



Scope of Session 2



Main Outcome of the 10th Conference of the Parties of the Basel Convention (COP 10)

The Secretariat of the Asian Network

Objective of the Session 2

- The 10th Conference of the Parties of the Basel Convention was held in Cartagena, Colombia on 17-21 October, 2011.
- Several important decisions were adopted in COP 10 and it is expected that some decisions will have impacts on the enforcement practices of the Basel Convention as well as direction of the Asian Network.
- The session is aimed to learn the COP 10 decision and discuss future direction of the Asian Network based on the new scheme that will be developed under the COP10 decisions.



Brief Review of the COP 10

Agenda of the COP10

-Matters related to the implementation of the Basel Convention

(a) Strategic issues

- *New strategic framework for 2012 – 2021*
- *Review & strengthening of the operation of the BCRCs*
- *Indonesian-Swiss country-led initiative to improve the effectiveness of the Basel Convention (CLI)*

(b) Scientific & technical matters

- *Technical guidelines, etc.*

(c) Legal, compliance & governance matters

- *Implementation and Compliance Committee (ICC)*
- *Combat illegal traffic*
- *National reporting*
- *Basel Convention Trust Fund*
- *Environmentally sound ship dismantling, etc.*

Brief Review of the COP 10 (cont.)

- Matters related to the implementation of the Basel Convention

- (d) Basel Convention Partnership Programme

- (e) Capacity-building

- (f) Financial matters

- (g) Work programme of the OEWG for 2012-2013

- Enhancing cooperation and coordination among the Basel, Rotterdam, and Stockholm Convention

- Theme of the meeting: prevention, minimization and recovery of wastes

Key Decision

Among other things, Indonesia and Switzerland proposed a comprehensive draft decision that reflects in a balanced manner a package for a way forward and it was adopted by the COP. The CLI's "package" decision consists of the following items:

A. Addressing entry into force of the Ban Amendment

⇒ *The COP agreed that the Article 17 (5) interpreted to mean the acceptance of $\frac{3}{4}$ of those parties that were parties at the time of adoption of the amendment is required for entry into force of BAN (e.g. fixed time approach).*

B. Developing guidelines for ESM

⇒ *The COP decided to establish a technical group in order to elaborate and complete the development of ESM of hazardous wastes.*

C. Providing further legal clarity

D. Further strengthening the BCRCs

E. Combating illegal traffic more effectively

F. Assisting developing countries which are facing specific challenges with regard to prohibiting the import of hazardous wastes

G. Building capacity

Discussion *(but not limited to)*

- What is the view and possible effect of the COP10 decisions for Asian countries?
- What is the possible way forward which can be beneficial to Asian countries? How the Asian Network can contribute to it?
- What is the possible components of the ESM guidelines and relevant measures for ensuring ESM?
- What can be done to strengthen the capacity of the BCRCs to further ensure the ESM?
- What can be done to clarify the legal definition on waste/non-waste, hazardous /non-hazardous, re-use, direct re-use; refurbishment, secondhand, etc?

Expected Goals

Through the discussion, participants are expected to:

- To understand the outcome of the COP 10 and the potential impact on the implementation of the Basel Convention in Asia.
- To exchange views on possible activities that can be carried out in Asia.
- To understand the necessary and appropriate measures to strengthen the capacity of the BCRCs for ensuring the ESM.
- To understand the necessary and appropriate measures to further clarify such terms on waste/non-waste, hazardous /non-hazardous, re-use, etc.



Thank you