

The 21st GMSARN International Conference 2026

October 21-22, 2026 | Kunming City, China

“Accelerating Sustainable Energy and Environmental Solutions for the Greater Mekong Subregion”

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Topics

ENERGY

- Regional Energy Transition Pathways toward Net Zero in the GMS
- Advancements in Renewable Energy Technologies and Smart Grid Integration
- Energy Storage, Microgrids, and Digital Innovation for Future Power Systems

ENVIRONMENT

- Climate Resilience and Environmental Protection in Energy Infrastructure
- Sustainable Resource Management and Biodiversity Conservation
- Carbon Capture and Circular Economy Strategies for Emission Reduction

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

- Inclusive Energy Access and Just Transition for Communities in the GMS
- Capacity Building, Innovation, and the Role of Youth and Universities

Conference Purpose

The 21st GMSARN International Conference, scheduled for October 21-22, 2026, is a distinguished collaborative initiative organized by the Greater Mekong Subregion Academic and Research Network (GMSARN), the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), and the Kunming University of Science and Technology (KUST) and Yunnan University (YNU). Hosted in Kunming, China, this conference will serve as a premier platform for advancing discussions on energy transition, environmental protection, and sustainable development within the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS).

Under the theme "Accelerating Sustainable Energy and Environmental Solutions for the Greater Mekong Subregion," this conference aims to facilitate high-level exchanges among academics, policymakers, industry leaders, and practitioners, fostering multidisciplinary collaboration to address pressing sustainability challenges. The conference will provide a strategic forum for sharing cutting-edge research, policy insights, and innovative solutions that drive sustainable energy development and environmental stewardship in the region.

GMSARN 2026 is committed to promoting regional and cross-border cooperation by integrating knowledge across diverse fields to develop comprehensive strategies for sustainable development. Key topics to be addressed include renewable energy integration, green financing, carbon neutrality strategies, climate adaptation, and circular economy solutions, with a particular emphasis on achieving a just and inclusive energy transition.

By convening leading experts and fostering academic-industry partnerships, the conference will contribute significantly to the advancement of sustainability-oriented policies and practices. It will also serve as a crucial knowledge-sharing platform, enhancing research collaboration, educational initiatives, and capacity-building efforts within the GMS. Through this initiative, GMSARN 2026 seeks to play a pivotal role in shaping the region's sustainable future, ensuring that economic growth aligns with environmental responsibility and long-term resilience.

Paper Submission

Instructions to Authors

The abstract should contain the title of the paper, corresponding author and their affiliations, key words, and summary. Times New Roman font size 10 should be used. The authors will be notified of the acceptance within two weeks after receipt of the extended abstracts. Authors are encouraged to submit their abstracts by email in both PDF and WORD file formats. Submissions should be addressed to the GMSARN Secretariat at gmsarn@ait.asia. One of the authors is expected to present at the conference. The full paper will be published in the conference program book and selected papers will be considered for peer review in GMSARN International Journal. English is the language for all printed materials, as well as for the technical presentations and discussions.

- Style Guide for Abstract
- Style Guide for Full paper

Conference Program

Day 1

- Morning: Opening Ceremony, Keynote Sessions, Parallel Sessions
- Afternoon: Excursion Trip & Welcome Reception Dinner

Day 2

- Morning: Keynote Sessions, Parallel Sessions, Closing Ceremony
- Afternoon: Parallel Sessions

Registration Fees

Registration Fees	Early-Bird Registration No later than	Regular Registration After
Regular	14,000 THB (400 USD)	15,000 THB (450 USD)
GMSARN Member	12,000 THB (350 USD)	13,000 THB (380 USD)
Student	8,000 THB (240 USD)	9,000 THB (270 USD)
General Audience	4,500 THB (150 USD)	4,500 THB (150 USD)
Excursion Trip	1,500 THB (45 USD)	

This fee covers costs of lunch, refreshments, welcome reception dinner and conference kit.

The registration form and payment information can be downloaded from the website:

<http://www.gmsarn.com/conference2026>

Special rate accommodation at conference site hotel should be booked using the conference reservation form to the GMSARN Secretariat.

Important Dates:

Abstract Submission Deadline	June 30 2026
Notification of Acceptance	July 31, 2026
Final Manuscript Submission & Early-Bird Registration Deadline	August 31, 2026
Conference Dates:	October 21-22, 2026

Conference Venue :

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