

PH to host a high-level meet on environmentally sustainable cities

The Philippines will host this September 29-30 an international conference dedicated to promoting urban environmental sustainability.

The 11th High-Level Seminar on Environmentally Sustainable Cities will take place via Zoom and will be hosted by the Environmental Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources as the co-organizer together with the Ministry of Environment of Japan and Institute of Global Environmental Strategies.

The conference is held annually to gather together influential policymakers, experts and practitioners working on clean, green and sustainable cities in East and Southeast Asia.

Since 2010, senior officials from environmental and urban ministries, city authorities and development partners in the region have met in various Asian cities to share and promote the latest ideas and initiatives on sustainable city development.

They also exchange knowledge and explore collaboration potential, and develop specific recommendations to the East Asia Summit Environment Ministers Meeting, which includes ASEAN environment ministers, on practical cooperation activities on environmentally sustainable cities.

For its 11th edition, the conference will focus on localizing the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), not only SDG 11 on making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable but HLS also covers the topics related to SDG 4 (quality education), SDG 8 (decent work and economic growth), SDG 10 (reduced inequalities), SDG 13 (climate action) and SDG 16 (peace, justice and strong institutions), and SDG 17 (partnerships for the Goals).

This is in line with the call of the United Nations to end poverty and improve health education through strategies that spur environmentally-sound economic growth attuned to global efforts on climate change adaptability and resiliency, including ocean and forest conservation.

The annual conference is regularly attended by participants from Japan, China, Korea, Australia, New Zealand, India, Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, and the Philippines. #

II. Registration

To National Focal Point of EAS, AWGESC, the ASEAN SDG Frontrunner Cities Programme and his/her representatives, moderators, speakers, and other invitees.

Please register yourself from the following website. A unique meeting ID will be sent to each registered participant. The meeting ID cannot be share with others. Those who make registration from the following site has the assess of microphones and camera and screen sharing.

<https://jp.surveymonkey.com/r/CFHVP6X>



To other participants:

(1) For those who want to join the meeting from your organization and local governments, please register from the link or HLS website (<https://www.hls-esc.org>). The registered participants from the following link has the access to chat box/Q&A box for leaving comments.

- [Opening Session - 11th High Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities \(29 September\)](#)
- [Thematic Segment - 11th High Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities \(29 September\)](#)
- [Closing Session - 11th High Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities \(30 September\)](#)

If you have any questions, please contact the Secretariat (11HLS@iges.or.jp)

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