



– Program Agenda –

**2010 AECEN REGIONAL FORUM:
*Promoting Replication of Best Practices in
Environmental Compliance and Enforcement***

**The Kyoto Hotel Okura
Kyoto, Japan
10-12 November 2010**

DAY 1: 10 NOVEMBER 2010

FORUM OPENING

Forum Chairperson: Ms. Elisea (Bebet) Gozun, former Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines

5:30 – 6:00 Registration (Apollon Sky Banquet Room)

6:00 – 6:20 Welcoming Remarks

Mr. Toshihiro Nakai
Director
Culture and Environment Department
Kyoto Prefectural Government

Mr. Toshiaki Tsubouchi
Director General
Environment Policy Bureau
City of Kyoto

6:20 – 6:40 Opening Remarks

Mr. Soichiro Seki
Director General for Water Environment, Environmental Management Bureau
Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ)

Mr. Tseming Yang
Deputy General Counsel for International Affairs
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

6:40 – 6:50 Introductory Remarks

Dr. Supat Wangwongwatana
Director General, Pollution Control Department, Thailand
Chair, AECEN Executive Committee

6:50 – 7:20 **Keynote Address: *Replicating Innovation and Bringing New Initiatives to Scale Up Lessons Learned from Japanese Experience and IGES Contribution to Cooperative Activities in Asia and the Pacific***

Prof. Hironori Hamanaka
Chair, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)

The keynote presents importance of replication and scale up of innovation as critical for addressing global, regional as well as local environmental challenges. While there have been advances in piloting new ideas and initiatives, without widespread adoption of innovation, there will be no chance of overcoming urgent challenges. The Keynote begins by making references to lessons learned from Japan's experience in combating environmental pollution as well as raising energy efficiency, and in environmental technology R&D that contributed to strengthen international competitiveness of manufacturing industries, followed by elaboration on new approaches through regional networks, and bilateral- and multilateral-cooperation to promote information sharing on good practices and their success factors, and to assist their diffusion, replication and scale up.

7:20 – 7:30 **AECEN 2010 Award Presentation: *Commitment and Outstanding Service by a Woman***

Presenters: Prof. Akio Morishima
 Chairman, Japan Climate Policy Center
 Special Research Advisor for IGES
 Member, 2010 Award Selection Panel

Hon. Justice Vijender Jain
Former Chief Justice, Punjab and Haryana High Court
Member, 2010 Award Selection Panel

Recipient: Ms. Yoko Maki
 Planner and Senior Director, Environment Bureau, Kawasaki City

7:30 – 8:30 **Dinner**

Reception hosted by the Ministry of Environment Japan and
Institute for Global Environmental Strategies

Dress Code: Business attire/National attire

DAY 2: 11 NOVEMBER 2010

8:30 – 9:00 Registration (Gyoun South Ballroom)

9:00 – 9:10 Forum Objectives

Ms. Elisea (Bebet) Gozun
AECEN Secretariat

9:10 – 9:30 AECEN Approaches and Ways Forward in Promoting Replication of Best Practices

Dr. Peter King
Head, AECEN Secretariat

9:30 – 10:45 Innovative Practices on Environmental Compliance and Enforcement in Japan

Moderator: Mr. Hideyuki Mori, President, IGES

Presenters: *Policy Development in Japan's Environmental Legislation*
Mr. Soichiro Seki, Deputy Director General, Environment Management Bureau, MOEJ

Using Pollution Control Agreements to Transform Kawasaki into an Eco-City
Ms. Yoko Maki, Planner and Senior Director, Environment Bureau, Kawasaki City

Best Practices in Environmental Dispute Resolution
Mr. Katsuhiko Naito, Examiner, Environmental Dispute Coordination Commission
Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

JICA's Efforts for Capacity Development of Environmental Management in Asia
Mr. Shinya Ejima, Director General, Global Environment Department
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

Session Objectives and Format: Share information on innovative solutions and best practices on environmental compliance and enforcement in Japan. Moderator provides an introduction on IGES and overview of efforts to promote improved environmental governance in Japan and the region as the new AECEN Secretariat, and panelists make 15-minute presentations on their approaches followed by Q&A.

10:45–11:00 Break

11:00 – 11:15 Recognition of AECEN Twinning Mentor Agencies

Presenter: Dr. Supat Wangwongwattana, Chair, AECEN Executive Committee

Recipients: Mr. Mark Gifford, Australia New South Wales Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water
Mr. Soichiro Seki, Environment Management Bureau, MOEJ
Mr. Lee Heng Keng, Malaysia Department of Environment
Mr. Tan Quee Hong, Singapore National Environment Agency
Mr. Tseming Yang, U.S. EPA

11:15 – 12:30	AECEN Twinning Partnerships: Replicating Best Practices through Direct Member-to-Member Cooperation
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Moderator: Mr. Paul Violette, AECEN Secretariat

Panelists: *Malaysia – Nepal: Strengthening EIA Practices in the Hydropower Sector in Nepal*
Ms. Madhu Ghimire, Ministry of Environment, Nepal

Japan – China: Promoting Effective Implementation of China’s Energy Efficiency Law
Dr. Gu Alun, Tsinghua University, China

Australia – Vietnam: Strengthening Capabilities for Self-monitoring, Reporting and Recordkeeping in Ho Chi Minh City
Ms. Đỗ Hoàng Oanh, Dept. of Natural Resources and Environment, Ho Chi Minh City

Australia – Thailand: Promoting Improved Court Policies and Practices on the Environment
Hon. Justice Winai Ruangsri, Supreme Court of Thailand

Session Objectives and Format: Provide background on the AECEN approach to replication of best practices through twinning partnerships, highlighting effectiveness of the approach. Moderator provides brief overview, and panelists make 15-minute presentations, followed by Q&A together with mentor agency responses.

12:30 – 2:00 **Lunch (Orizzonte Restaurant, 17th Floor)**

2:00 – 3:00	Network Approaches to Promoting Regional Replication of Best Practices in Sustainable Development
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Moderator: Mr. Masanori Kobayashi, IGES

Presenters: *Rapid Replication of Best Practices through City-to-City Partnerships*
Mr. Toshizo Maeda, IGES

Leveraging National Chapters and Country Partnerships
Ms. Bebet Gozun, Clean Air Initiative – Asia

Global Replication by Linking Regional Networks
Mr. Ken Markowitz, INECE

Peer Exchange through Communities of Practice and the Internet
Ms. Wanida Wanichpongpan, SDPlanNet

Session Objectives and Format: Share information on strategies by regional networks and other organizations in promoting replication and scale up of best practices in sustainable development by deploying and implementing various tools. Moderator provides a brief overview of efforts by IGES and others to leverage networks and other mechanisms to promote rapid replication and scale up of innovation, and panelists make 10-minute presentations on their approaches followed by Q&A.

3:00 – 4:30	Simultaneous Workshops: Improving AECEN Approaches and Tools for Promoting Replication by Expanding Member Involvement and Ownership
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Session Objectives and Format: Identify ways for the AECEN Secretariat and Members to strengthen AECEN tools and strategies for replicating innovation. In each session, facilitators will frame discussion based on a review of how each tool is currently used being applied. Groups select a rapporteur to report on discussions.

Guide Questions:

- *How is AECEN using key replication tools and approaches (description of approach, process and status)?*
- *How can the approach or tool be strengthened to promote improved replication of best practices?*
- *How can the approach or tool be strengthened to promote increased AECEN Member involvement and ownership?*

Output: List of recommendations for each key approach or tool.

Workshop A: Strengthening Member-to-Member Twinning
Venue: Take Room Facilitator: Mr. Paul Violette, AECEN Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review twinning process and approach • Identify strengths and challenges in implementing twinning partnerships • Discuss ways to improve or further leverage twinning partnerships to promote replication
Workshop B: Establishing Effective AECEN Member Task Forces
Venue: Matsu Room Facilitator: Dr. Peter King, AECEN Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on results of Member consultation on establishing task forces • Identify on possible functions and outputs of member task forces • Identify working methods to ensure effective operation of task forces
Workshop C: Leveraging the AECEN Regional Forum
Venue: Gyoum South (part A) Facilitator: Ms. Bebet Gozun, AECEN Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review AECEN forum objectives and activities related to replication • Identify challenges and gaps in the forum in promoting replication • Identify new ways to improve forum that leverage member capabilities and to strengthen replication of best practices
Workshop D: Making the AECEN Website Interactive
Venue: Gyoum South (part B) Facilitator: Ms. Milag Ballesteros, AECEN Secretariat
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on new features and capabilities in the AECEN website as a mechanism for dissemination and replication of best practices • Discuss various ways AECEN members currently obtain information on best practices and share ideas for new ways to obtain information • Identify and prioritize new features that AECEN can develop for the website to facilitate effective sharing by leveraging increased member inputs

*** Coffee/ Tea will be available at 3:45 - 4:30 (working break)**

DAY 3: 12 NOVEMBER 2010

8:30 – 9:00 Registration (Gyoun South Ballroom)

Forum Chairperson: Ms. Elisea (Bebet) Gozun, former Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines

9:00 – 10:00 Announcing New AECEN Twinning Partnerships for 2011

Moderator: Dr. Supat Wangwongwattana
Chair, AECEN Executive Committee

Presenters: *Advancing Effective Enforcement Strategies in India*
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and India Ministry of Environment and Forests
Mr. Vivek Wadekar, Ministry of Environment and Forests

Strengthening Tools and Skills for Soil Contamination Management in Vietnam
Korea Ministry of Environment and Vietnam Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Mr. Kweon-Ho Jeon, Ministry of Environment, Korea

Improving Compliance with EIA Requirements in Sri Lanka
China Ministry of Environmental Protection and Sri Lanka Central Environment Authority
Ms. Zhao Xinfeng, Appraisal Center for Environment and Engineering - MEP, China

Session Objectives and Format: Share good practices and mechanisms from the different mentor agencies and provide a background on the twinning partnership. Moderator provides brief overview on focus of new initiatives, and panelists make 10-minute presentations on key capabilities in twinning focus area and principal elements of twinning partnership, followed by Q&A.

10:00 – 11:00 Replication Road Map: Workshop Results and Recommendations

Moderator: Dr. Peter King, AECEN Secretariat

Presenters: Workshop Rapporteurs

Session Objectives and Format: Share results of workshop discussions, focusing on recommendations to ensure more effective replication of good practices in compliance and enforcement by leveraging expanded Member involvement and ownership. Presenters make 10-minute presentations followed by Q&A.

11:00 – 11:15 Break

11:15 – 12:15 Identifying Specific Member Contributions to the Network

Moderators: Dr. Peter King, AECEN Secretariat
Ms. Bebet Gozun, AECEN Secretariat

Session Objectives and Format: Identify member contributions to network efforts to promote replication of best practice across the region. Based on the “road map” from the previous session, facilitators help lead discussions centered on a menu of options through which members can contribute to strengthening the network.

12:15 – 12:45 Dialogue on Strengthening Network Cooperation

Moderator: Mr. Davis Jones, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, U.S. EPA

Discussants: Mr. Kenneth Markowitz, INECE
Mr. Mahdi Quatrameez and Mr. Adnan Zawahreh, Arab Network for Environmental Compliance and Enforcement
Mr. Mark Gifford, Australasian Environmental Law Enforcement Network
Dr. Peter King, AECEN

Session Objectives and Format: Share ideas and views on how compliance and enforcement networks can cooperate on strengthening for replication of best practices within and between regions, and on network strengthening. Moderator provides a brief overview on linkages between the different networks and facilitates the discussion.

12:45 – 1:00 Closing Messages

Mr. Winston Bowman
Environment Director, United States Agency for International Development

Dr. Supat Wangwongwattana
Chair, AECEN Executive Committee

Mr. Hideyuki Mori
President, IGES

Lunch (Orrizonte restaurant, 17th Floor)