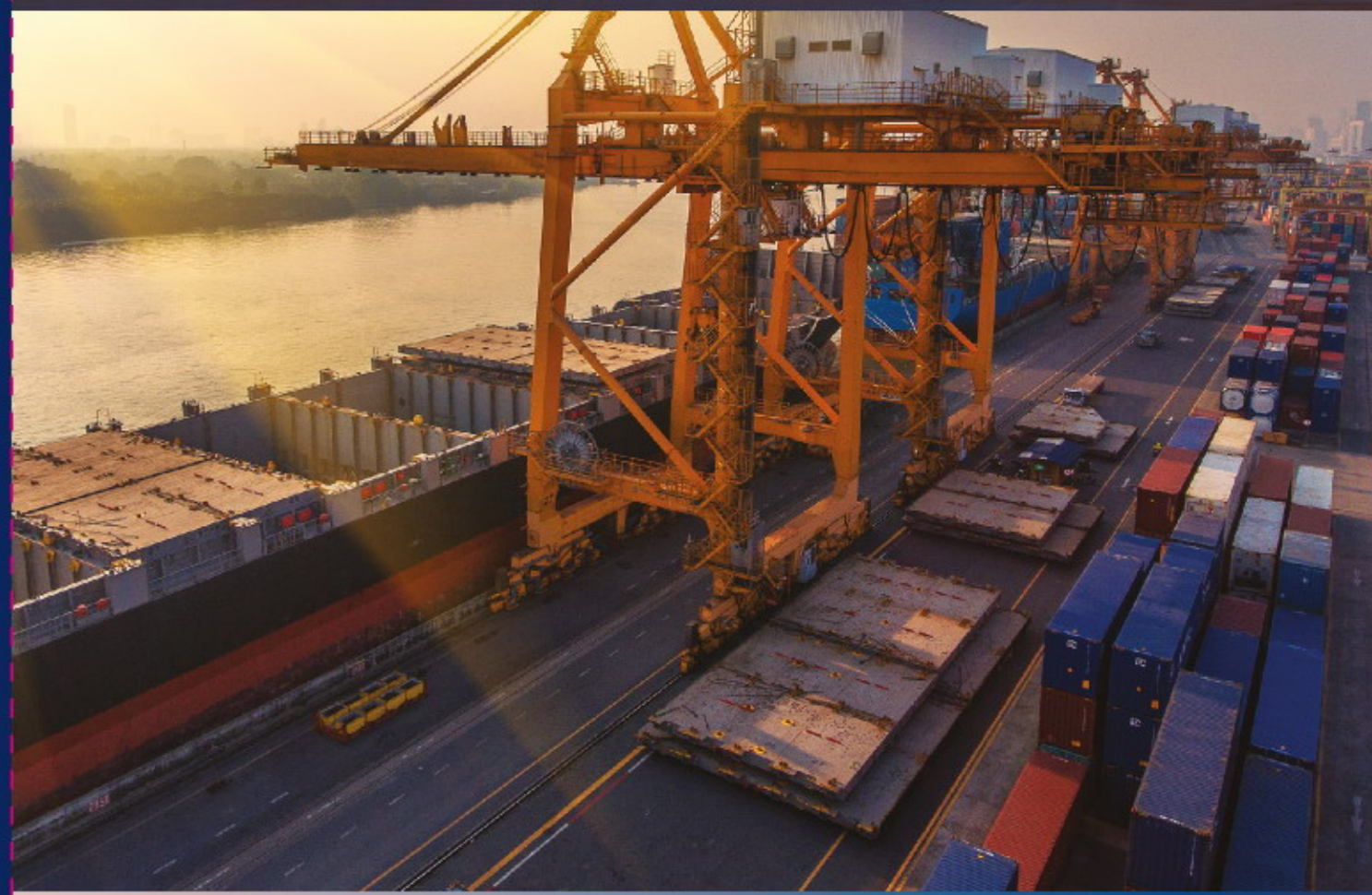




# EEC

Gateway to Asia





An exciting, large-scale  
new investment opportunity  
for sustained success  
in the future

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EASTERN ECONOMIC CORRIDOR

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## EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION

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Asia has become the crucial driving force for the world's investment and economic growth. The key players are China, India, Japan, South Korea and ASEAN with a combined population of more than 3.5 billion, constituting 32% of the world's GDP.

Thailand is at the centre of the Asia's economic groups from north to south, starting with China, on through Indonesia and from east to west starting with Vietnam, on to Myanmar. Being centrally positioned at the heart of rapidly growing countries such as Cambodia, Myanmar, Laos and Vietnam, Thailand is the AEC's (Asian Economic Community's) key strategic location for manufacturing, trading, export, and logistics.

Thailand is therefore the best location for investment in ASEAN with comprehensive logistic connections to Asian countries and the world.



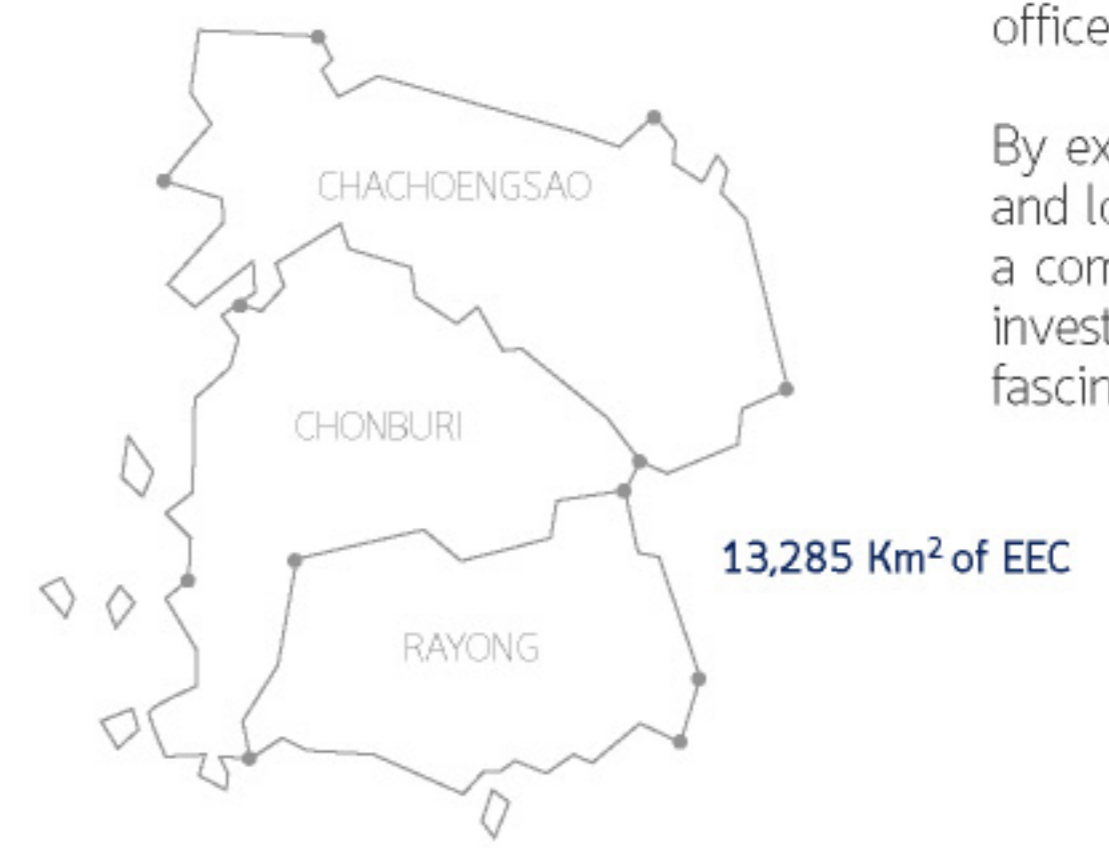
## EXCELLENT FACILITIES

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For over 30 years, Thailand's Eastern Seaboard has been connected with businesses from around the world and served as the region's centre of trade and investment. It has also been recognized as the prime location for major industrial manufacturers.

Today we are creating new business opportunities for investors of future industries by becoming the industrial hub of the future and the regional office location for the world's top companies.

By expanding and developing the transportation and logistics systems, our new facilities will be a comprehensive business centre for trade, investment, and logistics as well as the most fascinating tourist attraction in Asia.



## THE HIGH-SPEED TRAIN

New high-speed trains will link the 3 main international airports: Don Muang, Suvarnabhumi and U-Tapao, for greater convenience, reduced travel time and saving costs.



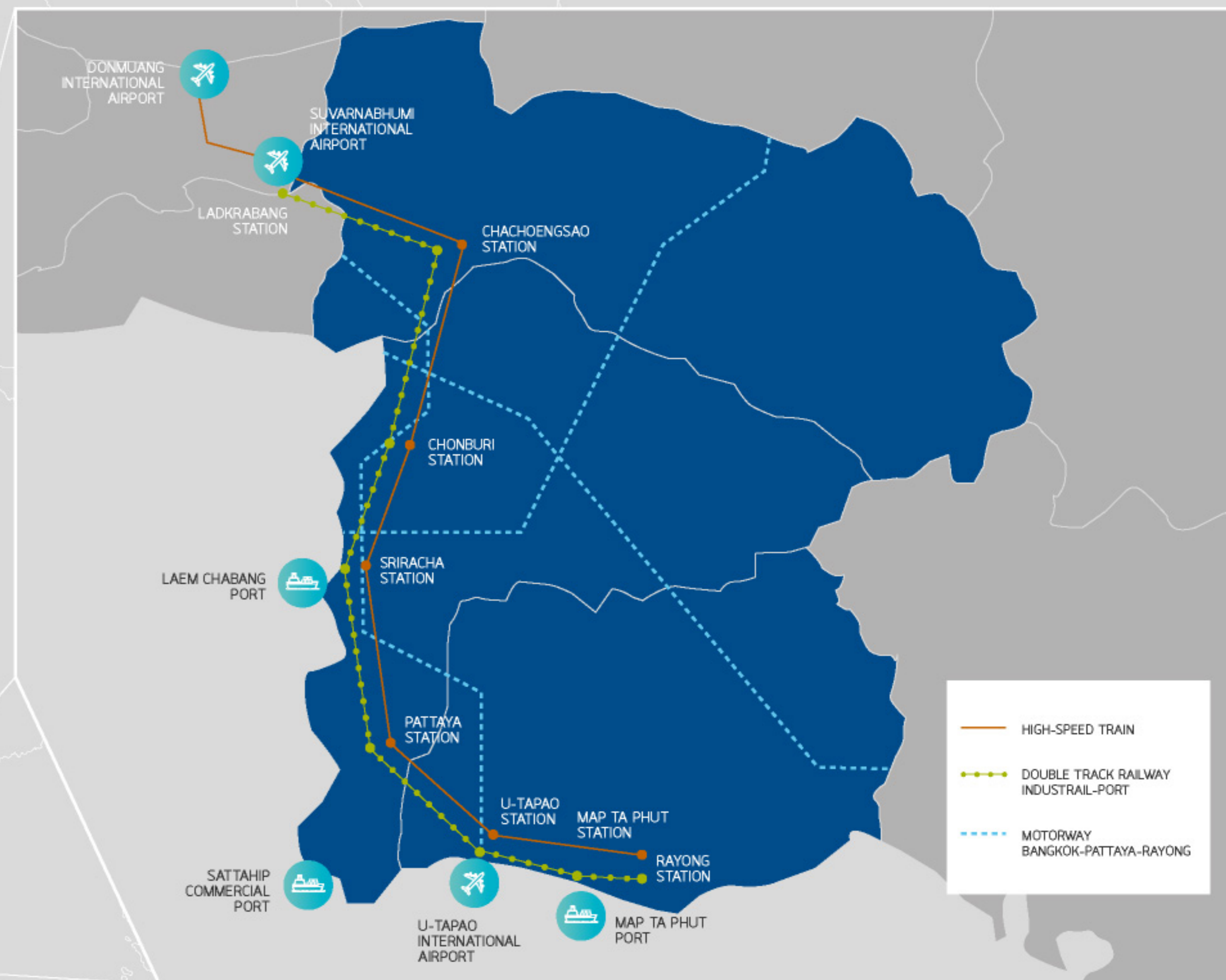
## THE DOUBLE-TRACK RAIL LINES

The double-track rail lines will connect industrial zones nationwide. It also connects to Laem Chabang, Map Ta Phut, and our new Sattahip deep sea port.



## THE MOTORWAY

The motorway connecting Bangkok to Rayong will be extended and expanded to carry heavier traffic capacity.



# U-TAPAO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

DEFENSE RESEARCH INDUSTRY RESEARCH CENTRE

MEDICAL & EDUCATION ZONE

NAVY'S MASTERPLAN DEVELOPMENT ZONE

COMMERCIAL GATEWAY

COMMUNITY PARK AND RETAIL

MIXED USE

FREIGHT RAIL YARD

FREE TRADE ZONE

CARGO HANDLING

MAINTENANCE REPAIR AND OVERHAUL

AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

UTILITY SYSTEM

AIRPORT OPERATIONS

## U-TAPAO AIRPORT

The U-Tapao airport has evolved to become an international airport with runways of world-class standard and modern passenger terminals to not only welcome, once completed, over 30 million business travelers and tourists every year but to also support a fast-growing logistics industry. The expansion has transformed the airport to become the hub for the most advanced aircraft repair centre and facilities for other related airline industries.

Once it is integrated with Don Muang Airport and Suvarnabhumi Airport's capabilities, Thailand will become the centre hub of air traffic in Asia.



# AVIATION HUB

## MRO

### (MAINTENANCE REPAIR AND OVERHAUL)

This area is currently under development to be the state-of-the-art hub for aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul, offering faster, modern and environmentally-friendly services. In addition, our maintenance teams have long experience in servicing aircrafts for over 55 years. When combined with advanced technologies such as RFID (Radio Frequency Identification), COBOT and DRONE capable of servicing Airbus A380/A350 and A320/B737, we are set to become the most advanced MRO centre in the region.



## TRAINING CENTRE

In order to supply sufficient skilled personnel to meet the growing demands of the aviation industry of the future, we have continued to provide support and developed the R&D centre, as well as the aviation training and certification centre for skilled technicians and maintenance engineers under close supervision by our experienced staff, therefore ensuring quality and efficiency in accordance with the international aviation standards.



## SUPPLY CHAIN

With the geographical advantage of Thailand, being the world's central gateway to Asia, it is only natural that we focus on becoming the ASEAN capital of the aviation industry.

The combined area of 4,000 acres consists of the MRO centre, the R&D centre, the aviation training centre for skilled technicians and maintenance engineers.

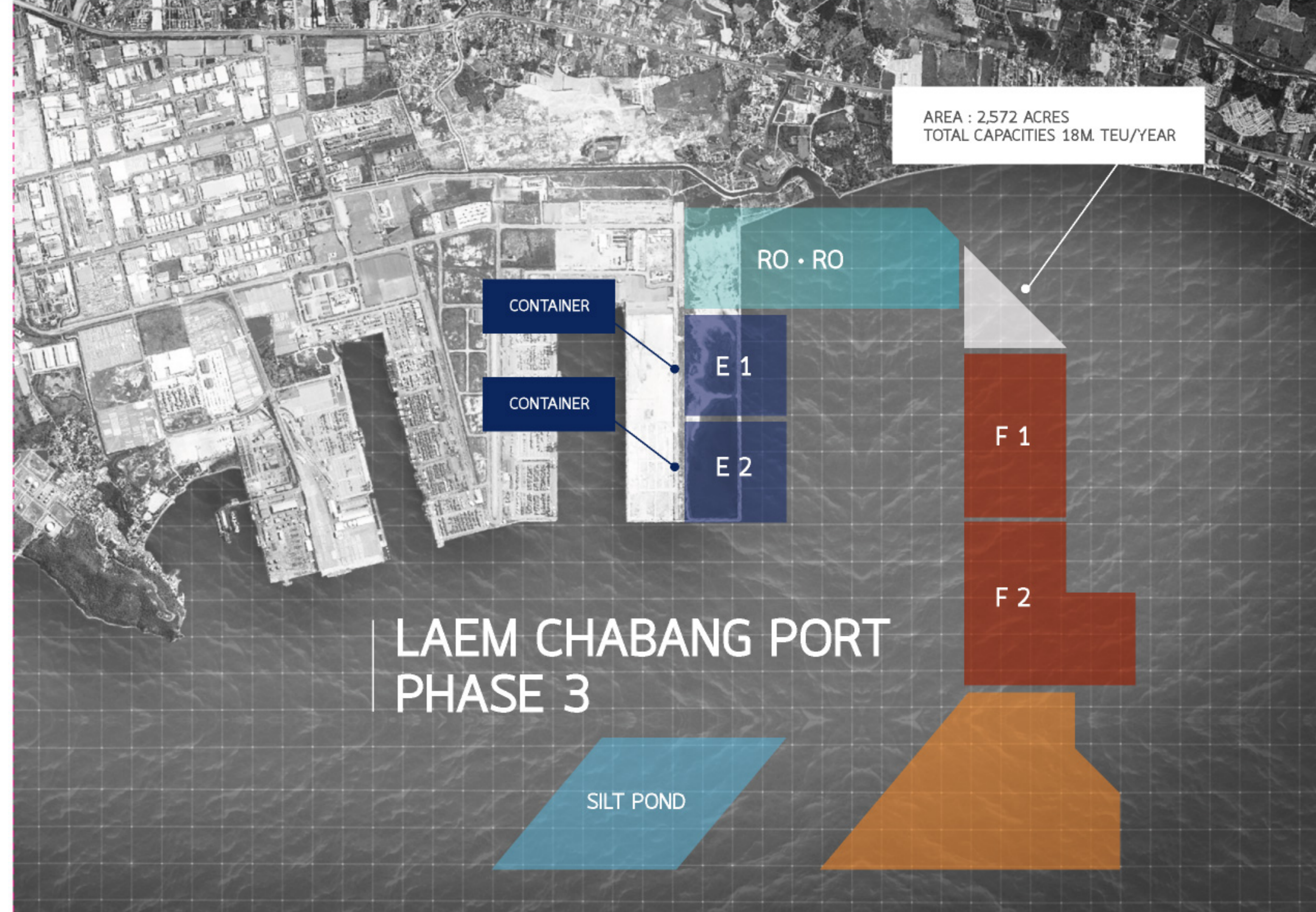
Linked with existing aviation parts industry in the area, additional investments will create a comprehensive supply chain to serve the aviation industry.





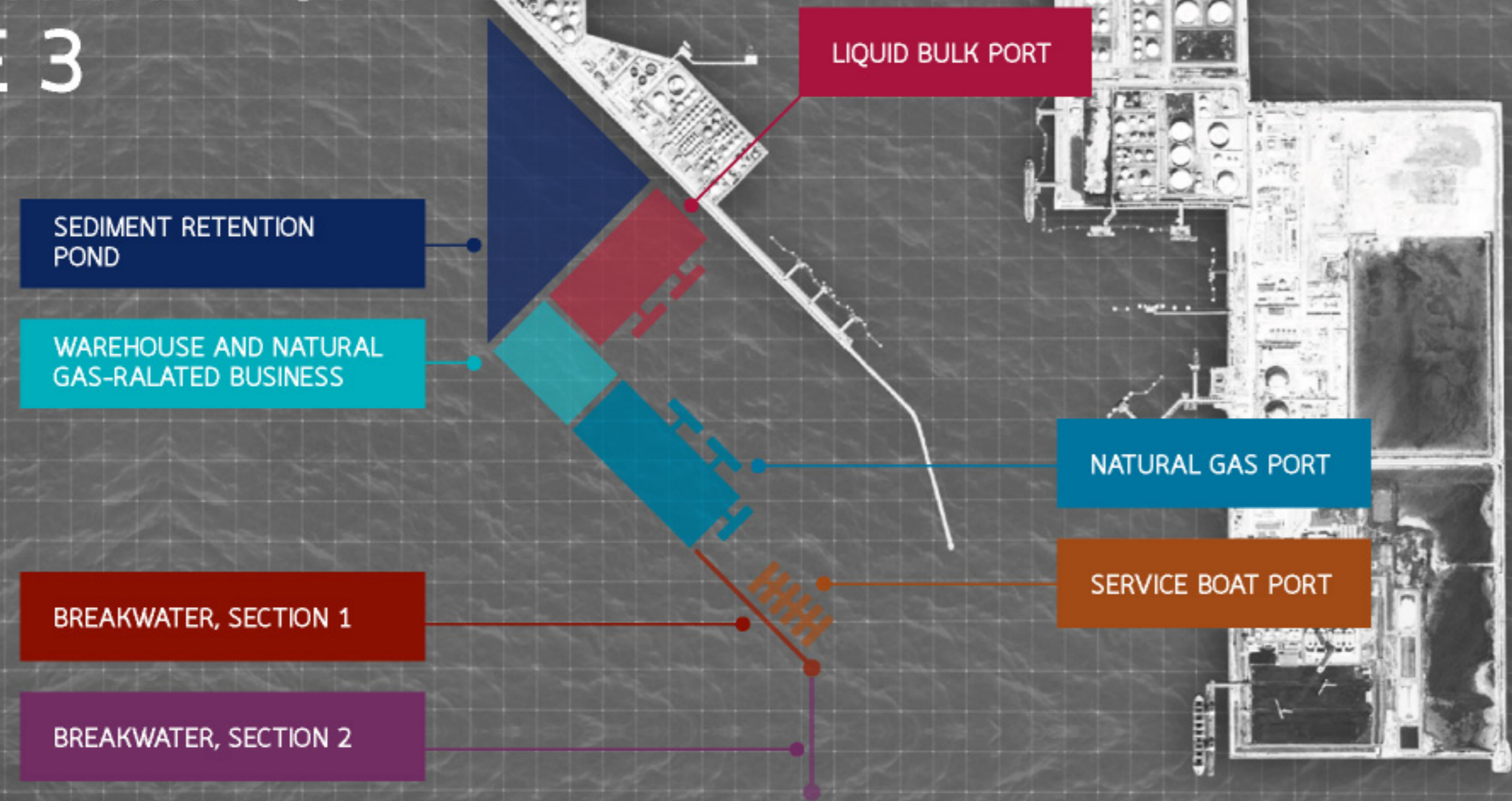
## LAEM CHABANG PORT PHASE 3

Laem Chabang Port is Thailand's main port for handling containers and export of cars. It is undergoing expansion, lifting its capacity to handle over 18 million TEU containers per year and 3 million cars per year. With this enhancement, the port will become one of the world's top 15 ports and ASEAN's most important distribution and logistics centre for Indochina and ASEAN.



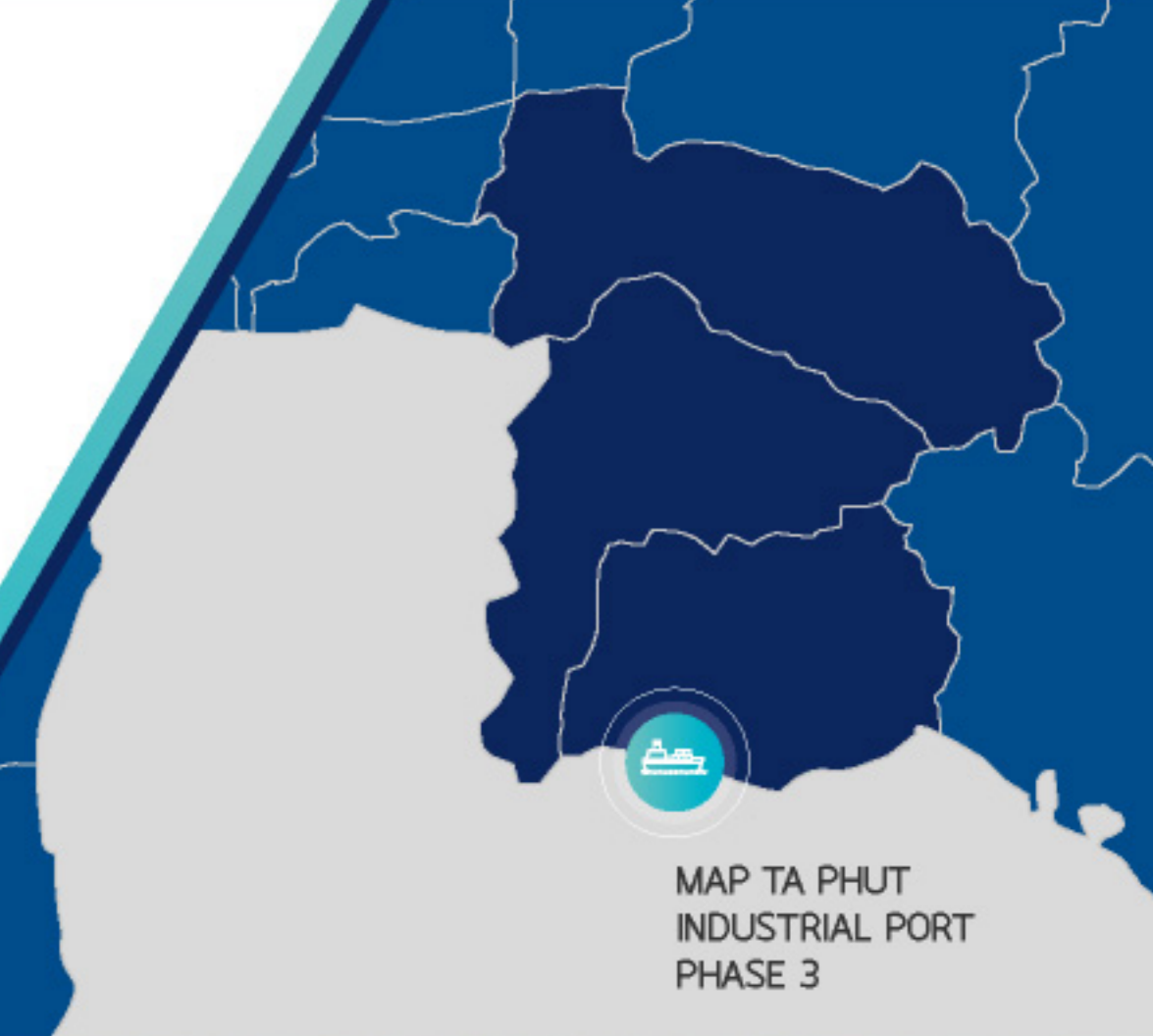


# MAP TA PHUT INDUSTRIAL PORT PHASE 3



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This port handles liquid materials and natural gas, which is the main fuel of electricity production. The liquid petroleum products also supports advanced petrochemical industries in Thailand.



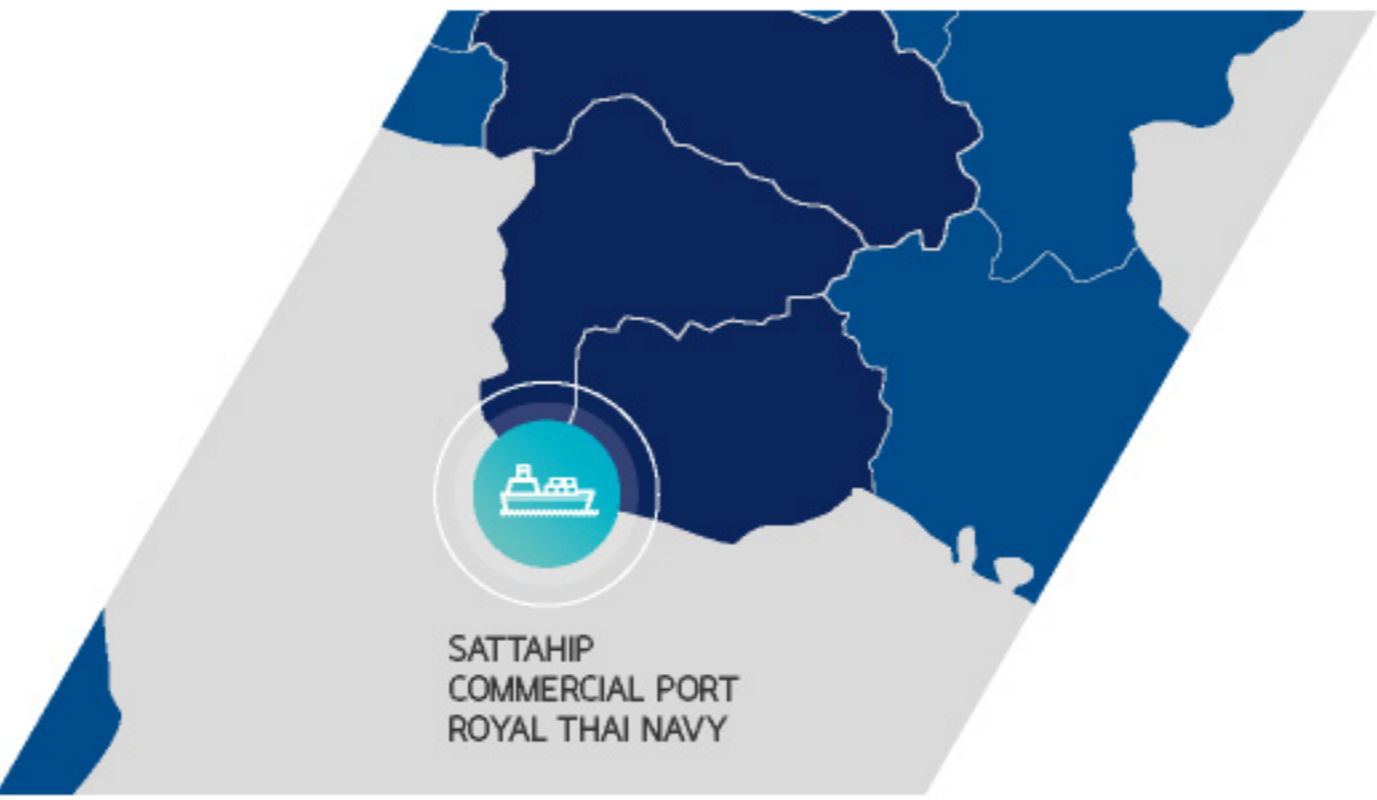
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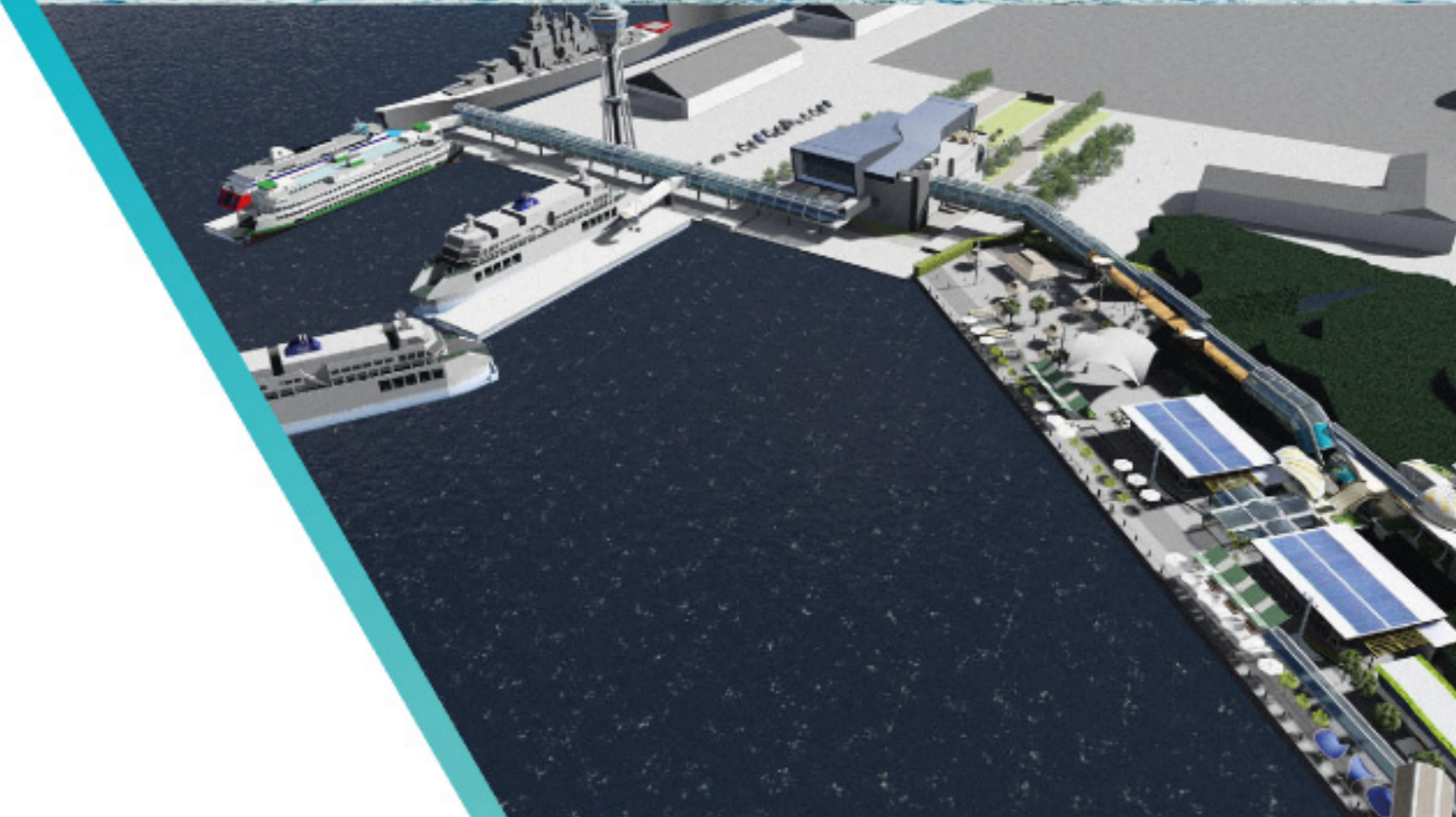
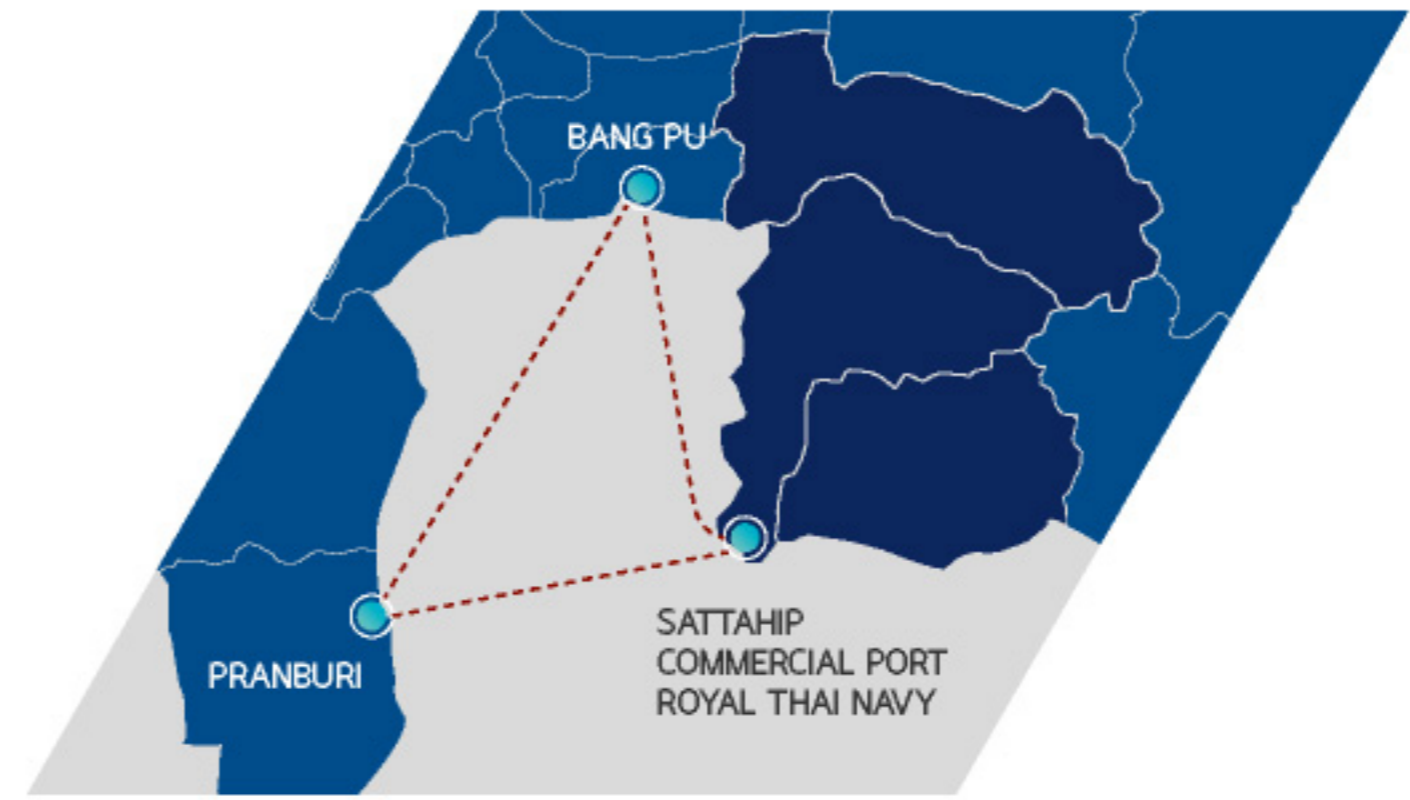
## SATTAHIP COMMERCIAL PORT

Recent transformations means this port can facilitate world-class modern cruise ships. It also supports a successful shipbuilding industry and oil rig assembly.



## FERRY PORT

This is the first ferry port designed to connect both sides of the Gulf of Thailand, aimed at boosting the fast-growing tourism industry in the area and reduce transportation time.



# PROMOTING, REINFORCING AND DEVELOPING 10 MAJOR INDUSTRIES

**The First 5 S-Curve Industries,**  
aimed at boosting competitiveness to our existing areas of strengths through technology and innovation comprise of:

- 01 The next-generation automotive industry
- 02 The intelligent electronics industry
- 03 Advanced agriculture and biotechnology enterprises
- 04 Food processing industries
- 05 Tourism



**5 New S-Curve Industries,**  
incorporate new growth industries that compliments, supplements, and synergizes our industrial base.

- 01 Advance robotics for industrial and domestic use
- 02 An integrated aviation industry including repair hangars, spare parts production and training facilities at the U-Tapao Airport
- 03 Medical hub and total healthcare services
- 04 Biofuels and biochemical industries
- 05 Digital technology industries



## INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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Multinational headquarters provide the following services: strategic business planning, raw material and parts procurement, product R&D, technical support, marketing support, human resources and training, business advisory services, conducting economic analyses, and planning regional investment.

## INTERNATIONAL TRADING COMPANIES

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Trading Centres facilitate cross-border trading for procurement, storage, packaging, logistics, insurance and also advisory services for technical and product assistance.

## TREASURY/ FINANCIAL CENTRES

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Treasury Centres engage in liquidity and foreign currency management for groups of companies, located both in Thailand and abroad, overseeing regional payment and collection, FX transaction and risk management, as well as funding.



## EASTERN ECONOMIC CORRIDOR OF INNOVATION (EECi)

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The EECi will be the inspirational heart in developing and upgrading of the EEC Special Economic Zone with technology and innovation. This is aimed at creating an innovation district within the SEZ and fostering joint Research and Development projects amongst public, private sectors, universities, as well as local communities.

This should result in further development and upgrades of industries not limited to those in the special economic zone but all across the country. The predominant objective is to inspire Thailand to becoming an innovative country.

Moreover, the government will create a regulatory environment that relaxes laws and regulations related to invention and innovation as well as train current workforce and specialized experts in order to increase the capability of integrating technology and innovation into manufacturing and service processes.



# COMPLETE LIFE

To accommodate the influx of people and tourists, four new cities will be strategically developed to be green cities, providing modern residential areas, a quality lifestyle and in harmony with the local culture and nature. These cities are Chachoengsao, Pattaya, Rayong and a new metropolitan located along new transportation routes.

Equal emphasis will be given to the development of soft infrastructure as to hard infrastructure. Education, healthcare, internet access, water and electricity, public transportation will be standardized and upgraded, leading to an exceptional quality of life even by global standards.

Together with Business Hub and tourism infrastructure development, local and foreigners alike will find the ideal work-life balance, for themselves and their family.



# PRIVILEGES

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## Maximum incentives for qualified investment projects

- **Exemption of corporate income tax for up to 15 Years**
- **Exemption of import duties**  
on machinery/ raw or essential materials imported for use in production for export/ goods for R&D.
- **Matching Grants**  
for Investment/ R&D/ Innovation/ Human Resources Development for Targeted Industries.
- **Permission to own land for BOI promoted projects**
- **Rights to state's land lease for 50 years**  
renewable upon approval for a further 49 years.
- **15% personal income tax rate, the lowest rate in ASEAN**  
for foreign executives working for regional headquarters or international trading companies, treasury centres, along with regional R&D centres.
- **One-stop service center to facilitate foreign investors**  
provide useful information, and issue permits for trading, export and import all in one location.
- **Five-year work visa issuance**  
to attract investors, experts and scientists from around the world.

These major changes embody the strong determination of the royal Thai government in reinforcing the existing foundation and create sustainable business growth with the best mutual benefits for investors, Thailand and all Thai people. This is truly the change for a brighter future for all.





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