

# Concept of the **Asia-Pacific Gateway** to Climate and Development

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# Background

## Ideas to establish a Platform came from...

- ▶ UNFCCC Asian regional workshop on Adaptation, Beijing, China (April 2007)
- ▶ Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD15)  
Japan's Statement  
"Mainstreaming adaptation into development strategies is key"  
ESCAP Statement  
"Policies for linking energy for sustainable development, industrial development, air pollution/atmosphere and climate change"
- ▶ The 17<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Seminar on Climate Change (APS27)  
"Proposal on Establishing an "Regional Platform on Co-benefits Approach and Integrated Adaptation" and **participant countries supported the idea.**



# Focal Areas

## Regional Context of the Selected Focal Areas

### ▶ Co-benefits Approach to GHG Reduction

AP is the world's largest center of economic growth, and still a big appetite for expanding its economic scale. Addressing persistent poverty, local environmental pollution, and energy security etc is a higher priority.

Co-benefits Approach (Development Benefits & Climate Benefits ) is a useful and relevant approach to developing Asia -Pacific

### The Idea Supported by Developing Countries



# Focal Areas

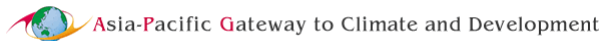
## Regional Context of the Selected Focal Areas

### ▶ Integrating Adaptation to Development

Development is being at risk by negative impact of climate change. (To ensure benefit of investment to development, adaptation concerns must be integrated, when planning and implementing development activities)

As AP is presumed to be highly vulnerable, adaptation is a matter of urgency.

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## AP Gateway (structure)

### AP Gateway to Climate and Development

Co-benefits (Focal Area)

Adaptation (Focal Area)

Knowledge Pool Function

Council Function

Project Formulation Function

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Co-benefits Home    Your location: home > Co-benefits > Knowledge Pool

## Key Functions – Knowledge Pool

AP-Gateway provides you to useful information and/or tools to promote your C activities.

- Implementation Manual**

Catalogue for Identification of Co-benefits Projects to GHG Reduction and Local Environmental Improvement

**Water:** Co-benefit-based climate change countermeasures and CDM in the water field

**Air:** Co-benefit-based climate change countermeasures and CDM in the air pollution field

**Waste:** Co-benefit-based climate change countermeasures and CDM in the waste management field
- Quantifiable evaluation methodologies**
- Other key info**

Useful Link

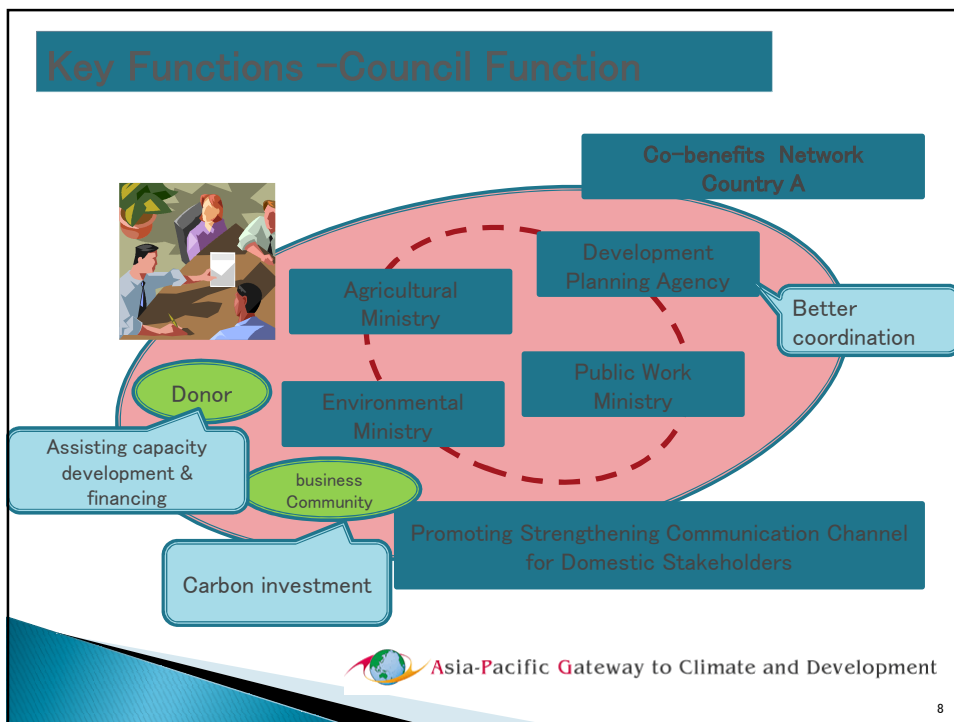
Ministry of the Environment, Center, Japan (OECC) released Co-benefit Approach Addressing Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation (2.4MB)

Co-benefit Approach: Development Needs-oriented Efforts Address Climate Change and CDM.

[www.climateanddevelopment.org](http://www.climateanddevelopment.org)

- Good Practices of Co-benefits Projects
- Project Development Manuals
- Other Key Policy Tools

are downloadable.....



## Key Functions – Project Formulation

### ▶ Project Development

Potentials of co-benefits projects (such as Clean Development Project: CDM) may be assessed in certain sectors (Water & Air Pollution abatement, Waste Management, Energy Efficiency etc.)

For CDM projects, there are some public schemes (e.g. Feasibility Study Support Scheme of MOEJ) can be available, IF projects meet appropriate conditions.

Some private parties are interested, and better communication for project formulation is desirable.


## Kick-off Meeting

### What do you expect?

- ▶ Establishing a common understanding of key issues on the focal areas.
- ▶ Initiate informal dialogues between different stakeholders (international and domestic) for cooperative actions.
- ▶ Getting a useful feedback for better operation of the Gateway.

**Thank you !**

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