

Inaugural ASEAN+3 Fiscal Policy and Management Exchange (AFPME) Capacity Building Workshop 2025

October 27-28, 2025 | Dalian, China



AMRO, in partnership with the Chinese Academy of Fiscal Sciences (CAFS), a member of the [ASEAN+3 Financial Think-tank Network](#) (AFTN), successfully co-hosted the ASEAN+3 Fiscal Policy and Management Exchange (AFPME) Capacity Building Workshop in Dalian, China, on October 27-28, 2025.

Supported by the China Technical Assistance Trust Fund at AMRO, this inaugural workshop is one of the key activities under the AFPME—a new platform launched this year for ASEAN+3 members to exchange views, share experiences, and strengthen collaboration on fiscal policy issues.

Following the first high-level Fiscal Policy Exchange among ASEAN+3 finance ministers held in May, the AFPME workshop served as a technical counterpart. It facilitated in-depth knowledge sharing and case study discussions on policy responses to key challenges, such as promoting growth while maintaining fiscal sustainability, addressing population aging, and ensuring debt sustainability.

In their opening remarks, AMRO Deputy Director Abdurrohman and CAFS Vice President Li Xing underscored the need for knowledge and experience exchange on fiscal policies in today's uncertain environment. Mr. Abdurrohman stressed the pivotal role of fiscal policy in cushioning economic and social shocks and navigating structural shifts. He emphasized that mutual learning and discussing good practices is now more important than ever, noting that it improves individual capacities and strengthens resilience and policy coherence across the region. Mr. Dan Li, Vice Mayor of Dalian, expressed strong support for the workshop at the welcome dinner.

The workshop gathered around 40 participants, including officials from ASEAN+3 finance ministries, researchers from think tanks, and experts from the International Monetary Fund, Asian Development Bank Institute, China Export & Credit Insurance Corporation, AMRO, and CAFS. In addition to technical discussions, a site visit to Dalian Iceberg and Wisdom Valley provided insights into the region's economic development and offered additional networking opportunities.

The workshop exemplified AMRO's joint capacity-building efforts with its AFTN partners, charting a new path for the implementation of its Technical Assistance Strategy 2030, which aims to strengthen regional collaboration and growth.

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