

Scope of Session 1

Update of International Regulation and Regional Border Control of Transboundary Movement of Wastes

The Secretariat of the Asian Network

Underlying assumption

It is essential to understand and share recently established, amended and draft legislation that is currently under discussion among the participating countries.



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Especially, it is important to understand import/export control regulation of hazardous wastes, including E-waste and secondhand EEE, between exporting and importing countries for ensuring better control.



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- It is even important to share the difficulties on implementation of the Basel Convention and combating illegal traffic of HWs as well as the good practices for overcoming them.
- It is valuable to share the ongoing activities and experience of competent authorities, customs, the relevant international organization and NGOs.



Desk Study by BCRC-SEA

- BCRC-SEA carried out the study on the following issues through questionnaire survey and present the outcome
 - Definition of Hazardous waste
 - National law/regulation and new practices for enforcement of the Basel Convention
 - Import control policy on secondhand EEE
 - The recent border control activities
 - Data of HWs Import/export
 - Case of take-back

Presentations in Session 1

- Invite presentations from various key players involved in national/regional border control
 - Updates of enforcement activities of Basel Convention (BRS Secretariat)
 - Latest information on national legislation on national regulation and border control activities (BCRC-SEA)
 - Demeter II and III: Operation and Lesson learned (WCO RILO/AP)
 - NGO enforcement of the Basel Convection (BAN)
 - Updates of the activities Experience of border control activity and collaboration with customs in Asian countries (China Customs, Thailand, Japan)

Expected Goals

- To learn the latest information on rules and regulations on hazardous wastes in Asian countries
- To understand the ongoing activities conducted by the various key players and shared good practices would be utilized for regular work of competent authorities and customs
- Also, to understand that the strengthening border control is effective, especially when collaboration between the competent authority and the customs is successfully made.

Discussion

- Other than new regulation and activities introduced by the speakers, are there any new regulation or activities that should be shared among AN and REN?
- What are the effective measures for implementing and strengthening border control?
- What needs to be done for enhancing cooperation between competent authorities and customs in each country?
- How each country can utilize the existing good practice?
- How can AN and REN collaborate with the activities of international organizations or NGOs?

Thank you!