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North-East Asia Clean Air Partnership

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**REPORT OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE SCIENCE AND POLICY  
COMMITTEE OF NORTH-EAST ASIA CLEAN AIR PARTNERSHIP**

1. The Sixth Meeting of the Science and Policy Committee (SPC) of the North-East Asia Clean Air Partnership (NEACAP) convened in Incheon, Republic of Korea on 24 September 2024.
2. The Meeting was attended by SPC members from China, Japan, Mongolia, the Republic of Korea, and the Russian Federation, as well as representatives of NEACAP Technical Centres (TC) from China and the Republic of Korea (Annex 1. List of Participants).
3. The Meeting was opened by Mr. Ganbold Baasanjav, Head of UNESCAP East and North-East Asia Office (ESCAP-ENEAO). He recognized the pivotal role the SPC plays in shaping NEACAP's direction and aligning the diverse interests of member States, emphasizing the secretariat's strong reliance on their guidance and active involvement.
4. In adherence to the Rules of Procedure for the Science and Policy Committee of NEACAP, the Meeting elected the Chair and Vice-Chair for the sixth meeting of SPC (SPC-6) as follows:  
  
Chair: Mr. Yu Lei  
Director  
Institute of Atmospheric Environment Planning  
Chinese Academy of Environment Planning  
  
Vice-Chair: Mr. Jung Hun Woo  
Professor  
Graduate School of Environmental Studies  
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5. The Meeting adopted the provisional agenda without any amendment (Annex 2. Agenda).

6. The Meeting discussed the outcomes of the First Policy Dialogue held on 23 September 2024, which aimed to present the preliminary findings of the NEACAP Policy Analysis Report to policymakers and stakeholders from member States as well as the SPC members and TC representatives. The Dialogue provided an opportunity to seek substantial insights and comments to enhance the report for submission to the 27<sup>th</sup> Senior Officials Meeting (SOM-27) of NEASPEC, as advised during SOM-26. The Meeting noted that the secretariat will prepare a concise summary (2-3 pages) of the outcomes of the First Policy Dialogue to be included in the document set for the reference of SOM-27. To this end, the first Policy Dialogue provided suggestions on points to be reflected in the summary.

7. The Meeting reviewed the follow-up on the outputs of NEACAP SPC-5 and discussed the NEACAP Activity Plan for 2024 and 2025. The Meeting was briefed on the outcomes of the Symposium 2024 – Climate Change and Air Quality Management held on 10 September 2024 in Seoul. The National Air Emission Inventory and Research Center (NAIR) of the Republic of Korea, a newly added TC, co-hosted the Symposium in collaboration with ESCAP. Going forward, the Meeting requested the secretariat to facilitate communications of the planned activities under NEACAP for consultation with SPC members and TC representatives.

8. Taking note of the advice from SOM-26 that the clear roles of TCs should be mentioned in the NEACAP Work Plan 2026-2030, the Meeting exchanged initial views about how TCs can contribute to the preparation and implementation of the NEACAP Work Plan 2026-2030. The Meeting noted the successful activities organized by TCs and emphasized that the contribution of TCs is on a voluntary basis. The clear roles of TCs will be discussed during the preparation of the NEACAP Work Plan 2026-2030. The Meeting requested the secretariat to circulate to TCs a questionnaire on their activities (current and planned), areas of interests, and possible modalities of delivering the activities for the preparation and implementation of the NEACAP Work Plan 2026-2030 for the consideration of the 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SPC.

9. The Meeting agreed to hold SPC-7 during the first half of 2025, tentatively in May. The Meeting anticipated to hold intersessional meetings online to prepare the draft NEACAP Work Plan 2026-2030, which will be further discussed at SPC-7. Recognizing the link to the planning of NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030, the Meeting requested the secretariat to provide information on the overall process of preparation.

10. The Meeting requested the secretariat to coordinate with other relevant agencies and mechanisms working on air pollution on the meetings' calendar with the aim to avoid scheduling conflicts and task duplication.

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

11. Following the review and deliberation of the proposed NEACAP Activity Plan for the

remaining 2024 and 2025, based on a discussion paper prepared by the secretariat, the Science and Policy Committee of NEACAP reached the following conclusions and recommendations:

### A. Policy Cooperation

Activity	Details
<b>Finalization of Policy Analysis Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Revision of the Draft Full Report and Preparation of the Draft Executive Summary:</b> Revision of the draft full report based on the comments received during review period and during the First Policy Dialogue. <b>(September - October)</b></li> <li>• <b>Circulation of the Revised Drafts (the Executive Summary and the Full Report):</b> The drafts will be circulated to NEASPEC National Focal Points (NFPs), SPC members and TC representatives for review. <b>(October)</b> Secretariat to set timeline to receive further comments on revised drafts. <b>(10 days after the circulation)</b></li> <li>• <b>Reflecting Comments:</b> Revised drafts will be further updated to address received comments, to the extent possible. The secretariat will prepare the draft concept note for the Second Policy Dialogue planned after SOM-27 for further consideration at SOM-27. The drafts will be included in the SOM-27 document set. <b>(November)</b></li> <li>• <b>Consultation with Member Governments through NEASPEC NFPs before SOM-27:</b> Discuss the draft Executive Summary for adoption at SOM-27. And the full report will be finalized by the secretariat as reference. <b>(November)</b></li> <li>• <b>SOM-27:</b> It is envisaged that the Executive Summary will be adopted at SOM-27. SOM-27 will provide guidance on the Second Policy Dialogue. <b>(December)</b></li> </ul>
<b>Organization of Second Policy Dialogue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus on identifying priorities based on the recommendations under the Executive Summary for the guidance of SPC members and TC representatives in the preparation of the NEACAP Work Plan 2026-2030 and possible activities in 2025.</li> <li>• To be held at an appropriate time to maximize the participation of stakeholders of member governments. The 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Science and Policy Committee (SPC-7) will be held in conjunction with the Second Policy Dialogue.</li> <li>• Indicative timing: First half 2025.</li> </ul>

### B. Capacity Building

Activity	Details
<b>Capacity Building Opportunities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage SPC members and TCs to organize capacity building opportunities such as training workshops based on the recommendations of the Policy Analysis Report.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The secretariat will seek interests of other institutions to organize capacity building opportunities.</li> <li>• The secretariat will support capacity building opportunities organized under NEACAP.</li> </ul>
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### C. Knowledge and Information Sharing

Activity	Details
<b>Symposium</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct a Symposium as an outreach activity to disseminate the key messages of the Policy Analysis Report.</li> <li>• The secretariat will support the symposium organized under NEACAP.</li> <li>• Indicative timing: For discussion at SPC-7.</li> </ul>

Annex 1.



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**Agenda**

- 1. Opening of the meeting**
- 2. Election of officers**
- 3. Adoption of agenda**
- 4. Discussion on the outcomes of the First Policy Dialogue**
- 5. Review of follow-ups on the outputs of NEACAP SPC-5 and discussion on NEACAP Activity Plan for 2024 and 2025**
- 6. Clarification of roles of Technical Centers**
- 7. Date and provisional agenda of the next regular SPC meeting or ad hoc meeting**
- 8. Other issues**
- 9. Adoption of the meeting report**
- 10. Closing of the meeting**

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