



# HIGH-LEVEL SEMINAR ON SUSTAINABLE CITIES

UNDER THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EAST ASIA  
SUMMIT ENVIRONMENT MINISTERS MEETING

8 - 10 MARCH 2018  
**CAMBODIA**



## **9<sup>th</sup> EAS High-Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities (8 - 10 March 2018) Siem Reap, Cambodia**

### **1. BACKGROUND**

The High-Level Seminar (HLS) on Environmentally Sustainable Cities (ESC) is organised annually to gather together influential East and Southeast Asia policymakers, experts and practitioners working on clean, green and sustainable cities. Since 2010, senior officials from the region's environmental and urban line ministries, city authorities and development partners have met in various cities in Asia to:

- (1) Share and promote their latest ideas and initiatives on sustainable city development;
- (2) Exchange knowledge and explore collaboration potential; and, importantly,
- (3) Develop specific recommendations to the East Asia Summit Environment Ministers Meeting, which includes ASEAN Environment Ministers, on practical cooperation activities on environmentally sustainable cities.

A keystone initiative which has been catalysed under HLS is the "ASEAN ESC Model Cities Programme," established in 2011, and the "SDGs Frontrunner Cities Programme", the successor of the ESC Model Cities Programme, which are both programmes managed by the ASEAN Working Group on ESC (AWGESC). With support from the Government of Japan and others, these programmes have supported over 40 cities in eight ASEAN countries, helping them develop a variety of innovative, replicable pilot projects and sustainable development practices. HLS also provides these cities with a platform to learn from each other, as well as from other cities and partners, and to report on their progress to the East Asia Summit of environment ministers. Since 2017, HLS broadened its focus to the multi-dimensional nature of city development, in addition to environmental concerns, and also responds to the need of aligning city-level development with the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development, particularly the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Aligned with the set of six SDGs to be reviewed at the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) in July in 2018, New York, HLS will share practical experiences and discuss how to promote local sustainable actions related to the six goals by ASEAN cities, national governments, development partners, and private companies in their efforts to achieve sustainable cities in Asia.



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<Set of Goals which will be reviewed at 2018 HLPF in New York>



(SDGs 6) Clean Water and Sanitation

(SDGs 7) Affordable and Clean Energy

(SDGs 11) Sustainable Cities and Communities

(SDGs 12) Responsible Consumption and Production

(SDGs 15) Life on Land

(SDGs 17) Partnership for the Goals

## 2. THEME: *"Sustainable Cities: Sustainability and means of implementation for successful initiative" (tbc)*

The UN-led 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the other universal agreements – such as the SDGs, the Paris Agreement, and the New Urban Agenda – laid out roadmaps for enhancing global well-being and prosperity. At the regional level, ASEAN Member States also reaffirmed their aspiration for similar joint prosperity expressed in the ASEAN Community Vision 2025. With these global agreements and goals in place, the role of cities in achieving these goals is increasingly recognised as important and critical.

Whilst policies and actions on SDGs varies from city to city, and recognising that stakeholders with different roles and responsibilities are all interconnected, there needs to be an understanding of how different stakeholders analyse and address the means of implementation (e.g. finance, human-resources, governance, environmental resources) needed for successful policies and actions. This could provide useful lessons which could be replicated even in different circumstances in order to facilitate SDGs actions at city level.

In the two and a half years since the global goals were adopted, cities and stakeholders have made progress on SDGs actions. Thus, HLS this year will be focusing on sharing successful case of policy and project implementation in cities across the Asian region with emphasis on answering questions such as "how has the challenge been analysed?", "what were the available resources?", and "how has the challenge been overcome?". In short, we expect participants to share the essence of their successful experiences in order to facilitate further action elsewhere.

## 3. LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Participants will hear and learn first-hand lessons from selected Asian cities on implementing



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actions which contribute to achieving the set of goals to be reviewed at the 2018 High-Level Political Forum in New York. By facilitating an in-depth exchange among cities, development partners and other stakeholders, this HLS aims to set out examples of practical implementation activities under key goals, in order to encourage more cities to align their development plans with the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and SDGs in order to truly achieve sustainable cities in Asia.

HLS's learning objectives include:

- To increase awareness on SDGs and its means of implementation
- To learn from ESC Model Cities year 3
- To have peer-to-peer learning on selected SDGs goals

#### 4. TARGET PARTICIPANTS

Target participants consist mainly of government officials from environment ministries in ASEAN Member States. Local and city-level authorities, bilateral and multilateral development agencies – including but not limited to ADB, ESCAP, GIZ, JICA, OECD, UN-Habitat, and others – city networks, NGOs, private companies, academia and community groups will also join the seminar. Their participation will allow the sharing of experiences and the opportunity to explore possible collaboration and partnerships. The total number of attendees is expected to be around 200.

#### 5. DATE AND VENUE:

8-10 March 2018

(\*AWGESC NFP Meeting will be held on 7 March)

Apsara Palace Resort and Conference Center, Siem Reap, Cambodia

(<http://www.apsarapalacehotel.com/about-apsara-palace-hotel/>)

#### 6. ORGANISERS

The Government of Cambodia in partnership with the Government of Japan, the ASEAN Working Group on Environmentally Sustainable Cities, and the ASEAN Secretariat.

#### 7. Contact information

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## <Programme>

### 9<sup>th</sup> High-level Seminar on Sustainable Cities “Sustainable Cities: Sustainability and means of implementation for successful initiative”

(Royal Grand Ballroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

#### 8 March (Thu)

08:30- 09:00	<b>Registration</b>
09:00- 09:45	<b>Opening Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome Remarks H.E. Khim Bunsong, Governor of Siem Reap Mr. Yasuo Takahashi, Vice Minister for Global Environmental Affairs, Ministry of the Environment, Japan</li> <li>Opening Remarks H.E. Say Samal, Minister of Environment, Cambodia</li> <li>Agenda Setting Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chair, ASEAN Working Group on Environmentally Sustainable Cities (AWGESC)</li> </ul>
09:45- 10:00	Photo Session & Break
10:00- 10:50	<b>Keynote Session : “What is Sustainability for Asian Cities and How to Achieve It”</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Tin Ponlok, Secretary General, National Council for Sustainable Development, Cambodia</li> <li>Mr. Atsushi Koresawa, Director, UN-HABITAT Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific Fukuoka</li> </ul>
10:50 -12:00	<b>Plenary Session I : SDG11- “Road to Sustainable City”</b>  <Chair> Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chair, AWGESC  <Speaker> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Mardiah Hayati, Senior Officer Environment, ASEAN Secretariat</li> <li>H.E. Ieng Aunny, Deputy Governor, Capital City of Phnom Penh, Cambodia</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Hiroshi Hirowatari, Deputy Director, International Project Division, Water and Sewer Bureau, City of Kitakyushu, Japan</li> <li>- Mr. Mohd Zainuddin Jumaat, Senior Principal Assistant Director, PLANMalaysia (Federal Department of Town and Country Planning, Malaysia)</li> </ul>	
12:00–13:00	Lunch Session ((L'Amok Restaurant)	
13:00–14:00	<b>Plenary Session II : Finance, Data and Capacity Development for SDGs Actions at City Level</b>  <Chair> Mr. Curt Garrigan, Chief, Environment and Development Division, UNESCAP  <Speaker> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Kotaro Tanaka, Senior Representative, JICA Cambodia</li> <li>- Ms. Corazon C. Davis Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Assistant Secretary, Policy and Planning Service, Philippines</li> <li>- Hon. Clint Suarez Mansueto, City Councilor, San Carlos City, Negros Occidental, Philippines</li> </ul> (Commentary) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Asmah Bt Mohd Zin, Director, Community Development Department, Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam, Malaysia</li> </ul>	
14:00–14:10	Introduction of Themes of the Breakout Sessions	
14:10–15:30	<b>Theme A</b> SDG 6 Water & Sanitation X CTY  <i>(Royal Grand Ballroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</i>  <b>A.1 How to Achieve Sustainable Urban Water Supply</b>  <Chair> H.E. Ek Sonn Chan, Secretary of State, Ministry of Industry and Handicraft, Cambodia	<b>Theme B</b> SDG 12 Responsible Consumption and Production Pattern x CTY  <i>(Champey Meeting Room, Grd. Floor)</i>  <b>B.1 Sustainable Lifestyle, SCP, Circular Economy</b>  <Chair> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Corazon C. Davis, Assistant Secretary, Policy and Planning Service, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Philippines</li> </ul>





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	<p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deputy General Director, Siem Reap Water Supply Authority (SRWSA), Cambodia</li> <li>- Mr. Masashi Nishikawa, Project Formulation Advisor, JICA Cambodia Office</li> <li>- Mr. Sok Vanna, Habitat Programme Manager, Cambodia Office</li> </ul> <p>(Commentary)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms. Mardiah Hayati, Senior Officer Environment, ASEAN Secretariat</li> </ul>	<p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hon. Itthipol Treewatanasuwan, Udon Thani Municipality, Thailand</li> <li>- Mr. Noor Andi, Deputy Director, Solid Waste Management Department, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia</li> <li>- Ms. Li Pan Wen, Programme Manager, ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Centre, China</li> </ul> <p>(Commentary)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Mathya Raksasataya, Environmentalist, Senior Professional Level, Office of Natural Resources and Environmental Policy and Planning (ONEP), Thailand</li> </ul>
15:30–16:00	Break	
16:00–17:20	<p><b>A.2 Towards Sustainable Cities: Challenges and Way Forward in Sanitation and Wastewater Management</b></p> <p>&lt;Chair&gt;</p> <p>Mr. Pierre FLAMAND, Japan Sanitation Consortium</p> <p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Yuzo Okamoto, Senior Manager, Plant Engineering Division, Metawater Co., Ltd</li> <li>- Mr. Yengher Vacha, Deputy Manager of Urban Development and Management Project (PADUL-B) and ASEAN ESC Model Cities Programme Manager, Luang Prabang Municipality, Lao PDR</li> </ul>	<p><b>B.2 Waste Management for Sustainable City</b></p> <p>&lt;Chair&gt;</p> <p>Mr. Ngo Tuan Dung, Deputy Director General of International Cooperation, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Viet Nam</p> <p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Yuji Kato, Deputy Director, Kitakyushu Asian Center for Low Carbon Society, Environment Bureau, City of Kitakyushu</li> <li>- Ms. Asmah Bt Mohd Zin, Director, Community Development Department, Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam, Malaysia</li> <li>- Mr. Hiroya Kawai, Manager, Gomi Recycle110 Co., Ltd</li> </ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Mohammad Dadang Basuki, Head of Environmental Assessment Division Environmental Agency City of Tangerang, Indonesia</li> </ul>	(Commentary) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Pak Sokharavuth, Deputy Director General of General Directorate of Environmental Protection Agency, Ministry of Environment, Cambodia</li> </ul>
19:00–20:30	Welcome Dinner (Sunset Terrace, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor)	

## 9 March (Fri)

09:00–09:15	Report from Breakout Sessions on DAY1 by Chair of Breakout sessions	
09:15–10:30	<b>Plenary Session III : City-Private sector partnership for Sustainable Future</b>  <Chair> Mr. Toru Hashimoto, Director, International Cooperation, Yokohama City  <Speaker> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Masafumi Ota, Vice Project Director, Development Project Team, City Creation Headquarters, Tokyu Corporation</li> <li>- Ms. Michelle Zhao, Senior Manager, Customer Service/Marketing &amp; PR, Phnom Penh Special Economic Zone (PPSEZ)</li> <li>- Mr. Agus Supriyanto, Section Head of Retailer Assistantship, Directorate of Solid Waste Management, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia</li> </ul>	
10:30–10:45	Break	
10:45–10:50	Introduction of Themes of the Breakout Sessions	
10:50–12:00	<u>Theme C</u> SDG 7 Energy for All x CITY <i>(Royal Grand Ballroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)</i>	<u>Theme D</u> SDG 15 Land, Forest x CITY <i>(Champey Meeting Room, Grd. Floor)</i>



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	<p><b>C.1 Renewable Energy/Energy Efficiency for Sustainable City</b></p> <p>&lt;Chair&gt; Dr. Junichi Fujino, Programme Director, City Taskforce, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)</p> <p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Hiroaki Matsumoto, Ministry of Environment, Japan</li> <li>- Hon. Clint Suarez Mansueto, City Councilor, San Carlos City, Negros Occidental, Philippines</li> </ul> <p>(Commentary)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Ngo Tuan Dung, Deputy Director General of International Cooperation, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Viet Nam</li> </ul>	<p><b>D.1 Sustainable tourism and Green Space for City</b></p> <p>&lt;Chair&gt; H.E. E Vuthy, Deputy Secretary General, national Council for Sustainable Development, Ministry of Environment, Cambodia</p> <p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deputy Governor, Kep Province, Cambodia</li> <li>- Ms. Thongbai Wetchapan, Director, Development of Environmental Quality Promotion (DEQP), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Thailand</li> <li>- Hon. Vo Ngoc Trinh, Vice Chairman, People's Committee of Da Lat City, Viet Nam</li> </ul>
12:00–13:15	Lunch (L'Amok Restaurant)	
13:15–14:35	<p><b>Plenary Session IV: SDGs and Sustainable Resilient Cities</b></p> <p>&lt;Chair&gt; Mr. Curt Garrigan, Chief, Environment and Development Division, UNESCAP</p> <p>&lt;Speaker&gt;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr. Nguyen Minh Cuong, Deputy Director, Department of International Cooperation and Science, Technology, Viet Nam Environment Administration</li> <li>- Ms. Li Pan Wen, Programme Manager, ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Centre</li> </ul>	





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14:35– 14:50	Break
14:50– 15:20	Reporting back from the Breakout Sessions
15:20– 16:00	<p><b>Plenary V: Kick-off of “ASEAN SDGs Frontrunner Cities Programme”</b></p> <p>&lt;Chair&gt; Dr. Vann Monyneath, Chair, AWGES</p> <p>&lt;Speaker&gt; Mr. Zin Aung Swe, Programme Coordinator, ASEAN JAIF Management Team Mr. Togo Uchida, Programme Manager, IGES</p>
16:00– 16:20	Break
16:20– 16:50	Summary of the 9 <sup>th</sup> HLS
16:50– 17:00	<p>Closing Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing Remarks</li> <li>• Government of Japan, Government of Cambodia</li> </ul>

10 March: Excursion (Site Visit)