

**Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS)
Working Group on Environment 3rd Semi-Annual Meeting
(WGE - SAM 3)
13 January 2009, Vientiane, Lao PDR**

Agenda

Objectives:

- 1) To review and endorse the cluster concepts under the Supplementary RETA 6289
- 2) To report on the progress of the Core Environment Program, the implementation of the five components, program developments and future plans

Tuesday, 13 January 2009		
Chair: Mrs. Keobang A Keola – WREA, Co-Chair: Mr. Urooj Malik, ADB		
TIME	TOPIC	LEAD
08:00 – 08:30	Registration	
08:30 – 09:00	Session I: Welcome and Agenda Setting	
08:30 – 08:40	Welcome by Host Country	H.E. Mr. Noulinh Sinbandhit, Vice Minister, Prime Minister's Office / Deputy Head of WREA
	Opening Remarks by Co-chair	Mr. Urooj Malik, ADB
08:40 – 08:50	Agenda Setting	Mrs. Keobang A Keola, WREA
08:50 – 10:00	Session II: Program Progress and Updates	
08:50 – 09:30	Country Highlights: 2008 Key Milestones	WGE Focal Points
09:30 – 10:00	CEP Progress & Budget Status to-date - Discussions	Mr. Dawood Ghaznavi, EOC
10:00 – 10:15	Coffee Break	
10:15 - 15:00	Session III: CEP/BCI: Program Design and Development for 2008-2011 Presentation & Discussion of CEP/BCI Program Priorities	
10:15 – 10:45	Presentation and discussions on Activity Concept 1: Golden Quadrangle Integrated Approach to Tourism, Climate Change & Environmental Performance Assessment	WGE Representative
10:45 – 11:15	Presentation and discussions on Activity Concept 2: NSEC Eastern Corridor BCI Start Up and Institutional Capacity Strengthening (PRC, Guangxi; Viet Nam)	WGE Representative

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11:15 – 11:45	Presentation and discussions on Activity Concept 3: Integrated Spatial and Strategic Approach to Facilitate Sustainable Development in the East West Economic Corridor	WGE Representative
11:45 – 12:15	Presentation and discussions on Activity Concept 4: SEC/EWEC II Integrated Approach to SEA, BCI, and EPA on GMS Southern Economic Corridor (SEC)	WGE Representative
12:15 – 12:45	Presentation and discussions on Activity Concept 5: Institutional Development and Capacity Building for the GMS	WGE Representative
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch Break	
13:45 – 15:00	Discussions on the five concepts	Chair
15:00 – 16:30	Session IV: Drafting and Finalization of the WGE-SAM3 Resolutions (w/ coffee break)	
15:00 – 16:00	Drafting of the WGE-SAM 3 Resolutions by the WGE Member Countries	Chair
15:00 – 16:00	Note: During the meeting on resolutions by the WGE members, coffee will be served in the hall to all meeting participants.	
16:00 – 16:25	Confirmation of Resolutions of the WGE-SAM3	Chair
16:25 – 16:30	Confirmation of Date and Venue of the 15 th WGE Annual Meeting	
16:30 – 17:45	Session V: Partnerships	
16:30 – 17:00	Presentation on Progress, Achievements and Future Direction ¹	TAP Member/s
17:00 – 17:15	Partnerships in the Making	Mr. Pavit Ramachandran, EOC
17:15 – 17:30	Discussions	Chair
17:30 – 17:45	Closing Remarks by Chair and Co-Chair	Mrs. Keobang A Keola, WREA Mr. Urooj Malik, ADB
19:30	Dinner hosted by WREA, Lao PDR	

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¹ The agenda item was not realized due to the absence of the TAP. The donors made a joint donors' statement during this time.