



NATIONAL REDD+ STRATEGIES IN ASIA & THE PACIFIC

PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES

UNFCCC Official Side Event

Wednesday, 6 October 2010, 18:00-19:30

Harbin Room, Tianjin Meijiang Convention and Exhibition Center

Tianjin, People's Republic of China

The Asia-Pacific region continues to lead efforts in preparing for REDD+ with 13 countries currently preparing national REDD+ strategies. These strategies will play a key role in shaping national planning and implementation, and ultimately whether or not this climate change mitigation approach succeeds.

While progress is encouraging, immense governance challenges remain. REDD+ strategies must guide legislative reform and enforcement, interagency coordination, broad-based and meaningful stakeholder consultation and engagement, and creation of a transparent and accountable REDD+ system at the global and national levels.

The Asian Development Bank and RECOFTC – The Center for People and Forests – invite participants at the Tianjin climate change talks to join our side event to explore progress being made in developing national REDD+ strategies in key Asian and Pacific countries. The session aims to facilitate dialogue among stakeholders on emerging issues facing these and other countries as they prepare for REDD+ implementation.

Agenda

18:00-18:10	Opening Presentation: Survey of Progress and Challenges in Developing National REDD+ Strategies in Asia and the Pacific <i>ADB representative</i>
18:10-18:30	Country Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Indonesia - Nur Masripatin, Ministry of Forestry</i>• <i>Lao PDR - Khamsene Ounekham, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry</i>• <i>Others</i>
18:30-19:00	Panel Discussion <i>Ben Vickers (RECOFTC), Thomas Paka (PNG Ecoforestry Forum), Charles McNeill (UN-REDD), Patrick Verkooijen (FCPF), Dirk Gaul (GEF)</i>
19:00-19:20	Open Forum
19:20-19:30	Wrap-Up and Closing Remarks <i>ADB & RECOFTC</i>

Light fare and drinks will be served

