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E-waste ***KNOWLEDGE*** Management

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About RRC.AP

- AIT-UNEP Regional Resource Centre for Asia and the Pacific:
 - 20 years of collaboration between Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) and UNEP Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (ROAP)
 - Assist UNEP/ROAP's activities in 5 Asian sub-regions in partnership with AIT
- Organisations
 - 4 components: Knowledge, Regional, Network and Institutional Supports
 - Staff: 40+
 - Annual budget: US\$ 4 M



Waste related projects

- Collaboration with UNEP/IETC, AIT and IGES:

Regional Level

- **3R Knowledge Hub (3RKH)**
- *Asia and the Pacific*

Sub Regional Level

- **Thematic Working Group on Solid and Hazardous Waste (Waste TWG)**
- *14 member countries in Southeast and East Asia*

National Level

- **Advanced Waste Management in Asia and the Pacific (AWMAP) or “National 3R Strategy”**
- *Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines*

3R Knowledge Hub

- Launched in 2006 to support 3R initiatives conducted in Asia and the Pacific
- Partners: ADB, AIT, UN-ESCAP, UNEP
- Objectives: collecting, sharing, disseminating and monitoring of information/resources on reduce, reuse and recycle (E-waste, urban and medical waste)
- Implementers: AIT and RRC.AP
- 2nd Phase (2010-2012): in process of preparation with a focus on private sector involvement



3R Knowledge Hub- in context of E-waste

e-Waste

3R Publications (Author: Dr. Martin Medina)

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Community-Based Recycling Initiatives

The informal recycling sector in developing countries

Potentials:

- Mechanism for *updated* information sharing in Asia
- Beyond web portal: facilitate SBC processes in the region

Current status:

Collecting & sharing of case studies and best practices on E-waste

Challenges:

3RKH's existing capacity is limited to address diverse user's requests (technical, awareness, policy etc.)



Other E-waste Activities

- Participation in policy-making processes for e-waste management
 - Seminars on the 1st and 2nd progresses of Study Project on Criteria and Fees of Thailand's WEEE Management (Pollution Control Department, Chulalongkorn University)
 - Consultation meeting with PCD and UNEP/IETC
- Exploring of e-waste research opportunities conducive to national policy-making processes

Thank you

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