Session IOngoing Practices in AP Region



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Objectives:

- (1) To showcase examples of national development goals, which cover goals relevant with climate change-related efforts.
- (2) To update information on ongoing efforts to create an enabling environment by different stakeholders for addressing climate and development concerns.
- (3) To brainstorm a discussion for the following subtopics (Co-benefits and Integrated Adaptation), and to understand the essential background where the concept of such subtopics are brought into practice.

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Part 1 Climate Change and Development as National and Regional Agenda

National Development Goals relevant with Climate Change Concerns (Mitigation-related)

By Dr. Yuan GUO, Energy Resources Institute, NDRC, China,

National Development Goals relevant with Climate Change Concerns (Adaptation-related) By Mr. Medrilzam, BAPPENAS (National Development Planning Agency), Indonesia

Climate Change as a Key Driver to Shape Up Countries' Sustainable Development Planning and Actions – by Mr.Rae Kwon Chung, UNESCAP

Alternative Energy Development as Climate Change Cobenefits: Thailand's National Agenda

By Mr. Rangsan Sarochawikasit Department of Alternative Energy Development and Efficiency (DEDE), Ministry of Energy, Thailand Dr. Guo's presentation introduces China's recently published national programme on climate change, which sets ambitious goals of mitigation, while achieving economic & social development.

BAPPENAS is the Ministry that controls and coordinate national development planning in Indonesia. Mr. Medrilzam shows a mechanism of development planning is conducted and, hints for integrating adaptation concerns into its national planning process.

ESCAP is a UN agency working on economic & social development issues, and has been involved in support activities for member countries in developing policies to address climate change and development concerns.

Ministry of Energy, DEDE has taken a strong initiative to introduce alternative energy, as part of Thailand's National Agenda Mr. Rangsan will showcase Thailand's challenge and success in diversifying energy use.

Part 2 Key Efforts to Create an Enabling Environment

Reducing Emissions from Deforestation in Developing Countries and Co-Benefits

By Dr. Gregory Picker, Director, Global Forest and Climate, Australian Greenhouse Office, Australia

From Ideas to Action: Clean Energy Solutions for Asia to Address Climate Change By Mr. Orestes Anastasia, Regional Environment Advisor,

USAID

Energy Efficiency Financing (EEF)

By Ms. Pornpilai Burasai, First Vice President, Corporate Banking DivisionBANKTHAI

Environment Policies of Kitakyushu City for a Sustainable Society By Hiroshi Mizoguchi, Kitakyushu City, Japan Avoiding deforestation is crucial in addressing climate change. But it also has benefits for local society. AGO has recently innitiated a global programme of forest and climate change may show a good example of addressing climate and other benefits such as developmental cobenefits

USAID has played an active role to address both climate and development concerns in its operation. Orestes's presentation may provide us with useful hints for bringing ideas into actions.

BANKTHAI, as a private financial institution, is engaged in several environmental finance activities proactively. Ms. Pornpilal introduces Bank's practical viewpoint on EEF, and some elements of risk assessment, which is a necessary step to go for real financing activities.

Kitakayushu City has been heavily involved in environmental cooperation activities for Asian cities. By revisiting its capacity building activities, participants may explore how we can apply cobenefits approach into its on-ground basis assistance programme.

Discussion

Climate and Development

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Climate Change in Development Planning?

- What are "Climate Change-related areas"
 - Implicit and Explicit connection
 - Different by Mitigation and Adaptation to Climate Change?
- Who decides?
 - Decision makers are fully aware of climate change implications?
 - What could help such decision makers to take a due consideration on climate change aspects
 - Do we have any regular access to such a process?

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Creating an Enabling Environment

- Key Players to be involved what are their roles?
 - Domestic Agencies
 - Private Sector
 - Local authorities
- International Initiatives to Support Developing Countries
 - A better environment for success?
 - Needs assessment of developing country partners.

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