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Subject: Comments by Germany on the Rehabilitation and Sustainable Use of Peatland Forests in South-East Asia Project

Dear Ms. Barbut,

For the further planning steps in the development and implementation of the project the following considerations should be taken into account:

The project document mentions the linkage to ongoing ASEAN activities and initiatives on peatland management. The link to the 'Regional Haze Action Plan' together with the respective national action plans, to the 'ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution' and to the 'Guidelines for the Implementation of the ASEAN Policy on Zero Burning' should be added.

It should also be clarified how the ASEAN-Secretariat and the Senior Officials on the Environment (ASOEN) resp. the ASOEN-Haze Technical Task Force (ASOEN-HTTF) in ASEAN member states will be involved in the project.

Best regards

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