Goal of initiative is to provide "living" datasets in support of accuracy assessment of land cover products. Sample sites will be interpreted by local experts -- and a number of people within the SEA region expressed interest in participating. The results of the analysis will be the synthesis of a "Currently best available" global land cover map. The path forward is to select the sample sites, get the imagery collected, and then hold a series of regional workshops to train the local experts for the necessary interpretation. This is an initiative from the LC IT, and will involve all the regional networks.