



Thematic session

Environmentally Sustainable Industrial Development: The Concept of Eco-Towns in the Asia Pacific Region

The Session serves to outline the concept of 'eco-towns' in Japan and its potential for adaptation to cities in the Asia Pacific region. Eco-towns aim at promoting zero waste, integrated production system, raising total productivity of materials and realizing a society harmonizing with the environment. Companies setting shop in an eco-town look at the entire life-cycle of their products and services to reduce their environmental impacts.

Date

1 November 2006

Time

14:00 ~ 17:30

Venue

Room 328, Level 3
Suntech City, Singapore

Agenda

14:00 – 14:05	Opening Remarks <i>Mr. Takafumi Masuda</i>	Executive Director Global Environment Center Osaka, Japan
014:05 – 14:25	"Sustainability Initiatives in Singapore: Towards an 'eco-town' " <i>Dr Amy Khor</i>	Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources, Mayor, South West District, Advisor to WMRAS and Chairperson of the Eco-Products International Fair 2006 Steering Committee
14:25 – 14:40	Break	
14:40 – 15:00	"Eco Industrial Parks for Waste Minimization" <i>Prof. Jing-Yuan Wang</i>	School of Civil & Environmental Engineering, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
15:00 – 15:20	"Kawasaki Eco-Town: Moving Forward with the Kawasaki Action Plan" <i>Mr. Saburo Kato</i>	Advisor to the Mayor of Kawasaki, Kawasaki City, Japan
15:20 – 17:20	Panel discussion on strategies and guidelines to adopt eco-towns in cities in Asia-Pacific. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penang, Malaysia • Bandung, Indonesia • Pune, India • Namakkal, India In addition, all session speakers will also be part of the panel.	
17:20 – 17:30	Summary and recommendations <i>Dr. Hari Srinivas</i>	Chief of Urban Environmental Management Unit, International Environmental Technology Centre, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Osaka, Japan.

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