Asia Smart City Conference in Yokohama

Many Asian countries have been achieving remarkable economic growth in the past decades. At the same time, the sharp increase of urban population and rapid expansion of urban areas have caused serious problems. Under such circumstances, development and upgrading of urban infrastructure, such as water, sewage, traffic management and energy saving technology, is an urgent necessity.

On the other hand, "Green Growth", which aims to tackle global warming while promoting sustainable economic growth, has been attracting attention as a new business model. And many cities on this planet have begun to practice "Smart City", packaging various cutting edge technologies like introduction of renewable energy, energy management system at home, industry and region, city traffic, lifestyle of citizens and so forth, to establish a low carbon society.

The City of Yokohama believes that the promotion of the environmentally kind Smart City Concept, with the better use of "Green Growth", is essential for Asian cities to build up livable and sustainable society, as the City of Yokohama has overcome the same kind of urban problems in the past.

We also believe that an international venue to promote "Smart City" concept focusing upon emerging Asian cities has a great benefit to all these cities.

Therefore, the City of Yokohama will host "Asia Smart City Conference" with the attendance of mayors and representatives of Asian cities during the world class event, "Smart City Week 2012", which will be held in Yokohama at the end of October 2012.

As the conference will be taken place for the first time, we would like to share information to promote the smart city concept, facilitate discussion to establish the best practices and strengthen city to city cooperation that eventually will go a long way to create healthy and pleasant dwelling environment in Asian cities.

The discussed contents will be disseminated in Japan and internationally as a "Declaration" after the conference. The City of Yokohama hopes to hold this conference regularly so that the Yokohama will become a platform for the Smart City technologies among the cities of emerging Asian countries.



Fumiko Hayashi Mayor City of Yokohama

Technical Tour

Date: Tuesday October 30 1030-1700

Language: Japanese/English translation is available during the tour

Places to visit:

- Kanagawa Waste Water Treatment Plant
- HEMS (Home Energy Management System) demonstration and Compact EV (Electric Vehicle) demonstration in Minatomirai 21 District
- Isogo Thermal Power Plant

Conference

Date: Wednesday October 31 900-1200

Venue: Pacifico Yokohama Room 503

Language: Simultaneous Japanese/English translation is available

- Opening Remarks by the Mayor, City of Yokohama
- Key Note Speech

Mr. Toshio Kato

Secretary General, Regional Revitalization Bureau

Cabinet Secretariat Government of Japan

- Presentation by participating cities
- Comments and summarization
- Confirmation and approval of "Asia Smart City Declaration"
- Closing Remarks

Reception

Date: Wednesday October 31 1200-1300

Venue: Ballroom, InterContinental Yokohama Grand

Participants: Asia Smart City Conference participants

Smart City Week 2012 participating Companies

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Declaration

Date: Wednesday October 31 1400-1420 Venue: Pacifico Yokohama Main Hall

Related Events:

Smart City Week 2012

Date: Conference Oct.29 to Nov.2

Exhibition Oct 31 to Nov.2

Venue: Pacifico Yokohama

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Yokohama Day

Date: Nov.1 1330-1630

Venue: Pacifico Yokohama Room 501, 502

Content: - Opening speech by Mr. Takashi Suzuki,

Deputy Mayor of the City of Yokohama

- Introduction of Major Projects for Smart City

Development of Yokohama City

- Business Matching with Private Sector Firms and International Organizations

Participating Cities

| City/ Org. | Country |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Bangkok Metropolitan Administration | Thailand |
| City of Cebu | Philippines |
| Colombo Municipal Council | Sri Lanka |
| Da Nang People's Committee | Vietnam |
| Jakarta Capital City | Indonesia |
| City of Kitakyusyu | Japan |
| City Government of Makati | Philippines |
| City of Makassar | Indonesia |
| Municipal Council of Penang Island | Malaysia |
| Suva City Council | Fiji |
| Yangon City Development Committee | Myanmar |
| City of Yokohama | Japan |

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Suva

YokohamaKitakyusyu

Da Nang
Bangkok

Colombo

Makassa