

**The 15<sup>th</sup> Environment Congress for Asia and the Pacific  
(ECO Asia 2007)  
Fukuoka City, 8 September 2007**

**7 September: Fukuoka Environment Symposium hosted by Fukuoka City  
Welcome Reception hosted by the Mayor of Fukuoka City**

**9 September: Excursion hosted by Fukuoka City**

***Main Theme: Possible Actions to be taken by Asia and the Pacific  
to address global environmental issues***

*Objective: ECO Asia 2007 aims to provide opportunities for exchanging views and opinions among its distinguished participants on regional standpoints and possible cooperation in addressing global environmental issues. The meeting focuses on two major global environmental issues, namely waste management and recycling and climate change. Keeping in mind major international meetings related to environment and development to be convened in the Asia-Pacific region, including COP13 of UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) to be held in December 2007 in Bali, Indonesia and the G8 Summit to be held in July 2008 in Toyako, Japan, the meeting seeks to identify possible actions to be taken by Asia and the Pacific.*

**Provisional Agenda**

**Friday, 7 September**

Registration for ECO ASIA 2007 is at JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka; while Fukuoka Environment Symposium 2007 is convened at Fukuoka International Convention Center.

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| Whole day   | <p><b>Registration</b></p> <p>* Venue: Lobby, 1st Floor: JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p>   |
| 13:30-16:30 | <p><b>Fukuoka Environment Symposium 2007</b> (Hosted by Fukuoka City)</p> <p>* Venue: Fukuoka International Convention Center<br/>* Japanese – English simultaneous interpretation provided.<br/>* This symposium is open to the public.</p> |
| 18:30-20:00 | <p><b>Welcome Reception</b> (Hosted by Mayor of Fukuoka City)</p> <p>*Venue: Tinga Tinga, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p>  |

**Saturday, 8 September**

All events will be held at JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka.

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| 08:30-09:00 | <p><b>Registration</b></p> <p>* Venue: Lobby, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor: JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p>  |
| 09:00-09:30 | <p><b>Opening Session</b></p> <p>* Venue: Argos, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Opening remarks by Dr. Ichiro KAMOSHITA, <i>Minister of the Environment of Japan</i></li><li>● Welcoming remarks by Mr. Hiroshi YOSHIDA, <i>Mayor of Fukuoka City, Japan</i></li><li>● Election of Chairperson</li><li>● Adoption of Agenda</li><li>● Group Photo Session</li></ul>   |
| 09:30-09:45 | <p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>   |
| 09:45-12:30 | <p><b>Session 1: International Collaboration among National and Local Governments concerning Waste Management and Recycling</b></p> <p>* Venue: Argos, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p> <p><b>Objective:</b></p> <p>Waste management and recycling has been one of the most common and urgent issues to be addressed in many countries in the Asia-Pacific region. This session will discuss some key elements to further promote international collaboration on waste management and recycling. Actions to be taken by both local and central governments will be addressed.</p> |

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|             | <p><b>Chair, Facilitator, and Lead-off-speakers:</b></p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Ichiro KAMOSHITA,<br/><i>Minister of the Environment of Japan</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i> Dr. Chettyappan VISVANATHAN<br/><i>Asian Institute of Technology (AIT)</i></p> <p><i>Introductory Remarks:</i><br/>Mr. Hideto YOSHIDA<br/><i>Ministry of the Environment, Japan</i></p> <p><i>Lead-off-speakers:</i><br/>Mr. Hiroshi YOSHIDA (<i>Mayor of Fukuoka City</i>)<br/>Dr. Truong Manh Tien (<i>Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Vietnam</i>)<br/>Mr. Taku OHMURA (<i>ADB</i>)</p> <p><b>Suggested Points for Discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Emerging Types of Wastes and Recyclables:</b> What kinds of wastes or recyclables are/will be important?</li> <li>● <b>Regional Cooperation:</b> What kind of policies and measures at a regional level could enhance national capacity on waste management and recycling in each country?</li> <li>● <b>National Policy for Local Actions:</b> What kind of policies and measures by national governments could promote/support the activities by local governments?</li> <li>● <b>Good Practices Dissemination:</b> Are ongoing efforts for dissemination of good practices, such as information sharing and network activities, effective enough? If not, what kind of additional efforts could be pursued?</li> <li>● <b>Private Sector's Role:</b> How can the private sector contribute to 3R (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) activities in the Asia-Pacific Region.</li> </ul> |
| 12:30-14:00 | <p><b>Luncheon</b> (Hosted by Minister of the Environment of Japan)</p> <p>*Venue: to be announced.</p>   |
| 14:00-16:45 | <p><b>Session 2: Regional Cooperation for addressing Climate Change</b></p> <p>* Venue: Argos, 1st Floor, JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p> <p><b>Objective:</b></p> <p>This session aims to discuss the opportunities for regional collaboration regarding climate change issues facing the Asia-Pacific region. Pathway towards Low Carbon Society, opportunities for co-benefits, adaptation needs, further utilisation of market mechanisms, and post-2012 framework could be discussed. The results will be forwarded to UNFCCC COP13/MOP3 in December in Bali and other forums.</p>   |

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| 16:45-17:30 | <b>Coffee Break</b>  |
| 17:30-18:00 | <p><b>Session 3: Wrap-up session</b></p> <p><i>Chair:</i> Dr. Ichiro KAMOSHITA<br/><i>Minister of the Environment of Japan</i></p> <p>* Venue: Argos, 1st Floor, JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Adoption of Chair’s Summary</li> </ul>   |

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| 18:30-20:00   | <p><b>Reception</b> (Hosted by Minister of the Environment of Japan)</p> <p>*Venue: Navis, 1st Floor, JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</p> |
| <p>* Given the nature of ECO Asia as a high-level forum for informal exchange on environmental policies, all participants will be invited to participate in interactive dialogues focusing on necessary policies in the region over the next two to three years.</p> <p>* Each session will have a facilitator, with lead speakers starting off each session.</p> |   |

**Sunday, 9 September**

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| 9:00-14:45 | <p><b>Excursion</b> (Hosted by Fukuoka City)</p> <p>* <i>Meeting Point for Departure:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Bus will pick you up at the entrance of JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</i></li> </ul> <p>* <i>Provisional Plan and Destinations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Western (Nakata) landfill site</i></li> <li>• <i>Citizens' refreshing farmland</i></li> <li>• <i>Tochouji Temple – Buddhism Temple</i></li> <li>• <i>Hakata Machiya Folk Museum</i></li> <li>• <i>Kushida Shrine – Shinto Shrine</i></li> <li>• <i>Lunch (Japanese Light Course Meal)</i></li> <li>• <i>Back to JAL Resort Sea Hawk Hotel Fukuoka</i></li> </ul> |
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