

NEWSLETTER

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NEWS FLASH: AUSTRALIA **WATERFRONT CITY SERIES**

A new set of Great Waterfront City Series scheduled in Q1 of 2026 by HTDA will introduce three iconic Australian cities, Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane. Cities built out of humble beginning near water have evolved into urban centres with impressive skylines.

NEWS FLASH: THAILAND **NEW TOWNSHIP PLANNING**

HTDA has worked in a business partnership with a landowner group that owns a large track of land area near the Kaeng Krachan National Park in western Thailand. The vision is to create a themed township project with integration of multiple land uses.

NEWS FLASH: INDONESIA **NEW INDUSTRIAL ESTATES**

A development feasibility study is in negotiation with a landowner in western edge of Metro Jakarta region which would envision into a new industrial and logistic hub. The project will be in search for financial collaboration with other interested investors & industrial stakeholders.



LIAISON OFFICE OPENED IN BANGKOK

HTDA officially established a liaison office in Bangkok, Thailand on 1st of December, 2025, with the intent to establish a marketing presence in Thailand, the second largest economy inside the ASEAN Region. The office is strategically located in thei Khun Thian District of Bangkok with easy connection to Rama II and Kanchanaphisek Roads, the outer ring road around Metro Bangkok Region.

Urban Centres with Australia Identities

Urban design in Australia mainly focuses on creating productive, sustainable, and liveable cities through integrated planning, guided by frameworks like the National Urban Design Protocol that prioritize people, public spaces, and quality development. Key themes include walkability, heritage, social cohesion, and integrating design with infrastructure for a unique Australian urban character. Three major urban centres in Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane have been developed with proximity to rivers and ocean, where as the urban density grows overtime to create distinctive urban waterfront identity with underlying social and historic fabrics that are uniquely catered to Australia.



ASEAN NEWS

47th ASEAN Summit Concluded in Kuala Lumpur

The Philippines Assumes 2026 ASEAN Chairmanship

The After four consecutive days of meetings, the 47th ASEAN Summit and Related Summits drew to a close. Secretary-General of ASEAN, Dr. Kao Kim Hourn, witnessed the handover of the ASEAN Chairmanship from Malaysia to the Philippines during the Closing Ceremony of the 47th ASEAN Summit and Related Summits held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The Philippines will commence its Chairmanship of ASEAN on 1st January 2026, under the visionary theme "Navigating Our Future Together."



"Navigating Our Future Together"

REGIONAL WATCH: ASEAN ECONOMY HEAD INTO 2026 ON A STRONG NOTE: [THE BUSINESS TIMES \(COPYRIGHT ARTICLE\)](#), BY HENG KOON HOW, DECEMBER 20, 2025

Investors' initial fears of a trade-tariff induced export and growth slowdown in 2025 proved unfounded. Instead, regional economies - particularly Malaysia and Singapore - registered strong growth and activity into year-end. Three factors resulted in this surprising positive turn for ASEAN economies despite many obvious regional economic obstacles and challenges, 1) Resilience and strength in regional export sectors; 2) Regional currencies defy expectations, and 3) Benign inflation trajectory across the region.

Weblink: <https://www.businesstimes.com.sg/opinion-features/asean-economies-head-2026-strong-note>

Country WATCH: Work Begins on Arena and New Tower at Singapore's Marina Bay Sands: [Australian Leisure Management](#), (COPYRIGHT ARTICLE), JULY 16, 2025

Work has commenced on a US\$8 billion expansion of Singapore's Marina Bay Sands that, when completed in 2030, will include a 15,000-seat arena and a 55-story all-suite hotel tower. The fourth tower at the complex will be linked to Marina Bay Sands' current conjoined three tower structure, while the adjacent Populous-designed arena has been designed to be Asia's best live entertainment venue, adding an additional 18,000 square meters of space for meetings, conferences and exhibitions. Positioned as an "ultra-luxury resort destination", it will include 570 all-suite hotel rooms plus 23 "signature multi-bay-mansions".

Weblink: <https://ausleisure.com/au/news/work-begins-on-new-tower-at-singapores-marina-bays>