Tentative agenda for the Asia and the Pacific Regional Workshop on the Implementation of UNFCCC Article 6 (Days 3, 4 and 5)

Introduction

- The Conference of the Parties, at its eighth session (COP 8, New Delhi, India, October/November 2002), a five-year work programme on Article 6 of the Convention was adopted and named the "New Delhi work programme". Within this five-year framework, Parties have agreed on a list of activities that could be undertaken at the national level to enhance climate focused education and training programmes and increase the availability and dissemination of information on climate change, thereby improving public understanding and participation in addressing climate change issues.
- 2. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA), at its seventeenth session, reaffirmed that regional workshops could be a means of further developing and implementing the New Delhi work programme on Article 6, and that such workshops could advance the work on assessing needs, identifying priorities, sharing experience and exchanging information on related activities (FCCC/SBSTA/2002/13, para. 52 (b)).
- 3. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI), at its eighteenth and subsequent sessions, reiterated the need for regional workshops on Article 6 and, and at its twenty-first session, the SBI welcomed the offer of the Government of Japan to host the Asia Pacific regional workshop back-to-back with the Asia-Pacific Seminar on Climate Change(FCCC/SBI/2004/19, para. 64).

Purpose and objectives

- 4. The purpose of the workshop is to promote the further development and implementation of the New Delhi Work Programme on Article 6 in the Asia Pacific (AP) region.
- 5. The objectives of the workshops are:
 - 5.1. To share ideas and experiences on national and regional Article 6 activities
 - 5.2. To develop options and strategies for strengthening and expanding these activities
 - 5.3. To promote greater regional and international cooperation on implementing the New Delhi Work Programme in AP.

Expected outcomes

- 6. The expected outcomes will be:
 - 6.1. To identify progress in implementing FCCC Article 6 activities in the region
 - 6.2. To help identify areas where progress is slow, not known, or not existing
 - 6.3. To identify specific opportunities for international and regional cooperation
 - 6.4. To make recommendations for further action and further promote the implementation of the New Delhi work programme.
 - 6.5. To promote partnerships with all sectors of the economy.

Tentative Agenda

	Opening session		
	Welcome and opening		
9:00 - 10:20	 Chair of the workshop - [TBD] UNFCCC secretariat Government of Japan: Representative of OECC Government of Japan: Representative of MOEJ Government of Australia: representative of MOA[TBD] Chair of the APS [TBD] 		
10:20 - 10:40	Coffee Break		
Session I – Setting the Scene – General introduction			
10:40 - 10:50	Introductory remarks by the Chair of the workshop		
10:50 - 11:30	Background		
	 ✓ UNFCCC secretariat (background and context) ✓ UNEP (background and insights from questionnaire) 		
	Session II – Panel discussions on activities and lessons learned		
	n of case studies and national experiences complemented by comments from cellists and followed by questions and answers session from the floor		
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Day 4: Wednesday, 14 September 2005

9:00 - 9:30	Introduction to the working groups			
	Session IV – Working g	groups		
Two small-group parallel working sessions to identify strengths, barriers, and opportunities and strategies to overcoming those barriers				
9:30 - 11:00	Working group A:	Working group B:		
	Public Awareness, communication, and public access and participation	Education and training/International and regional cooperation		
11:00 - 11:20	Coffee break			
11:20 - 13:00	Working group A	Working group B		
	(Resumed)	(Resumed)		
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch			
Session IV – Working groups (resumed)				
14:30 - 16:00	Working group A	Working group B		
	(Resumed)	(Resumed)		
16:00 - 16:20	Coffee break			
	Session V – Reports from Wo	rking groups		
Present	tation of reports from working groups fo	llowed by general discussions		
	✓ Report Working group A			
16:20 – 17:20	✓ General discussion			
17:20 - 18:20	 ✓ Report Working group B 			
	✓ General discussion			
18:20 - 18:30	Conclusions of day 4			

Day 5 - see tentative agenda for the Asia Pacific Seminar.

General information

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