

Linkage of the BAQ 2006 and EST Forum Process

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Better Air Quality (BAQ) Workshops







BAQ workshops have had great impact on raising the profile of AQM in Asia.

Since 2001, when BAQ started in Hong Kong about 2,000 decision makers have participated in 4 BAQ workshops.

BAQ workshops have helped to shape policy processes in CAI-Asia member countries and cities.





BAQ 2006 Introduction

- It is expected that over 9,00 persons from more than 35 countries worldwide will participate.
- It is co-organized by:
 - Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Indonesia
 - Yogyakarta City
 - Yogyakarta Special Region
 - Clean Air Initiative for Asian Cities (CAI-Asia)
- BAQ 2006 will be the largest international workshop on urban air quality in Asia







Objectives and Theme

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- Review the current status of air quality management (AQM) in Asia
- Provide updates on emerging trends and challenges in urban AQM in Asia and in other parts of the world
- Improve the science on which AQM in Asia is based
- Contribute to the strengthening of the governance structure for urban AQM in Asia
- Develop stronger stakeholder networks on AQM in Asia
- BAQ 2006's theme is A Celebration of Efforts! to pay tribute to what has been achieved in air quality management in Asia while highlighting the efforts that are still required to improve air quality in Asia



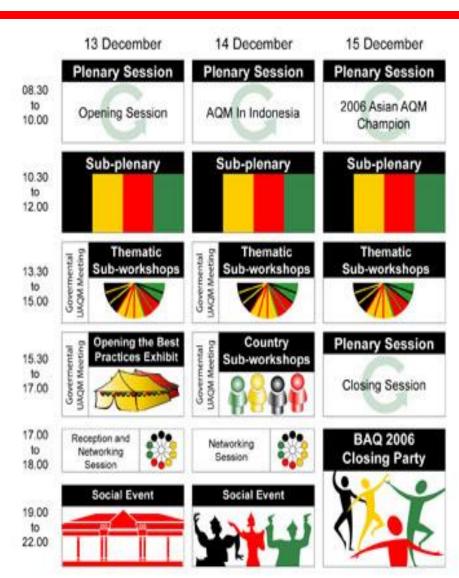


Conference Format



Plenary Session in BAQ 2004

- Pre-BAQ events will be held on 11-12 December 2006
- BAQ 2006 Sessions will be divided into four major streams:
 - General AQM
 - Mobile Sources
 - Stationary Sources
 - Global Issues







Governmental Meeting on Urban Air Quality in Asia

- The Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Indonesia will co-organize with the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), UNCRD and CAI-Asia the first Governmental Meeting on Urban Air Quality in Asia in the afternoons of 13 and 14 December
- Senior national and local government officials will gather with the goal to support the efforts of Asian governments to arrive at more optimal air pollution abatement strategies.
- In support of the meeting Country/City Synthesis
 Reports are prepared by CAI-Asia for all Asian countries
 including the city of Hong Kong in close cooperation with
 national and local stakeholders in these countries and
 city.





Yogyakarta Statement

- Yogyakarta Statement is planned which will record the shared concern on urban air quality management, the need for harmonization and the value of sharing information:
 - Development of a vision on UAQM in Asia for 2020
 - Review of ambient air quality standards and air pollution indices (APIs)
 - Development of fuel quality road maps and energy efficiency in the transport sector
 - Future use of hydrogen
 - Co-benefits of urban AQM and climate change mitigation
 - Eco-housing
- Yogyakarta statement makes reference to Aichi Statement and calls for support for implementation of the Aichi Statement.
- It is planned that the Statement will be endorsed by the participating countries





Linkages between EST Forum and BAQ (1)

- Joint planning makes it possible to increase participation. Many of the participants of 2nd EST forum will be participants in BAQ 2006 and vice-versa
- BAQ 2006 will have large number of technical and policy presentations in EST core areas: fuels vehicles, land use and transport planning, public transport, etc.





Linkages between EST Forum and BAQ (2)

- UNCRD is joint organizer of First Governmental meeting
- Government delegates to 2 nd. EST Forum also participants in First Governmental Meeting
- Focus of EST Forum on Environmentally Sustainable Transport – Governmental Meeting on overall Urban Air Quality Management (including EST)
- EST focus on East and South East Asia –
 Governmental Meeting focus on all of Asia
- Yogyakarta statement makes reference to Aichi Statement and calls for support for implementation of the Aichi Statement.





Cooperation UNCRD - CAI-Asia

- CAI-Asia will continue to support EST Forum process by sharing information and by participating in Forum meetings
- Cooperation with UNCRD/EST on the implementation of EST related activities: e.g. BRT training in Philippines and pre-feasibility study on BRT in Metro Manila
- UNCRD (as Secretariat of EST Forum) is participating in the Sustainable Urban Mobility in Asia (SUMA) program and it is expected that this will result in additional joint activities to promote sustainable urban transport

