

WIEF – SEACO FOUNDATION Dhaka Roundtable 2019

REGIONAL COLLABORATION: TRANSFORMING ECONOMIES

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SEACO

Regional Cooperation
Between OIC Member States in South East Asia

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BANGLADESH



BRUNEI



INDONESIA

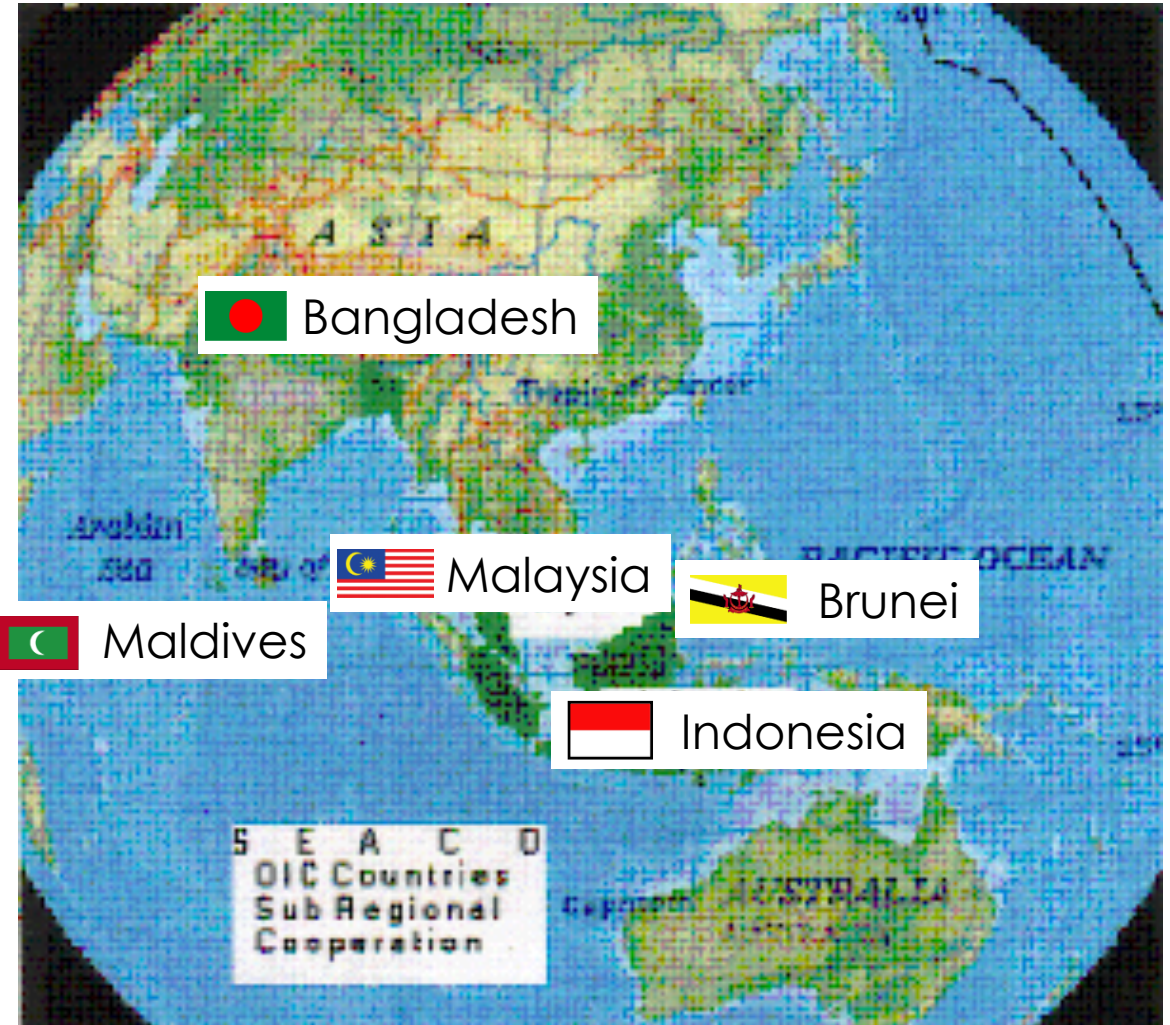


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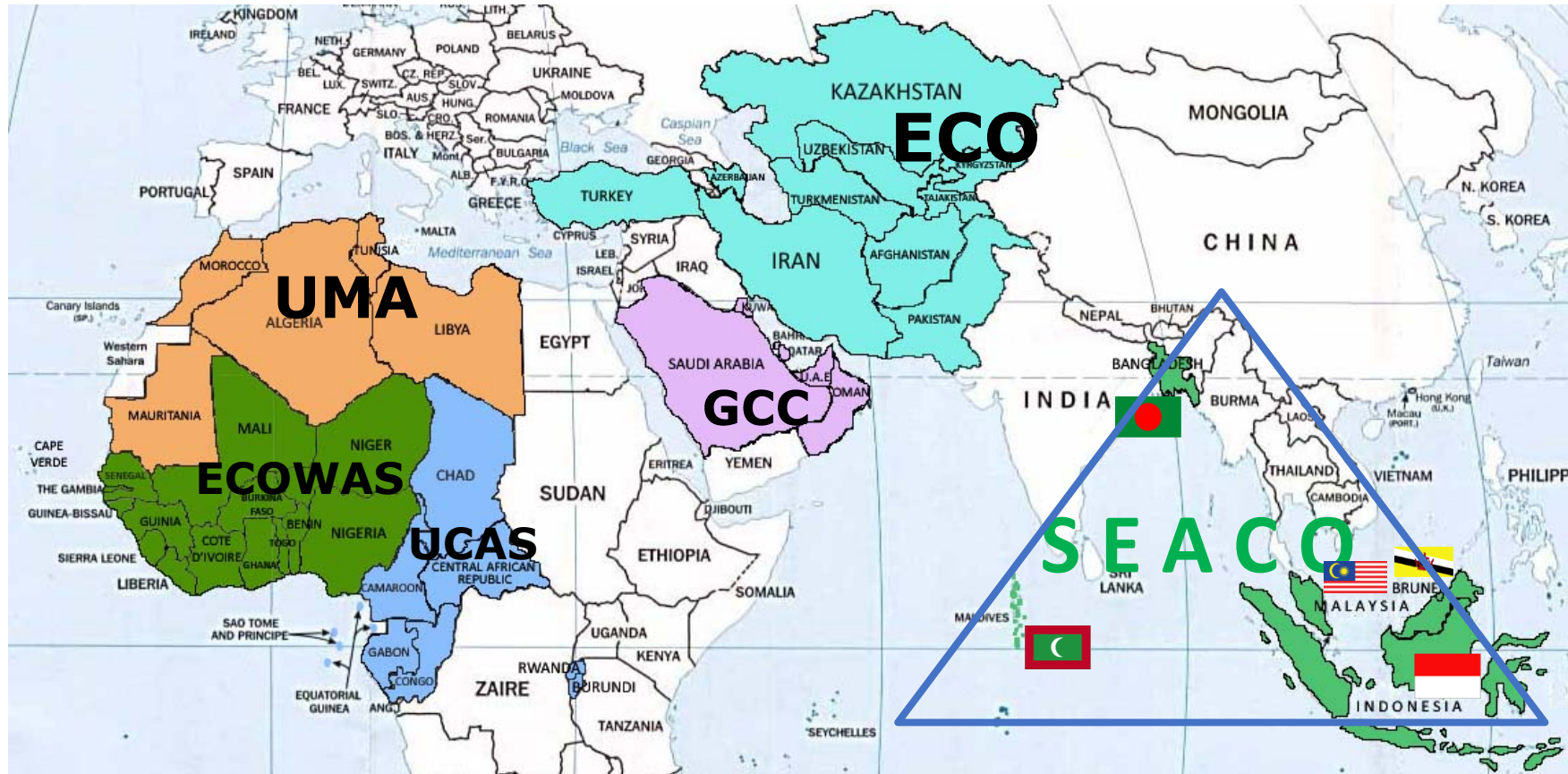
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South East Asian Co-operation





Existing Regional Cooperation Arrangements of OIC Member States



ECOWAS = Economic Community of West African States

UMA = Union of Maghreb Arab

UCAS = Union of Central Africa States

GCC = Gulf Cooperation Council

ECO = Economic Cooperation Organization

SEACO = South East Asian Cooperation

*(PROPOSED AT IDB-INDO SEMINAR, BANDUNG 18th DECEMBER, 1992)



**Bangladesh-Malaysia
Chamber of Commerce & Industry**



17-19 December 2004
Dhaka

Declaration for the
First Bangladesh-Malaysia Business Forum
keynote paper presented by Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad
Former Prime Minister of Malaysia
Dhaka on 18-19th December 2004

South East Asia Cooperation (SEACO):

“We call on the Governments of Bangladesh and Malaysia to put on track the resolution of the 9th OIC Summit Conference, 2000, Qatar, encouraging the realization of SEACO under the OIC framework. The private sector stands ready to assist and to provide whatever support required to realize this resolution”



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Malaysia South-South Association
(MASSA)



Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute
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31st July 1996

SEACO was in Agenda of the official talks between the Prime Ministers of Bangladesh and Malaysia, H.E. Sheikh Hasina and H.E Tun Dr Mahathir Mohammad in KL in 1996

“The FORUM Declaration, I understood has highlighted the Sectors, Areas of cooperation with specific Recommendation for a Sub-Regional FTA in South and South East Asia, towards an Islamic Free Trade Area (IFTA). This is considered an important goal for the Ummah of over one billion consumers.”

Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad

January 5th, 2006

2019

PM proposes regional economic forum with five OIC states



Brunei Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah welcomes Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at the Istana Nurul Iman, the official residence of the Sultan, in Brunei on Monday, April 22, 2019

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on Monday, April 22, 2019 proposed formation of a regional economic forum with five Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) member states of South and Southeast Asian region, including Bangladesh and Brunei.

In response to the proposal, the Brunei Sultan assured that he will "favourably consider" the matter, the foreign secretary said.

SEACO (SOUTH EAST ASIAN COOPERATION)



INDICATOR	SEACO
Area	2.3 million sq. km.
Consumer/Population	457 million
Work Force	194 million
Combined GDP	\$ 1.59 trillion
Average GDP growth rate	5.1% - 7% (approx.) per anum
Total Trade	\$ 825.31 billion

INDICATORS	ASEAN	SAARC
Population	590 million +	1.66 billion
Combined GDP	1.8 trillion	1.56 trillion
Average GDP growth rate	5.5% - 6%+	5% to 7%+
Total Trade	1.5 trillion	\$ 1.4 trillion

- It was proposed in Bandung in 1992 that SEACO could develop as an economic link between ASEAN and SAARC.

❖ Indonesian IDB High Technology Seminar

SAARC – ASEAN Economic Indicators

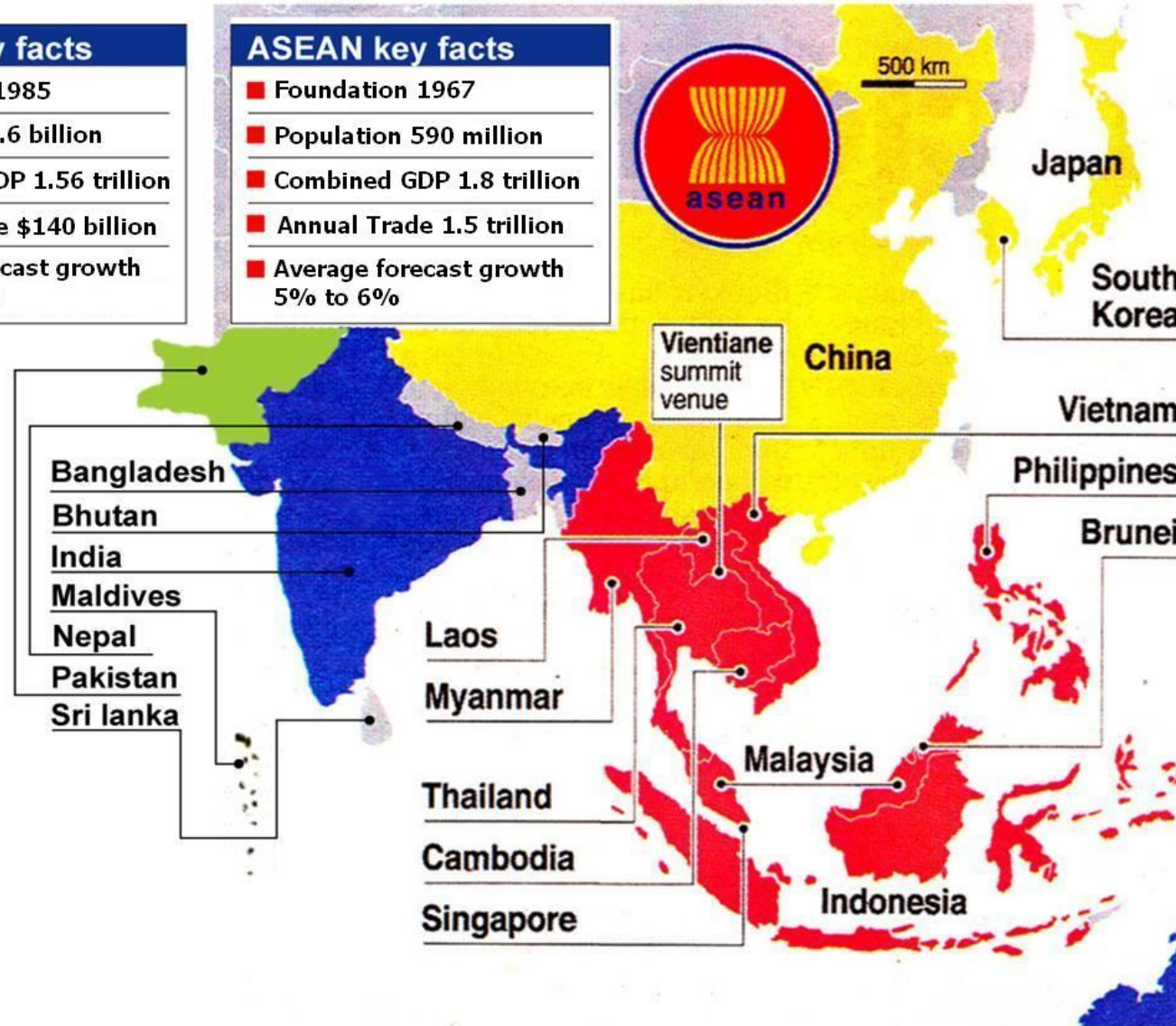


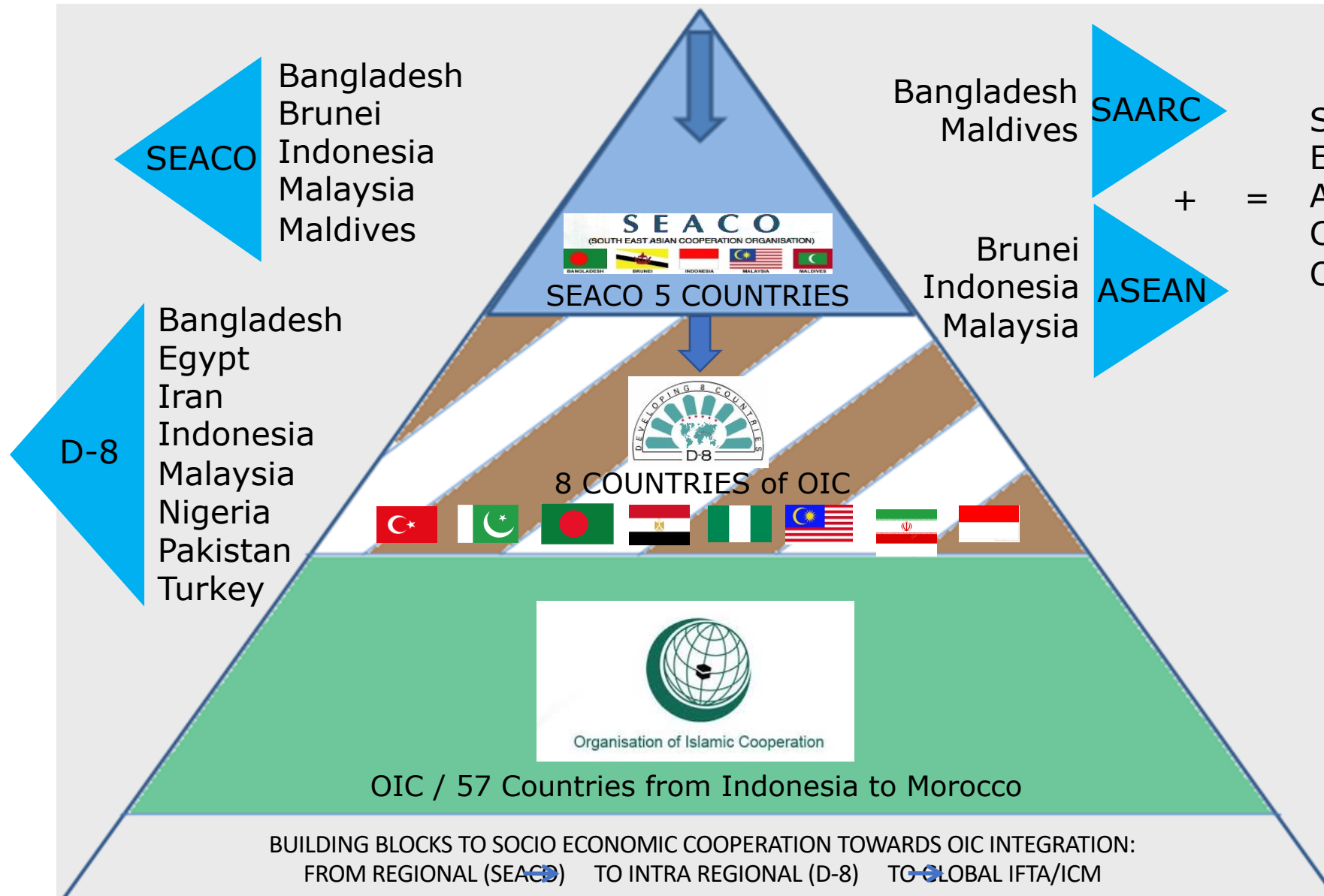
SAARC key facts

- Foundation 1985
- Population 1.6 billion
- Combined GDP 1.56 trillion
- Annual Trade \$140 billion
- Average forecast growth 5.5% to 6%

ASEAN key facts

- Foundation 1967
- Population 590 million
- Combined GDP 1.8 trillion
- Annual Trade 1.5 trillion
- Average forecast growth 5% to 6%





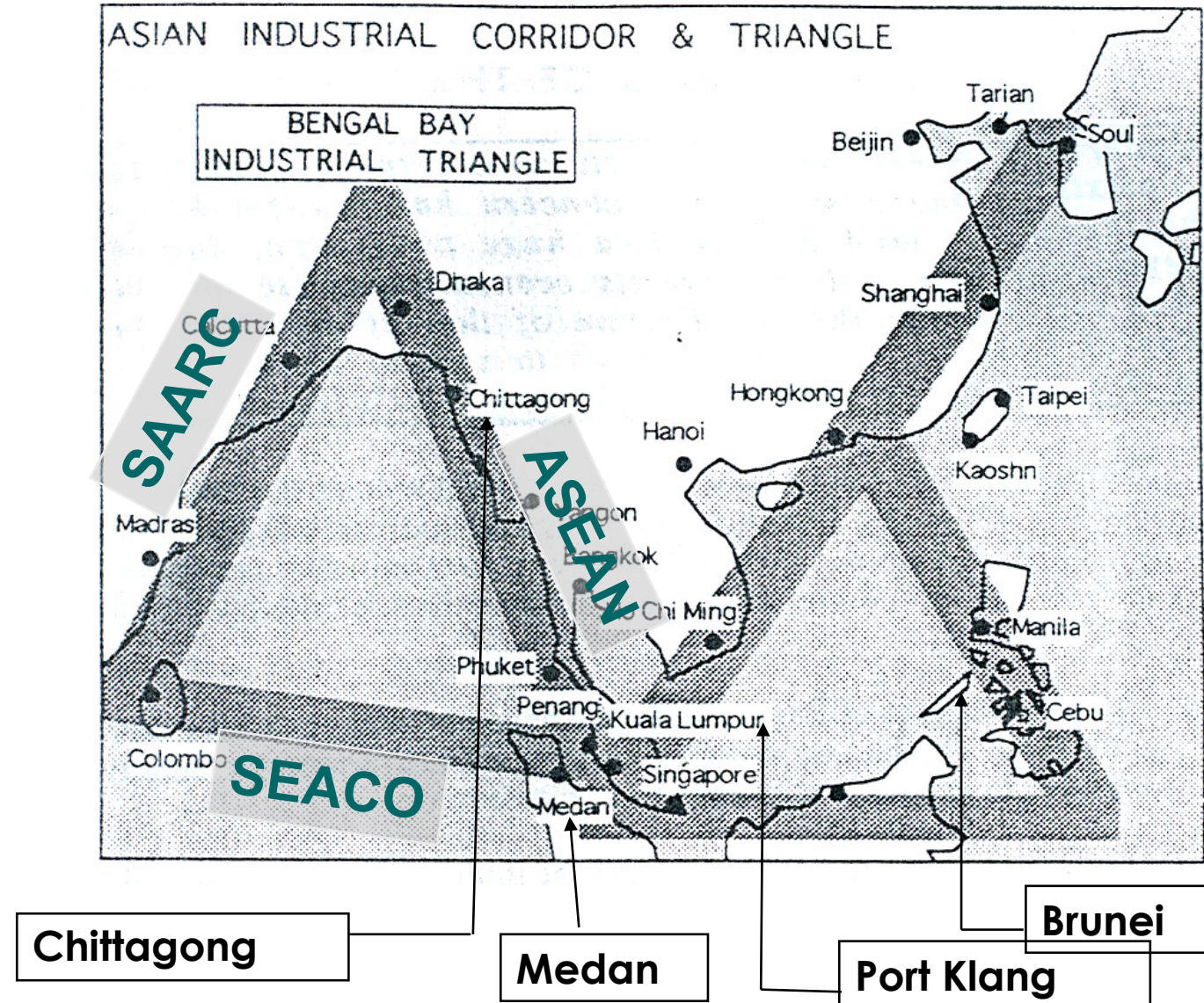
BIG-B Initiative (The Bay of Bengal Industrial Growth Belt)

Accelerate industrial agglomeration in Dhaka-Matarbari belt and beyond
To shape a value chain hub for South Asia and Southeast Asia

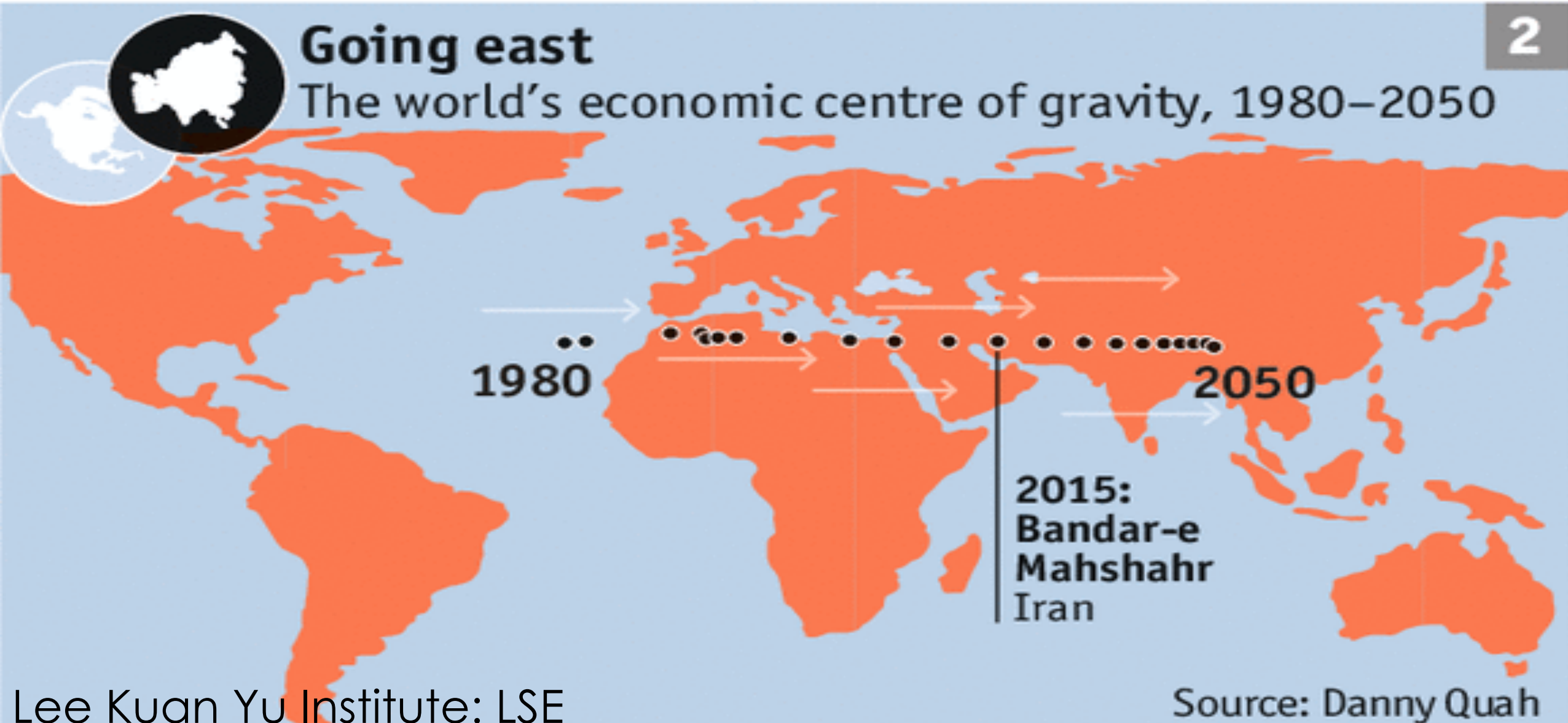
Energy & Power	Supplying reliable energy & power for industries
Transport	Fostering connectivity as a regional node and hub
Investment Climate	Promoting domestic & foreign direct investment
Others	Enhancing sustainable socio economic development



Asian Industrial Corridors and Triangles



Economic Centre of Gravity



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