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# Development of Environmental Sustainable Cities in Vietnam

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# National program

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1. Development of criteria for ESC for Vietnam
2. Enhancement of awareness on ESC
3. Development of legal framework on ESC

# Recent Development: national level

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## Development of ESC Criteria

- Review theoretical framework for ESC criteria
- Study environment, socio-economic, urban planning of cities
- A draft criteria set: 24 criteria
- 1st National Consultative workshop

# HỘI THẢO

XÂY DỰNG THÀNH PHỐ BỀN VỮNG VỀ MÔI TRƯỜNG Ở VIỆT NAM  
MỘT SỐ VẤN ĐỀ LÝ LUẬN VÀ THỰC TIỄN

## WORKSHOP

DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE CITIES FOR VIETNAM  
THEORY AND PRACTICE



# Recent Development: national level

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## Review legal documents related to ESC

- Socioeconomic planning
- Urban infrastructure planning
- Urban transportation
- Urban environmental management



# Recent Development: local activities

## Da Nang:

Developing model of Environmentally friendly residential areas



## Dong Thap:

Enhancing the awareness on ESC



# Challenges

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- Requirements for commitments of multiple sectors
- Lack of focus and details on ESC in current legal documents
- Limited awareness on environmental issues and ESC



# Plans for 2013-2014

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- Finalize and issue ECS criteria
- Provide guidelines for ESC awards
- Revise related legal documents
- Continue with ASEAN-Japan ESC
- Develop international collaboration to promote ESC



# Potential collaboration areas

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- Develop ESC criteria and legal framework
- Public awareness raising on ESC
- ESC Incentives: ESC awards, ecotown images
- Pilot ESC cities: start with small and medium towns first



Thank you!