EPA'S INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES PROGRAM

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The Integrated Environmental Strategies (IES) Program of the US EPA is a program aimed at helping developing countries identify policies and technologies that reduce local air pollutants while at the same time reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The program promotes the analysis and local support for implementation of policy measures with multiple public health, economic and environmental benefits. The program has been active 8 countries so far: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, India, Mexico, the Philippines and South Korea.

In this presentation we will discuss the experience of countries that have participated in the program, analyzing the environmental and social benefits of integrated policies and measures, such as clean energy technologies, energy efficiency, and public transportation. While the program engages local researchers as well as policy makers, the emphasis of the talk will be on the assessment tools and local capabilities that the program helps developing in the participating countries.