

## **CSIS-GRIPS-RSIS Webinar “Sustainable Growth in ASEAN Countries” March 30, 2021**

### **Questions to Speakers    Original recording – English**

Some questions to speakers are introduced through Zoom Q&A Chat function from the moderator. Please see the following question texts and timing for your reference:

#### **Around 1:24 Question to Dr. Lee (Malaysia)**

"2020 observed a backsliding in democratization in Malaysia (as well as other ASEAN member states like Thailand and Myanmar), how does it factored in this ongoing deindustrialization?"

#### **Around 1:26 Question to Dr. Aldaba (Philippines)**

"Based on the graph, there's a huge decline in FDI in 2020, which is understandable due to the pandemic. Which sectors are badly hit? Which sectors are resilient? What accounts for the resilience in those sectors?"

#### **Around 1:28 Question to Dr. Lee (Malaysia)>**

"How is premature deindustrialization similar or different from the middle income trap phenomenon, which Malaysia has suffered for the longest time? Is premature deindustrialization worse than middle income trap?"

#### **Around 1:29 Question to Dr. Archanun (Thailand)**

"How has Prayuth Chan-o-cha's Administration are dealing with pandemic and simultaneously intervening with Myanmar coup? What are the prospects would you reckon on Thai economy reflection adversely?"

#### **Around 1:30 Question to Dr. Aldaba (Philippines)**

"How to integrate the eco-zones or special economic zones into the domestic market? What type of fiscal policy/incentives needed to create a level of playing field for domestic companies that do not enjoy the benefits of eco-zones?"

"You find that an efficient supply base is necessary to link eco-zone firms with domestic economy. What programs/policies is the PH government pursuing to build local capabilities?"

#### **Around 1:35 Question to Prof. Urata (Japan)**

"What do you think about the possibility, after the end of the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, of being followed by a major economic crisis such as the Asian Financial Crisis, July 1997–December 1998?"

"Do the countries of ASEAN and Japan particularly have economic plans to deal with such an economic crisis, what are they and what measures do these plans envisage to save the Asian economy again?"