambodia, by Country Delegate
10:20-10:40	Country Report, Lao PDR, by Country Delegate
10:40-11:00	Country Report, Thailand, by Country Delegate
11:00-11:20	Country Report, Viet Nam, by Country Delegate
11:20-11:40	2005 Flood Report for LMB, by Dr. Tien Truong Hong, Programme Coordinator, FMMP-MRC
11:40-12:00	Panel Discussion
12:00-13:00	Lunch
13:00-14:45	Session 2: Lower Mekong and Other River Basin Experience: Meeting Community Needs Chairperson: Head of the Lao PDR Delegation Facilitator: Dr. Guna Paudyal
13:00-13:15	Implementation of Flood Warnings at Local Levels, by Sandrine Roussy, Action Contre la Faim, Cambodia.
13:15-13:30	Meeting Local Needs for Flood Preparedness Programmes at the Provincial and District Levels in the Lower Mekong Basin-MRC/ADPC Experiences, by ADPC
13:30-13:45	Early Warning System Project, by American Red Cross and Cambodian Red Cross in Partnership with the Mekong River Commission
13:45-14:00	Vulnerability and Risk Reduction through a Community-Based System for Flood Monitoring and Forecasting, by Timothy C. Martin, Ahmadul Hassan, Saidur Rahman and Karin Wirthlin, Riverside Technology, USA
14:00-14:30	Panel Discussion
14:30-15:30	POSTER SESSION AND EXHIBITS (MRC, AIT, ICHARM, IFNet, MRIGC, OFDA, Delft Hydraulics and DHI) and COFFEE BREAK
15:30-16:30	Session 3: International and Regional Experience: Flood Forecasting, Dissemination of Flood Forecasts and Warning Products Chairperson: Head of Thai Delegation Facilitator: Mr. Richard W. Paulson



15:30-15:45	Best Practices for Flood Forecasting and Warning Systems: The Campagne National du Rhone's Experience in Flood Forecasting and the Advantages It Can Provide for the LMB, by P. Boulestreau, D. Jouve, V. Piron, Compagnie Nationale du Rhone, France
15:45-16:00	The Potential of the Delft-FEWS Flood Forecasting Platform for Application in the Mekong Basin, by Adri Verwey, Karel Heynert, Micha Werner, Paolo Reggiani, Bob Van Kappel and Jan Jaap Brinkman, Delft Hydraulics, the Netherlands
16:00-16:15	Lessons Learned and Improved Technologies for Real-Time Flood Forecasting and Warning, by Jacob Hoest-Madsen, DHI, Denmark.
16:15-16:30	Potential Alternative for Key Technologies to Improve the Accuracy and the Lead-Time of Flood Forecasting in the Mekong River, by Kazuhiko Fukami, M. Levent Kavvas, and Riko Oki, ICHARM, Japan
16:30-16:45	Asia Flood Network: USAID/OFDA Flood Mitigation and Preparedness Programme in Asia, by A. Sezin Tokar, USAID/OFDA.
16:45-17:25	Panel Discussion
18:30-20:30	Dinner reception

FRIDAY, 19 MAY 2006

08:00-10:00	Session 4: Regional Flood Forecasting and Warning, and Status of FMMP Implementation Chairperson: Head of Viet Nam Delegation Facilitator: Dr. Guna Paudyal
08:00-08:15	Summary of Day 1 of AMFF-4 by Mr. Nicolaas Bakker, FMMP-CTA, MRC
08:15-08:30	National Flood Forecasting System in China, by Silong Zhang, Bureau of Hydrology, Ministry of Water Resources, Beijing, PR China.
08:30-08:45	Flood Forecasting and Warning in Myanmar, by Thein Aung and Aye Ko, Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River System, Ministry of Transport, Myanmar.
08:45-09:00	Flood Forecasting and Warning in MRC, by Dr. Chusit Aprirumanekul, River Forecasting Expert, RFMMC
09:00-09:15	Planned RFMMC Staffing and Technology Upgrades, Relocation to a Permanent Facility, and Expected Capacity, by Mr. Nicolaas Bakker, FMMP-CTA, MRC
09:15-09:30	Planned Flood Forecasting and Warning Activities under the FMMP, by Dr. Tien Truong Hong
09:30-10:00	Panel Discussion
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break, Poster Session and Exhibits
10:30-12:00	Session 5: Working Group Discussions: Pragmatic Working Arrangements Among the RFMMC and Member Country Centres, and Communities at Risk Facilitators: Mr. Richard W. Paulson & Dr. Guna Paudyal
10:30-10:45	Procedure for and Expectations from the Group Discussion, Formation of Groups and Introduction of Group Facilitators
10:45-12:00	Group Discussions
12:00-13:30	Lunch and Preparation for Group Presentations
13:30-15:30	Session 6: Plenary Session Co-chairpersons: Director of Technical Support Division and FMMP Chief Technical Advisor
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15:30-16:30	Session 7: Concluding session
15:30-16:00	Summary of Proceedings, by Mr. Richard W. Paulson and Dr. Guna Paudyal
16:00-16:15	Remarks by a Representative of Participants
16:15-16:30	Closing Address by CEO, MRCS

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