

Nagoya Public Forum on Multilayer Partnerships for the Promotion 3Rs in Asia and the Pacific

Call for Increased Participation of Private and Business Sector in Expanding Waste Management Services in Developing Countries

Nagoya International Centre (NIC) Building (Annex Hall)
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I. Background

The Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific is a joint and flagship initiative of UNCRD and Ministry of the Environment of Government of Japan to help promote 3Rs (reduce, reuse, and recycle) for moving towards a resource efficient Asia. The Hanoi 3R Declaration (2013-2013) agreed at the Fourth Regional 3R Forum in 2013 provides an important basis and framework for Asia-Pacific countries to develop 3R policies, programmes, projects, including required 3R infrastructure development in partnerships with private and business sector.

With the theme of "Multilayer Partnerships and Coalition as the Basis for 3Rs Promotion in Asia and the Pacific", the Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Public Works of the Government of Indonesia, the Ministry of the Environment of Japan (MoEJ), and the United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD) co-organized the Fifth Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific from 25 to 27 February in Surabaya, Indonesia.

The Forum was attended by approximately 500 participants, comprising of government representatives from thirty-three Asia-Pacific countries (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, People's Republic of China (hereinafter, China), Cook Islands, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Republic of Korea (hereinafter, Korea), Lao PDR, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, the Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, and Viet Nam), representatives from various UN and international organizations, scientific and research organizations, non-governmental organization (NGO)s, representatives from the private and business sector, and local observers and professionals on waste management, among others.

The participating countries recognized the importance of multilayer partnerships and cooperation for the implementation of the 3Rs and unanimously adopted the "*Surabaya 3R Declaration on the Promotion of Multilayer Partnerships and Collaboration for the Expansion of 3Rs in Asia and the Pacific*". The Surabaya 3R Declaration calls for country to country cooperation, south-south-north cooperation, city to city and inter-municipal cooperation, industry to industry cooperation, government and NGO/CSO cooperation, public-private-partnerships, among other forms of partnerships, towards effective implementation of 3Rs.

With this background, the Nagoya Public Forum calls for increased participation of private and business sector in expanding 3R capacity and waste management services of developing countries and municipalities in realizing a liveable and resource efficient society in Asia and the Pacific.

II. Objective

The objective of the Nagoya Public Forum is to -

- (i) brief the general public and private and business sector on the outcome of the Surabaya 3R Forum with an objective to public awareness on the current situation in Asia-Pacific;
- (ii) share various capacity issues and other gaps in developing countries with an objective to encourage private sector engagement in expanding waste management services of the developing countries;
- (iii) help generate Japan wide interest among the private and business sector for their active participation in future 3R Forums to demonstrate their latest know-how and technologies vis-à-vis to have meaningful dialogue with senior policy makers from the region in exploring feasible business/PPP opportunities as a win-win solution.

III. Expected Participants

The Forum is open to general public and potential Japanese private sector and companies, NGOs, and research institutions in the areas of 3Rs/waste management.

IV. **Total Capacity:** 200 (maximum) on a first come-first serve basis.

V. **Participation Cost:** No fees

VI. **Contact Address**

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VII. Programme and Agenda Items

Time	Agenda Item	
13:00-13:30	Registration	
13:30-14:10	Opening Session	
	Welcome & Opening Remarks (10 min) - Ms. Chikako Takase, Director, UNCRD - Mr. Senta Morioka, Vice-Governor, Aichi Prefecture Government Keynote Address (30 min) <i>Japan's International Cooperation on 3Rs Promotion,</i> <i>Hon. Dr. Ryutaro Yatsu, Vice-Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Japan</i>	
14:10-14:40	<i>Introducing Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific & Outcomes of Hanoi & Surabaya 3R Forum (30 min)</i>	Choudhury Rudra Charan Mohanty, Environment Programme Coordinator, UNCRD
14:40-15:00	Coffee Break / Slide Show on Surabaya 3R Forum	
15:00-15:15	<i>Waste Situation in Nagoya City(15 min)</i>	Mr. Junichi Yoshihara, Nagoya City
15:15-15:30	<i>Engaging Business Sector in Waste Sector – Ground Realities, Constraints and Challenges from Private Sector Perspective – Key Messages for the Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific and IPLA (15 min)</i>	Mr. Koshiro Murahira, CEO of Bio Plaza in Nagoya
15:30-15:45	<i>Reporting the Outcome of NGO Forum (side event) at Surabaya 3R Forum (15 min)</i>	Ms. Yuko Sakita, Asia 3R Citizens Forum
15:45-16:55	Open Discussion (70 min) (Moderated by: Mr. Kazunobu Onogawa, IGES & CRC Mohanty, UNCRD) - Mr. Junichi Yoshihara, Nagoya City - Mr. Koshiro Murahira, CEO of Bio Plaza in Nagoya - Ms. Yuko Sakita, Asia 3R Citizens Forum - Mr. Reiji Hitsumoto, Kitakyushi City - Mr. Jun Daito, Ministry of the Environment <i>Voice of the General Public and NGOs & Interaction ~ How they perceive the waste management issues in developing countries and what the Japanese communities should be cooperating to better address them?</i> <i>Voice from the Private Sector & Interaction ~ What they think as the key barriers vis-a-vis enabling conditions from private and business sector perspective?</i> [It will provide an unique opportunity for the private and business sector to share what they feel about the required enabling conditions for them to effectively engage in expanding 3R capacity and waste management services of developing countries. Their response would help shape the future agendas of the Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific as well as the UNCRD led International Partnership for Expanding Waste Management Services of Local Authorities (IPLA) – a Rio+20 Patnership with more than 220 registered members from 70 countries around the world]	
16:55-17:00	Closing Remarks (5 min)	

