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## **UPDATE**



[ASEAN-China Cooperation]

### Chinese Delegation Attended the 11th ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on the Environment

The 10th ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting was held on 29th August, 2014 in Vientiane, Lao PDR. Delegates from Ministry of Environmental Protection of China attended the meeting. Chinese Delegation expressed the will to further strengthen environmental cooperation with ASEAN and introduced the formulation of the ASEAN-China Strategy on Environmental Protection Cooperation (2016-2020), the implementation of ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Action Plan II (2014-2015), the organization of ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Forum, the implementation of ASEAN-China Green Envoy Programme, the promotion of Biodiversity and Ecological Protection Cooperation, progress on Environmental Technology and Industry Cooperation and development and implementation of Joint Research Programs etc.

### Chinese Delegation Attended the 2nd Officials Meeting for the 4th East Asia Summit Environment Ministerial Meeting

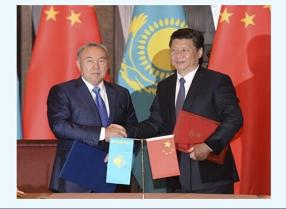
The 2nd Officials Meeting for the 4th East Asia Summit Environment Ministerial Meeting (EAS EMM) was held on 29th August, 2014, in Vientiane, Lao PDR. This meeting reviewed the outputs of the 3th EAS EMM, discussed the preparation for the 4th EAS EMM and reviewed the main activities conducted under the cooperation framework. ASEAN Secretariat introduced the implementation of the 3rd EAS EMM outputs and pointed that EAS EMM is a platform of committing Singapore Declaration and promoting performance. It was determined that the 4th EAS EMM would be held on 31th October, 2014, back-to-back with the 13th ASEAN Plus Three Environment Ministerial Meeting in Lao PDR.

### [SCO-China Cooperation]

### China, Kazakhstan to Play the Role of China-SCO Environmental Cooperation Center to Promote Regional Sustainable Development

China and Kazakhstan said on 19th May, 2014 that they would consolidate and enhance cooperation and communication on environmental cooperation under the SCO framework, and China-SCO Environmental Cooperation Center (CSEC) should be brought into play to promote regional sustainable development.

The pledge was made in a joint declaration issued on that day during the China visit of President of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev, who is here for the upcoming 4th CICA summit and a state visit at the invitation of Chinese President Xi Jinping.







[Regional Cooperation]

### The 12th NOWPAP DINRAC Focal Points Meeting Held in Beijing



The 12th Focal Points Meeting (FPM) of Data and Information Network Regional Activity Center (DINRAC) under the Northwest Pacific Action Plan (NOWPAP) was held on 16-17th June, 2014 in Beijing. The meeting aims to review the progress made after the 11th FPM, discuss the project implementation plan over two years of 2014-2015.

Delegations from focal points of China, Japan, Korea and Russia and international organizations attended this meeting.

### Africa-China Environment Ministerial Dialogue held in Kenya

Africa-China Environment Ministerial Dialogue was held on 25th June, 2014, in Kenya, jointly organized by UNEP, MEP China and African Environmental Ministers Meeting. Mr. Zhou Shengxian, Minister of MEP China led the Chinese delegation attended this meeting. Mr. Zhou Shengxian, Mr. Achim Steiner, Action Director General of UNEP and undersecretary of UN and Mr. Khaled M. Fahmy Abdel Aal, Minister of Environment Affairs Egypt attended and addressed this meeting. Merely 40 organizations from African countries and UN including 120 participants attended.



Mr. Zhou proposed three suggestions. Firstly, upgrade Africa-China Environmental Cooperation and build dialogue platform. Secondly, continue deepening Africa-China Environmental Cooperation, build platform for Africa-China Green Envoys Programme. Thirdly, conduct practical ecological environmental cooperation between Africa and China, build platform for environmentally sound technology communication.

CAEC attended this meeting.





### The Proposal of Building APEC Green Supply Chain Network was approved in The APEC 2014 The Third Senior Official's Meeting

The proposal of Building APEC Green Supply Chain Network was put forward by China and initiated by Canada, Malaysia and Chinese Taipei. Its main task is to promote green supply chain network building through conducting research, jointly building demonstration pilot center, building website, and information sharing and so on, around the issue of green supply chain.



This proposal was approved by APEC 2014 The Third Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM3) held on 20-21th August, 2014, in Beijing, China.

CAEC (CSEC) attended this meeting and provided support for this approval.

### Nineteenth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) of NEASPEC

The 19th Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) of NEASPEC (North-East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation) was concluded on 23 September 2014 in Moscow after two days of discussion.

Organized by ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office serving as the NEASPEC Secretariat and hosted by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation, the meeting brought together delegates from various ministries and agencies of member States, including Foreign Affairs, Environment, Forestry, Ocean and Fishery and actively negotiated on the future direction of a range of activities.

The most notable progress made at the meeting were formalizing target protected areas and operational modality of the North-East Asia Marine Protected Areas Network (NEAMPAN) established during the last SOM and launching the Low Carbon City Platform.

Participants also agreed to finalize a long-term strategic plan for NEASPEC in the next SOM, which has been under consultation with member States.

# The 15th GTI Consultative Commission Meeting successfully concluded in Yanji, China

17 September 2014, The 15th GTI Consultative Commission Meeting (CC) was successfully held on 17 September 2014 in Yanji, China. The Meeting was co-chaired by Mr. Wang Shouwen, the GTI CC Chair and the Assistant Minister of Commerce of China, and Mr. Alain Noudehou, UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative in China.





The Vice Ministers of Mongolia, ROK and Russia, and the representatives from the related Ministries, institutes, local governments of Northeast Asia, investment institutions, as well as international organizations including the UNIDO, UNESCAP and GIZ attended the meeting.

The GTI member states reviewed the overall progress of GTI activities since the 14th CC Meeting in 2013. The meeting adopted eight new project proposals, including four in the energy sector, two in the transport sector, one in the tourism sector and one in the agriculture study, and endorsed the establishment of two institutional bodies under the GTI framework, namely, the GTI Research Institutions Network, and the NEA National Chambers Association.

During the meeting, the joint sessions with the representatives from NEA EXIM Banks Association and international financial institutions, and the NEA Local Cooperation Committee were conducted. The Yanbian Declaration was adopted at the end of the meeting. Immediately after the conclusion of the meeting, the government of Republic of Korea took the role of GTI CC Chairmanship. The 16th CC meeting will take place in ROK in 2015.

### The Business Meeting with China Companies held in Changsha, China

The 8th China-LAC Business Summit was held on 13th September 2014, in Changsha, China. As a side event, the Business Meeting with China Companies——Environmental and Social Responsibility Best Practices to Successfully Invest in LAC was held, jointly hosted by MEP China and the Inter-American Development Bank, organized by CAEC and China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT).



This meeting conducted policy dialogue around environmental and social problems confronted by LAC and communication about best practices.

Ms. Song Xiaozhi, Deputy Director General of Department of International Cooperation, MEP China, and Ms. Zhou Guomei, Deputy Director General of CAEC attended and addressed this meeting. Mr. Castro, Ex-Minister of Ministry of Environment of Costa Rica, participants from Export-Import Bank of China, Academy of Macroeconomic Research of NDRC, Chinese Academy of International Trade and Economic Cooperation, China International Contractors Association, The Nature Conservancy, business and related environmental agencies in China and Brazil attended this meeting.





### The APEC Cooperation Network on Green Supply Chain was Approved in the 22nd APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting

Chinese President Xi Jinping hosts and addresses the 22nd Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Leaders' Meeting held in Beijing, capital of China, Nov. 11, 2014.

The 22nd APEC Economic Leaders' Declaration was released during the meeting, in which the leaders declare to value the APEC High-level Roundtable on Green Development and its declaration, and agree to establish the APEC Cooperation Network on Green Supply Chain. They endorse the establishment of the first pilot center of APEC Cooperation Network on Green Supply Chain in Tianjin, China, and encourage other economics to establish the pilot centers and advance related work actively.

### [Information About CAEC]

### CAEC and Heinrich Boell Foundation Signed Cooperation Agreement

CAEC and Heinrich Boell Foundation Signed Cooperation Agreement on 20th June, 2014, in Beijing. During their meeting, Mr. Guo Jing, Director General of CAEC, Ms. Zhou Guomei, Deputy Director General of CAEC and Ms. Christina Sadeler, Chief Representative of HBF introduced the development history and main work of their organizations, and reached agreements on promoting Asian environmental cooperation. Mr. Guo Jing and Ms. Christina signed MOU after the meeting.



### **Green Supply Chain Cooperation Workshop**

On 27th August, 2014, Mr. Zhang Jianyu, who is in charge of China Programme of American Environmental Defense Fund, visited CAEC and had the meeting with Ms. Zhou Guomei, Deputy Director General of CAEC.

This meeting introduced the approval of the "APEC Green Supply Chain Cooperation Network Initiative" by APEC the Third SOM, and discussed the implementation of the initiative, and the research in the network building and national environmental management.





### CAEC and UNEP Had the Meeting on Strengthening Environmental Cooperation

During the ASEAN-China Environmental Cooperation Forum (2014), Mr. Guo Jing, Director General of CAEC and Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Regional Director and Representative for Asia and Pacific of UNEP had the meeting on strengthening environmental cooperation. Mr. Guo Jing welcomed Mr. Kaveh's visit and briefly introduced recent progress on China-ASEAN Environmental cooperation. Mr. Kaveh expressed the will to strengthen cooperation with CAEC. They agreed that the cooperation area can be combined with the new ASEAN-China Cooperation Strategy and more communication will be needed.







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