

## TUNIS ACTION GUIDANCE

The Ministry of the Environment of Japan (MOEJ), the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the City of Yokohama, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), and Member Countries and Cities of the African Clean Cities Platform (ACCP), as well as any actors supporting the objectives of the ACCP on the occasion of the Third ACCP Assembly held virtually from 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> of July 2022 with the support of Municipality of Tunis and the Government of Tunisia as the host of TICAD 8,

Building on the Maputo Declaration adopted at the preparatory meeting for the establishment of ACCP in April 2017, the Rabat Declaration adopted at the first ACCP General Meeting in June 2018, and the Yokohama Action Guidance adopted at the second ACCP General Meeting in August 2019,

Recognizing, once again, the urgent need to realize proper solid waste management in line with the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly from the perspective of environmental protection, efficient use of natural resources and the importance of public health as waste generation is expected to increase in Africa due to the rapid urbanization and economic growth in the region and reminded by the unprecedented COVID-19 crisis,

Noting that proper and sustainable waste management contributes to the creation of clean and resilient cities by reducing and preventing risks to human health and the environment, strengthening the linkages between urban planning and waste management, and promoting sustainable urban development through innovation and green job creation, improving resource efficiency, shifting towards circular economy, increasing investment in Africa, and expanding sustainable tourism,

Valuing the work of the ACCP to date and emphasizing the importance of further strengthening the ACCP activities,

Agree and declare that, recognizing the wide range of circumstances and challenges on waste management that each organization faces, and in accordance with the capacities of each organization, the following actions will be promoted towards TICAD 9:

1. Continue to further promote the 11 items of the Yokohama Action Guidance adopted at the 2<sup>nd</sup> ACCP General Meeting, utilizing innovative technologies and applications for transparent and effective knowledge sharing.
2. Promote the transition from open dumping to sanitary and controlled landfill, in particular fostering/adopting low carbon waste management technologies (e.g. Fukuoka Method (semi-aerobic landfill system)) and strengthening capacity development in the context of the global transition towards a decarbonized society and climate change, as the main source of greenhouse gas emission in this sector is methane emissions from open dumping of organic waste.
3. Promote sharing of knowledge, experience and good practices on reduction, sound management and recovery of plastic waste, health-care waste and e-waste towards the realization of 3R and controlled management based on Yokohama Action Guidance, recognizing the negative impacts created by plastic waste globally and challenges imposed by the increased generation of health-care waste and e-waste in Africa.