



14th East Asia Summit (EAS) High-Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities

Tuesday, 26 November 2024
9:00 am – 12:00 pm (Bangkok Local Time)

Amari Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand / Online (Zoom)



The High-Level Seminar (HLS) on Sustainable Cities (former title: HLS on Environmentally Sustainable Cities) has been organized annually as a platform to gather policymakers, experts, and practitioners working to make cities clean, green, and sustainable in the region since 2010. The HLS provides opportunities for participants to share cases and initiatives on sustainable city development and to explore collaboration potential on practical cooperation activities on environmentally sustainable cities.

Recognizing the importance of mutual learning among cities to accelerate transformative changes to address the triple challenges – climate change, biodiversity and pollution, the fourteenth session of the HLS (14HLS) will share good practices in the region, in particular lessons learned from the ASEAN SDGs Frontrunner Cities Program Phase 2 (2022-2024) funded by the Japan-ASEAN Integrated Fund (JAIF).

Organisers: Ministry of the Environment, Japan; Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Thailand; ASEAN Working Group for Environmentally Sustainable Cities (AWGESC); ASEAN Secretariat

Collaborator/Secretariat: Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)

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Time		Agenda
JPN (GMT+9)	BKK (GMT+7)	
11:00 – 11:40	9:00 – 9:40	<p>14 HLS Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Welcome Remarks by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Japan: Mr. SUGA Yoshinori, Director for Sustainable Infrastructure, Global Environmental Bureau, Ministry of the Environment • Thailand: Ms. Uma Srisuk, Director of Climate Change and Environmental Participation Promotion Division, Department of Climate Change & Environment (DCCE), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment • Viet Nam: Mr. Minh Cuong, Chair of ASEAN Working Group on Environmentally Sustainable Cities (AWGESC)
11:40 – 12:00	9:40 – 10:00	<p>Keynote presentation by Mr. SONO Junichi, Executive Director, Environment Bureau, City of Kitakyushu, Japan</p>
12:00 – 12:25	10:00 – 10:20	<p>Coffee Break</p>
12:20 – 13:50	10:20 – 11:50	<p>Panel session: Highlighting Local Aspirations and Good Practices for Circular Economy and Climate Mitigation & Resilience</p> <p>Panel members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circular Economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Indonesia: Ms. Denok Marty Astuti, Director, Waste Bank Center of Surakarta ○ Lao PDR: Mr. Khonesy Xayamone, Deputy Director, Provincial Office for Environment & Natural Resources, Oudomxay Province ○ Thailand: H.E. Narongchai Kunplome, Mayor, Saensuk Municipality • Climate Mitigation & Resilience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cambodia: Mr. Eng Polo, Director, Provincial Environmental Department, Kampot Province ○ Malaysia: Mr. Kamarulzaman bin Elias, Assistant Director, Urban Services Department, Seberang Perai City Council ○ Philippines: Mr. Mark Ellen E. Bea, Mayor's Executive Assistant V, Parañaque City ○ Thailand: H.E. Suriya Yeekhun, Mayor, Prik Municipality, Songkhla Province
13:50 – 14:00	11:50 – 12:00	<p>Closing Remarks by Mr. KAWAKAMI Tsuyoshi, Managing Director, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)</p>

Afternoon of 26th November – 28 November:
SDGs Frontrunner Cities Program 2nd Regional (Closing) Workshop, funded by the Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF)