

Eighth Workshop on Environmental Monitoring of Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) in East Asian Countries to be held September 21-22 in Yokohama

Ministry of the Environment of Japan (MOE) will hold the above-mentioned workshop on 21 – 22 September, 2010, in Yokohama (venue: Workpia Yokohama, Yamashita-cho, Naka-ku, Yokohama). Officials and/or experts from 11 countries (Cambodia, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam and Japan) in the East Asia and experts from UNEP, AMAP, UNU and NOWPAP are expected to participate in the workshop.

The workshop has been held annually to build up a framework of monitoring system in East Asian Countries and to continuously collect the POPs monitoring data to contribute to the effectiveness evaluation of Stockholm Convention.

The discussion at this workshop will cover, but not be limited to: (1) future plan for global monitoring including the newly added POPs; (2) review of the monitoring results in FY2009 conducted in East Asian Countries; and (3) future plans for the POPs Monitoring Project in East Asian Countries in FY2010 and beyond, and for the workshops.