



## ISPMs and the Southeast Asian Region

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## Southeast Asia –

- 10 countries – diverse cultures, different languages, different stages of economic development
- Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam
- ASEAN – the Association of SE Asian Nations
- AMAF and subsidiary Working Groups seeking areas for cooperation and harmonization

## Key Issues / Challenges

- Language – comprehension of text of ISPM, translations by some countries into national language
- Perception – expect ISPMs to be SOPs e.g. PRA, surveillance, etc
- Lack of capacity e.g. pest lists, diagnostics
- PRA – model, analysis and evaluation
- Pest lists for some forest products not species-based
- NPPOs assume sole institutional responsibility



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