Helping ASEAN turn policy into practice

**ASEAN–USAID PROSPECT**
on combating wildlife trafficking

**WILDLIFE TRAFFICKING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA**

- **US$2.5B**
  - estimated yearly value of illegal wildlife trade, facilitated by wildlife cybercrime
- **1,000,000**
  - endangered pangolins estimated killed over the past decade for consumption and traditional medicine
- **10**
  - ASEAN countries have signed Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna (CITES)

Sources: ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity; UNODC Transnational Organized Crime in Southeast Asia 2019

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**ASEAN POLICIES**

**Plan of Action for ASEAN Cooperation on CITES and Wildlife Enforcement, 2016–2020**

**Chiang Mai Statement of ASEAN Ministers Responsible for CITES and Wildlife Enforcement,** endorsed at the Special ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Illegal Wildlife Trade in 2019

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**BUILDING A COALITION OF STAKEHOLDERS | 2018 - 2023**

Supporting ongoing regional consultation and collaboration to address illegal trade in animals and plants among ASEAN bodies, law enforcement, forestry, and customs officials, subject matter experts, implementers, and other regional actors

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**ADVANCING ASEAN POLICIES | 2019 - 2023**

Led multi-sectoral development of **ASEAN Guidelines on Detecting and Preventing Wildlife Trafficking,** with USAID Wildlife Asia, to serve as an effective regional mechanism for coordination among law enforcement, forestry, customs officials and other key stakeholders.

The ASEAN Guidelines on Detecting and Preventing Wildlife Trafficking were adopted at the 41st Meeting of ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry in October 2019

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**POLICY TO PRACTICE | 2020 - 2023**

Collaborating with a coalition of stakeholders to enhance regional coordination to combat illegal trade in wildlife across ASEAN Member States and protect the region’s uniquely rich biodiversity

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