
**SOUTHEAST ASIA PLAYS CRITICAL ROLE IN GLOBAL ENERGY TRANSITION:
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Southeast Asia is set to be a driving force of global energy trends, said Sue-Ern Tan, head of the International Energy Agency's (IEA) Regional Cooperation Centre.

This comes as the region is projected to account for 25 per cent of the rise in energy demand over the next decade, fuelled by a growing population and economic expansion.

We see the need to really think about how we meet that energy demand growth that is so necessary for this region in a secure way, an affordable way and, where possible, in a clean way, Ms Tan told CNA on Wednesday (Mar 26).

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