

# Introduction and Draft Agenda Senior Officials Meeting on the 3R Initiative March 6–8, 2006, Tokyo

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## Background

2004 G8 Sea Island Summit (USA)

The summit adopted the G8 Action Plan on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development: "3R" Action Plan and Progress on Implementation.

2005 Ministerial Conference on the 3R Initiative (Tokyo)

The 3R Initiative was formally launched.

**G8 Gleneagles Summit (UK)** 

2006 Senior Officials Meeting on the 3R Initiative (Tokyo)

# Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) on the 3R Initiative

**Date: 6-8 March 2006** 

Participating countries and organizations:

- 20 countries and the European Commission
- 7 international organizations

**Objective:** Discuss how to implement the 3Rs as a follow up to the Ministerial Conference

## **Discussion Topic:**

- Implementation of the 3Rs within each country
- International implementation of the 3Rs (international flow of 3R-related goods, materials and products)

## Agenda of 1<sup>st</sup> Day (March 6<sup>th</sup>)

## **Morning**

## **Opening Session**

## **Plenary Session 1:**

Implementation of the 3Rs in the participating countries and international organizations (Brazil, Canada, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Russia, Singapore, South Africa, Thailand)

### **Lunch Seminar**

Implementation of the 3R Initiative in Japan

### Afternoon

## **Plenary Session 2:**

Implementation of the 3Rs in the participating countries and international organizations (cont'd) (USA, Viet Nam, EC, France, Germany, Italy, UK, The League of the Arab States, OECD, UNEP, Secretariat of the Basel Convention, ADB, UNCRD, UNESCAP, APFED)

## Agenda of 1<sup>st</sup> Day (cont'd)

## **Afternoon**

## **Working Group Session 1:**

Working Group 1: Implementation of the 3Rs

- Presentation by an expert
- General discussion

Working Group 2: International implementation of the 3Rs (international flow of 3R-related goods, materials and products)

- Presentation by an expert
- General discussion

## **Evening**

Photo Session Reception

## Agenda of 2<sup>nd</sup> Day (March 7<sup>th</sup>)

## **Morning**

WG Session 2: Promotion of international cooperation

WG Session 3: Cooperation among stakeholders

WG 1: Implementation of the 3Rs

WG 2: International implementation of the 3Rs

#### Lunch Seminar

Measures to address Electronic and Electrical Waste (E-Wastes)

### Afternoon

WG Session 4: Promotion of science and technology

WG Session 5: Wrap-up of WG discussions

## **Plenary Session 3:**

Report from the two WGs

General discussions, including future directions

## Agenda of 3<sup>rd</sup> Day (March 8<sup>th</sup>)

## **Morning**

## **Plenary Session 4 and 5:**

General discussion
Discussions on the Chairperson's summary

## **Closing of the Meeting**

## Lunch

## Afternoon

## **Excursion (Optional)**

Tokyo Super Eco-town (PCB waste treatment facility and e-waste treatment facilities)

# Questionnaire on 3R strategies and activities

## 1. 3R policy and strategy update

## 2. Domestic 3R activities

- Good practices on 3Rs
- 3Rs and governance
- 3Rs and environmentally-sound management of industrial waste

## 3. International 3R policy and strategy

- Situation of transboundary movement of recyclable resources and remanufactured goods
- Environmentally-sound management in transboundary movement of recyclable resources and remanufactured goods
- Harmonization of economic and environmental benefits

#### 4. Others

## **Major Issues for Discussion**

#### General

- ◆ Acknowledge the progress of the implementation of the 3Rs in the participating countries and organizations
- ◆ Find future directions to promote the 3Rs

## Implementation of the 3R Initiative within each country

- Share good practices and highlight the key to success
- ◆ Identify obstacles in promoting the 3Rs, and present measures to overcome such obstacles
- Present roles of stakeholders in promoting the 3Rs and environmentally sound management of waste

#### **International Promotion of the 3Rs**

◆ Identify measures, including international cooperation and cooperation among stakeholders, to enhance the positive effects and mitigate the negative effects with the international flow of the 3R-related goods, materials and products

# Web-site for the Senior Officials Meeting on the 3R Initiative

http://www.env.go.jp/earth/3r/en/s\_officials.html