



Workshop
Moving Towards Resource Efficient and Zero Waste Cities
for city and local government officials from Semarang City, Indonesia

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Semarang is the capital and largest city of the Province of Central Java in Indonesia. Semarang's population is around 2 million people, making it the sixth most populous city and fifth largest city in Indonesia after Jakarta, Surabaya, Bandung and Medan. The high-level city officials and heads of various government departments and industry associations are part of a delegation led by the Mr Adi Tri Hananto, Semarang City Regional Secretary.

Developing cities and municipalities face major challenges in promoting resource efficiency and zero waste policies and programs. City authorities need to consider appropriate policies and programs to overcome these challenges and barriers in integrating resource efficiency and zero waste in the overall city policy, planning, and development. Partnerships should be promoted through better municipal governance to take full advantage of the private sector dynamism in turning waste into useful resources. This workshop investigates how city authorities and municipalities can work with other key stakeholders in promoting zero waste policies and programs.

The workshop conducted by Dr Sunil Herat, Head of Environmental Engineering, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, is one of many such workshops on waste management delivered around the world by Dr Herat. A knowledgeable practitioner, he provides training in Municipal Solid Waste Management, Hazardous Waste Management and Cleaner Production & Eco-efficiency, with a special emphasis on developing and emerging nations. Dr Herat is a member of the Expert Subsidiary Group of UNCRD's Regional 3R Forum for Asia providing his expertise on sustainable management of electronic waste (e-waste).

The workshop is a joint initiative, co-hosted by the International Partnership for Expanding Waste Management Services for Local Authorities (IPLA) and Griffith University and supported by UNCRD. IPLA, which is coordinated by UNCRD, serves as a dynamic knowledge platform and a decentralized network to share knowledge, communicate across boundaries, working to spread best practices in waste management. Griffith University serves as a Sub-Regional Secretariat of IPLA for Australia and New Zealand, working with its partners to disseminate information and promote research in the areas of waste management and sustainable environments.