

7th High Level Seminar on Environmentally Sustainable Cities



- Redesigning toward the 2030 Agenda -

- Date : 3 – 4 March 2016
- Venue : Hanoi Daewoo Hotel, Ha Noi, Viet Nam
- Organisers : Government of Viet Nam
Government of Japan
Government of Cambodia
Government of the United States
ASEAN Working Group on Environmentally Sustainable Cities
ASEAN Secretariat
- Framework : East Asia Summit Environment Ministers Meeting (EAS EMM)

Concept:

The 7th High Level Seminar on Environmentally Sustainable Cities (7HLS ESC) takes place at the dawn of the post-2015 era. This is when the world begins a fresh journey towards realising the newly-adopted global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

For seven years since 2010, the HLS seminar (<http://hls-esc.org>) has been held annually with growing scale and ground reach (through the ASEAN ESC Model Cities Programme), arriving in 2016 at a juncture for reflection and rejuvenation. The 7HLS will be a special occasion to discuss how to re-design the HLS based on the past achievements in order to better serve the region's needs for tackling both traditional and emerging challenges affecting East Asian cities.

The seminar will once again gather important 'change makers' to share knowledge and experiences, highlight exciting innovations as well as discuss the way forward for reinvigorating the 2030 Agenda on ESC cooperation to help East Asia's cities transform into greener, cleaner, climate-friendly and resilient living spaces.



Objectives:

1. Discuss and develop recommendations to the EAS Environment Ministers on **how to advance ESC regional cooperation towards the 2030 Agenda**, particularly through a re-designed 'new HLS ESC' in 2017.
2. Identify and highlight key programmes/activities of important stakeholders that could contribute to the 'new HLS ESC' and EAS ESC cooperation in the context of 2030 Agenda.
3. Showcase innovative, game-changing ESC practices/policies and technologies in the region;
4. Promote networking, cooperation and knowledge exchange among key ESC stakeholders from governments, academia, civil society, international organisations, and private sector, etc.

Participants:

National and local governments, bilateral and international development agencies, city networks, NGOs, private companies, academia and community groups.

Programme Structure: (see detailed draft programme on the next page)

	Day 1 (Thu, 3 Mar 2016)	Day 2 (Fri, 4 Mar 2016)
Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening and Agenda Setting • Plenary 1: Way Forward for ASEAN ESC Cooperation, 'New HLS ESC' and Related Initiatives towards the 2030 Agenda • Plenary 2: Deepening EAS Synergies for ESC Regional Cooperation to Realise the 2030 Agenda 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plenary 3: Day 1 Summary • Parallel Thematic A3 and B3 • Parallel Thematic A4 and B4
Noon	Lunch	
Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parallel Thematic A1 and B1 • Parallel Thematic A2 and B2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plenary 4: Re-designing the 'New HLS ESC' 2017 • Plenary 5: Adoption of Recommendations to EAS Ministers • Closing • Networking / Side Events
Evening	Welcome Dinner	

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PROGRAMME

DAY 1 (Thursday, 3 March 2016)	
08:30 – 09:00	<i>Registration</i>
09:00 – 09:30	<p>OPENING SESSION</p> <p>Opening Speech and Welcome Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Viet Nam: H.E. Dr. Vo Tuan Nhan, Vice Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Japan: H.E. Mr. Masaaki Kobayashi, Vice Minister for Global Environmental Affairs, Ministry of the Environment <p>Agenda Setting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASEAN Working Group on Environmentally Sustainable Cities (AWGESC): Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chairperson, AWGESC and Technical Deputy Director General, Ministry of Environment, Cambodia
09:30 – 09:50	<i>Photo Session and Coffee Break</i>
09:50 – 10:30	<p>PLENARY 1: WAY FORWARD FOR ASEAN ESC COOPERATION, 'NEW HLS ESC' AND RELATED INITIATIVES TOWARDS THE 2030 AGENDA</p> <p>Objective: <i>Discuss how to advance ESC regional cooperation in the post-2015 era by re-designing the HLS ESC in 2017 to be responsive and effective in addressing ASEAN's needs and priorities in line with global events and emerging trends from:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>ASEAN ESC Model Cities Programme;</i> <i>ASEAN Community 2016 – 2025;</i> <i>Localising the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);</i> <i>2015 Paris Climate Conference - COP21; and others</i> <p>Chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Japan: Prof. Ryokichi Hirono, Professor Emeritus, Seikei University Viet Nam: Dr. Do Nam Thang, Deputy Director, International Cooperation Division, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AWGESC: Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chairperson, AWGESC and Technical Deputy Director General, Ministry of Environment, Cambodia United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP): Mr. Lorenzo Santucci, Economic Affairs Officer UN-Habitat: Mr. Bruno Dercon, Senior Human Settlements Officer ASEAN Secretariat: Ms. Natalia Derodofa, Senior Officer, Environment Division Japan: Mr. Nobuhiro Kino, Director, International Cooperation Office, International Strategy Division, Global Environment Bureau, Ministry of the Environment United States: Mr. Saengroaj Srisawaskraisorn, Climate Change Adaptation Specialist, Regional Environment Office, Regional Development Mission for Asia, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
10:30 – 12:00	PLENARY 2: DEEPENING EAST ASIA'S SYNERGIES FOR ESC REGIONAL COOPERATION TO

	<p>REALISE THE 2030 AGENDA</p> <p>Objective: <i>Share the on-going and upcoming initiatives of international development organisations in the region and discuss how: (i) these initiatives help to address emerging challenges; (ii) ASEAN cities can tap into these opportunities; (iii) synergies can be achieved among initiatives to achieve greater spread, scale and impacts.</i></p> <p>Chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWGESC: Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chairperson • Japan: Prof. Ryokichi Hirono, Professor Emeritus, Seikei University <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Environment Facility (GEF): Dr. Xiaomei Tan, Climate Change Specialist • Asian Development Bank (ADB): Mr. Eric Sidgwick, Country Director, Viet Nam Resident Mission • Cities Development Initiative for Asia (CDIA): Ms. Claudia Hermes, Programme Director • Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ): Mr. Roland Haas, Programme Director • Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA): Mr. Takahiro Ikenoue, Acting Director, Office of Climate Change, Environment Management Group, Global Environment Department • United States Agency for International Development (USAID): Mr. Saengroaj Srisawaskraisorn, Climate Adaptation Specialist, Regional Environment Office • The Toyota Foundation: Mr. Ken Aoo, Group Leader / Program Officer, Group for International Grant • World Resources Institute (WRI): Mr. Amit Bhatt, Director-Transport, WRI India 	
12:00 – 12:10	<p>INTRODUCTION TO THE THEMATIC SESSIONS</p> <p><i>Chairs of the Thematic Sessions briefly introduce their sessions to the participants</i></p>	
12:10 – 13:30	<p><i>Lunch</i></p>	
13:30 – 15:00	<p>A1. Environmental Education in the Wired Age <i>Venue: Ballroom, Level 1</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CityNet: Prof. Sang-Bum Kim, former Vice Mayor of Seoul <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Corporation: Mr. Tony Newling, Asia Government Lead • Bogor, Indonesia: Drs. Herry Karnadi, M.Si., Head of General Government Administration Division, City of Bogor • Sidoarjo Regency, Indonesia: Mr. Sigit Setyawan, CityAPP Sidoarjo, Head of Public Works Department for Highway Construction and Maintenance • Mandalay, Myanmar: Dr. Thwin Kyaw Kyaw, Executive Committee Member, Mandalay City Development Committee • Yokohama, Japan: Mr. Tetsuya Nakajima, Executive Director for Development Cooperation, International 	<p>B1. Green Buildings <i>Venue: La Paix, Level 2</i></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group: Ms. Milag San Jose-Ballesteros, Regional Director for Southeast Asia and Oceania <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quezon City, Philippines: Engr. Frediswinda de Leon De Guzman, Engineer III, Green Building Unit, Department of the Building Official • Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam: Dr. Nguyen Trung Viet, Senior Advisor to the Director of Department of Natural Resources and Environment on Climate Change and International Relations, Head of Advisory Group to Climate Change Steering Board of Ho Chi Minh City • Singapore: Mr. Jonathan Cheng, Deputy Director, Green Building Policy Department, Building and Construction Authority • Iskandar Regional Development

	<p>Affairs Bureau</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korea Local Information Research and Development Institute (KLID): Dr. Sang-Baek Chris Kang, Director • UN-Habitat: Ms. Ying Gao, Habitat Partners Coordinator 	<p>Authority (IRDA), Malaysia: Ms. Shahrinaz Maamor, Associate, Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent Consultant: Mr. Nguyen Khac-Tiep, Sustainable Energy Expert, former UNIDO official
15:00 – 15:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
	<p>A2. Public Green Spaces for Tourists as well as Citizens <i>Venue: Ballroom, Level 1</i></p>	<p>B2. Transport and Green Mobility <i>Venue: La Paix, Level 2</i></p>
15:30 – 17:00	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lao PDR: Mr. Sengdara Douangmyxay, Acting Head of Urban Planning Division, Ministry of Public Works and Transport <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chiang Kian Municipality, Thailand: Mr. Danai Jaitanong, Deputy Mayor • Kohkha Municipality, Thailand: Ms. Penpuk Ratanafumku, Mayor • Krabi Municipality, Thailand: Mr. Chanarong Leelaburanapong, Deputy Mayor • Luang Prabang, Lao PDR: Mr. Phoumy Ophetsane, Vice Governor • Da Nang, Viet Nam: Ms. Nguyen Thi Thu Ha, Vice Head • Siem Reap, Cambodia: Mr. Oeun Pov, Vice Governor • Singapore: Ms. Wendy Yap, Deputy Director, International Relations, National Biodiversity Centre • Japan Development Institute (Kanagawa – Siem Reap Cooperation): Mr. Tomonori Kimura, Partner 	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GIZ: Mr. Roland Haas, Programme Director <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nonthaburi, Thailand: Ms. Pornsri Kitcham, Advisor to Mayor • Malang, Indonesia: Mr. Arif Dermawan, Project Coordinator, Malang City Environment Board • Suwon City, Korea: Ms. Jang Seoyoung, Program Officer • Damyang City, Korea: Mr. Gyesoo Jung, Assistant Manager, Korea Environment Corporation • GEF: Dr. Xiaomei Tan, Climate Change Specialist • Clean Air Asia: Ms. Chee Anne Roño, Program Manager • WRI: Mr. Amit Bhatt, Director-Transport, WRI India • Independent Consultant: Mr. Nguyen Khac-Tiep, Sustainable Energy Expert, former UNIDO official
18:00 – 19:30	<i>Welcome Dinner</i>	

DAY 2 (Friday, 4 March 2016)					
08:00 – 08:30	<i>Registration</i>				
08:30 – 09:00	<p>PLENARY 3: DAY 1 SUMMARY</p> <p>Chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viet Nam: Dr. Nguyen The Chinh, Director General, Institute of Strategy and Policy on Natural Resources and Environment (ISPONRE) • Japan: Mr. Nobuhiro Kino, Director, International Cooperation Office, International Strategy Division, Global Environment Bureau, Ministry of the Environment <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Session Moderators 				
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10:45 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>				

	A4. Better City-to-City Cooperation <i>Venue: Ballroom, Level 1</i>	B4. Resilient City Development <i>Venue: La Paix, Level 2</i>
11:00 – 12:30	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Institute for Environmental Studies (NIES): Dr. Junichi Fujino, Senior Researcher; Member of the "FutureCity" Initiative Expert Study-Group <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitakyushu, Japan: Mr. Yoshiharu Inoue, Manager, International Environmental Strategies Division, Environment Bureau • Osaka, Japan: Mr. Makoto Mihara, Assistant Manager for International Cooperation, Environment Bureau • Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam: Dr. Nguyen Trung Viet, Senior Advisor to the Director of Department of Natural Resources and Environment on Climate Change and International Relations, Head of Advisory Group to Climate Change Steering Board of Ho Chi Minh City • CDIA: Ms. Meg Yandoc, Communication Specialist • Clean Air Asia: Ms. Chee Anne Roño, Program Manager • JICA: Mr. Takahiro Ikenoue, Acting Director, Office of Climate Change, Environment Management Group, Global Environment Department • UCLG-ASPAC: Dr. Bernadia Tjandradewi, Secretary-General 	<p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USAID: Mr. Saengroaj Srisawaskraisorn, Climate Adaptation Specialist, Regional Environment Office <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nonthaburi, Thailand: Ms. Pornsri Kitcham, Advisor to Mayor • Dipolog, Philippines: Mr. Ernie Rojo, Executive Assistant II and Local Economic and Investments Promotion Officer, Office of the Mayor • Tacloban, Philippines: Ms. Cristina Romualdez, City Councilor • ISPONRE, Viet Nam: Dr. Nguyen Tung Lam, Director • Asian Cities Climate Change Resilience Network (ACCCRN): Dr. Jim Jarvie, Mercy Corps Network Director • UN-Habitat: Ms. Laida Mias-Cea, Asia-Pacific Coordinator, Cities and Climate Change Initiative
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:30 – 14:30	<p>PLENARY 4: 'NEW HLS ESC' IN 2017</p> <p>Objective: <i>Discuss and agree on key points for re-designing the 'New HLS ESC' in 2017, drawing from sessions and inputs on Day 1 and 2.</i></p> <p>Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Japan: Prof. Ryokichi Hirono, Professor Emeritus, Seikei University <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Session Moderators • Comments from the Mayors and City Representatives 	
14:30 – 15:15	<p>PLENARY 5: ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO EAS ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS</p> <p>Chairs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AWGESC: Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chairperson • ASEAN Secretariat: Ms. Natalia Derodofa, Senior Officer, Environment Division 	

	Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Viet Nam, Japan, United States: HLS Co-Organisers 	
15:15 – 15:30	CLOSING SESSION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thailand: Announcement on the 8th HLS ESC by Dr. Kasemsum Chinnavaso, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Thailand AWGESC Chairperson, Viet Nam and Japan: Closing Remarks 	
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
16:00 – 18:00	SIDE EVENT 1: NETWORKING CITIES THROUGH DIALOGUE <i>Venue: Ballroom, Level 1</i> Objective: <i>Enable frank discussion and learning among cities on important emerging challenges for which evidence of good practices and solutions are still being explored or experimented with.</i> Participants: City representatives are grouped based on their interest in topics and learn directly from other experienced cities. Potential topics are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to design stable grassroots institutions to improve the sustainability of community-based projects in a changing political environment. How to collaborate more deeply and creatively with the private sector, beyond the CSR framework Others (a survey will be issued to cities for suggestions before the seminar) 	SIDE EVENT 2: Partners Dialogue on AWGESC Draft Action Plan for an ASEAN ESC Community 2025 <i>Venue: La Paix, Level 2</i> Objective: <i>Informally gather initial ideas for drafting the AWGESC Action Plan which will be reported for consideration at the 14th Annual Meeting of the AWGESC (26-28 April 2016, Brunei Darussalam)</i> Participants: By invitation only to AWGESC Members and AWGESC Partners