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This volume brings together the work of seventeen contributors from the lower Mekong River Basin (MRB) riparian countries of Cambodia, Lao PDR, Thailand and Vietnam. The volume comprises representative case studies from each of the countries which highlight sustainable development, environmental management, and planning theory and concepts addressed in the Mekong River Commission's (MRC) Environment Training Program (ETP). The case studies are intended to compliment the material contained in the ETP courses and serve as a practical learning tool in future presentation of these courses in riparian countries.

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