

## Invest in Clean Air to reduce air Pollution from cities and open burning Invest in #CleanAirNow

**5 September 2024 (09:00-17:00, UTC+7)**

Conference Room 4, United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok, Thailand (Hybrid)

<b>UNEP webpage</b>	<a href="#">Here</a>
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<b>Online participation (Zoom)</b>	The online link will be shared with those who have registered

### Tentative Agenda

Time	Agenda
<b>1. Regional Forum: Mobilizing Finance to Accelerate Air Quality and Climate Change Co-Benefits for Asian Cities (09:00-12:00)</b>	
09:00 – 9:15	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Jihyun Lee, Senior Program Officer, UNEP</li> <li>Mr. Curt Garrigan, Chief of Section, Economic Affairs, UNESCAP</li> <li>Mr. Bjarne Pedersen, Executive Director, Clean Air Asia (<a href="#">online/video</a>)</li> </ul>
<b>Session 1. Innovative Solutions and Funding Mechanisms for Clean Air and Climate Actions</b>	
09:15 – 9:35	<b>Setting the Scene:</b> Co-benefits approach to air quality management and climate change mitigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Precious Benjamin, Sustainable Cities Lead, Clean Air Asia</li> <li>Ms. Yumi Yasuda, Section Chief of Air Environment Division Environmental Management Bureau, Ministry of Environment of Japan (<a href="#">online</a>) (TBC)</li> </ul>
09:35 – 10:05	<b>Case Study:</b> Co-benefits strategies for the agricultural/industrial/residential sector; decarbonization strategies for the transport sector; fostering urban partnership for sustainable development: Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) and the City-to-City Collaboration Program (C3P) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Prapas Luengsirinpha, Director, Environment Department, Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (TBC)</li> <li>Dr. Nguyen Duy Binh, Deputy Head of the Division of Meteorology, Hydrology, and Climate Change, Ho Chi Minh City Department of Natural Resources and Environment (TBC)</li> </ul>
10:05 – 10:15	<b>Presentation:</b> Government and private sector partnerships for clean air and climate action <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Hiroshi Takahashi, Director, Financing Programme Group, Global Environment Centre Foundation (GEC) (<a href="#">online</a>)</li> </ul>
10:15 – 10:45	<b>Panel Discussion with Speakers</b>
10:45 – 10:55	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>Session 2. Crafting Sustainable Solutions</b>	
10:55 – 11:25	<b>Blueprint Blitz: Mapping out of Solutions</b>

11:25 - 11:55	<b>Output Sharing and Feedback</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City Representatives from Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Vietnam</li> <li>Ms. Yumi Yasuda, Section Chief of Air Environment Division, Environmental Management Bureau, Ministry of Environment of Japan (<a href="#">online</a>) (TBC)</li> <li>Ms. Karma Yangzom, Principal Environment Specialist, ADB (TBC)</li> </ul>
11:55 – 12:00	<b>Closing Remarks and Way Forward</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Yu Kamei, Director of the International Cooperation Office, Environmental Management Bureau, Ministry of Environment Japan (<a href="#">online</a>) (TBC)</li> <li>Ms. Precious Benjamin, Sustainable Cities Lead, Clean Air Asia</li> </ul>
12:00 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>2. Invest in Solutions to Reduce Open Burning for Clean Air (13:30-17:00)</b>	
13:30 – 13:35	<b>Introduction</b> by Master of Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Eunyoung Seo, Urban Air Quality Consultant, UNEP</li> </ul>
13:35 – 13:45	<b>Setting the Scene:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introducing “Hub of Talents on Air Pollution and Climate (HTAPC)” Mr. Wiparat Dee-ong, Director, National Research Council of Thailand (NRCT)</li> </ul>
<b>Session 1. Overview of the Biomass Open Burning Issues and the Available Solutions</b>	
13:45 – 15:05	<b>Presentation:</b> overview of transregional air pollution issues originating from biomass open burning; review of non-burning technologies and innovation; and effective monitoring and assessment of forest and land fires in several parts of the world <b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Vanisa Surapipith, HTAPC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Supat Wangwongwatana, Director, HTAPC</li> <li>Ms. Maria Katherina Patdu, Associate Program Officer, UNEP</li> <li>Mr. Heekwan Lee, Professor, Incheon National University, ROK (<a href="#">online</a>)</li> <li>Mr. Veerachai Tanpipat, Senior Expert Faculty Member of Forestry, Kasetsart University, Thailand</li> </ul>
15:05 – 15:10	<b>Q &amp; A</b>
15:10 – 15:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>Session 2. Solution-oriented approach to reduce open burning</b>	
15:30 – 16:50	<b>Presentation:</b> Addressing Fire, Smoke, and Haze: community-based fire management approach, regional efforts and investment framework to reduce open burning of biomass, and integrated and effective solutions to agricultural land fires <b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Thongchai Kanabkaew, Vice-Dean Faculty of Public Health, Thammasat University, Thailand <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Marina Tornorsam, Regional Project Manager, RECOFTC</li> <li>Mr. Nathan Borgford-parnell, Science Affairs Coordinator, Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC)</li> <li>Mr. Faizal Parish, Director, Global Environment Centre, Malaysia (<a href="#">online</a>)</li> <li>Mr. Ekachai Lojanaphiwat, Project Manager, GIZ</li> </ul>
16:50 – 16:55	<b>Q &amp; A</b>
16:55 – 17:00	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Supat Wangwongwatana, Director, HTAPC</li> <li>Mr. Sanghoon Lee, Counsellor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to Thailand</li> </ul>