







Special Event of Asian Mayors for the Signing of the Kyoto Declaration for the Promotion of Environmentally Sustainable Transport

During BAQ 2008 Workshop November 12, 2009, Wed 17:00 - 18:30

Venue: Bangkok Panorama 1, The Imperial Queen's Park Hotel,

Bangkok, Thailand

Organizers: United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD)

Ministry of the Environment-Japan

CAI-Asia Center

Chairperson: Hon. Governor, Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA)

17:00-17:30 Opening Session

- 1. Opening Statement (UNCRD)
- 2. Opening Statement (Katsuhiko Naito, Director, Environmental Transport Policy Division, Environmental Management Bureau, Ministry of the Environment-Japan)
- 3. Opening Statement (Cornie Huizenga, Executive Director of CAI-Asia Center).
- 4. Welcome & Key Note Address (Hon. Governor of BMA)

17:30-17:40 Introducing Asian EST Initiative

C.R.C. Mohanty, Environment Program Coordinator, UNCRD

UNCRD, in close co-operation with the Ministry of the Environment-Government of Japan, had launched the Asia EST Initiative in 2004 with an objective to integrate the objectives and elements of environmentally sustainable transport in the over all planning and development process by identifying and addressing issues, critical challenges, and strategic measures in environment and transport sector. The Regional EST Forum, which is the key component of the Asian EST Initiative, provides a strategic and knowledge platform for sharing experiences and disseminating among Asian countries best practices, policy instruments, tools, technologies, in relation to various key aspects of EST underlined in the **Aichi Statement**.

17:40-18:15 Signing of the Kyoto Declaration

The "Kyoto Declaration" which aims to bring greater synergies between and among national and local/city authorities as an effort to realize the goal of sustainability in the transport sector. Kyoto Declaration was originally adopted and signed by 22 Asian Mayors and Senior Government Officials from 14 Asian countries during "Asian Mayors' Policy Dialogue for the Promotion of Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) in Cities" held on 23 - 24 April 2007, in Kyoto, Japan.

18:15-18:20 Vote of Thanks

18:20-18:30 Group Photo Session

18:30- BMA Welcome Reception onwards Venue: Queen's Park 1,2, and 3