

## Provisional Programme

Time	Sessions								
09:00 – 09:15	<p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Guangzhou Municipal Development and Reform Commission</li> <li>➤ Guangzhou Institute of Energy Conversion of Chinese Academy of Science</li> <li>➤ United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)</li> </ul>								
09:15 – 11:45	<p><b>Theme 1: Progress and prospect of Guangzhou's Green and Low-carbon Development Strategy</b></p> <p>The session reviews progress and prospect of Guangzhou's low carbon strategies drawing from various perspectives including experience in other cities.</p>								
09:15-09:45	<p><b>Overview Presentations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Guangzhou Institute of Energy Conversion of Chinese Academy of Sciences</li> <li>➤ innovative Green Development Program (iGDP)</li> </ul>								
09:45-11:15	<p><b>Panel discussion</b></p> <p><u>[Questions for Panel Discussion]</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on the local characteristics of the city, what are the core factors (both advantages and challenges) that influence a city's preparation of a low-carbon development plan? How do we effectively take advantage or address these factors in developing Guangzhou's strategy plan?</li> <li>• What are the opportunities and challenges facing low-carbon plan implementation in the context of government restructuring?</li> </ul> <p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 40%;">YANG Xiu</td> <td>National Center for Climate Change Strategy and International Cooperation (NCSC)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ZHUANG Guiyang</td> <td>Institute for Urban and Environmental Studies Chinese Academy of Social Sciences</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LIAO Cuiping</td> <td>Guangzhou Institute of Energy Conversion of Chinese Academy of Sciences</td> </tr> <tr> <td>XIANG Dingxian</td> <td>Wuhan Energy Conservation Supervision Center</td> </tr> </table>	YANG Xiu	National Center for Climate Change Strategy and International Cooperation (NCSC)	ZHUANG Guiyang	Institute for Urban and Environmental Studies Chinese Academy of Social Sciences	LIAO Cuiping	Guangzhou Institute of Energy Conversion of Chinese Academy of Sciences	XIANG Dingxian	Wuhan Energy Conservation Supervision Center
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13:00 – 17:55	<p><b>Theme 2: The Medium- and long-term pathways for urban green and low carbon development and supporting mechanisms</b></p>								

	<p>Industrialized and urbanized countries like Japan and South Korea have accumulated various experience in achieving balanced economic, social and environmental development. Sharing experiences from cities in Japan and Republic of Korea, two sets of questions will be addressed in the following sessions.</p> <p><b>Session One: The Medium- and long-term pathways for urban green and low-carbon development</b></p> <p>Representatives from Japan and Korea in the process of their industrialization and urbanization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are their medium and long-term framework, especially the vision, issues and strategies of this framework?</li> <li>• How to ensure the sustainable development of urban economy and society under the constraints of energy, environment and climate change during the strategy formulation process?</li> <li>• What are the new characteristics, trends and directions of the medium and long-term strategy?</li> <li>• How to ensure the feasibility and regulatory assessment mechanisms for medium and long-term strategy?</li> </ul> <p>China's low-carbon pilot cities, especially economically developed cities, need to propose more ambitious goals in the transformation of economic development. Thus, this session will address questions including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to ensure the sustainable development of urban economy and society under the constraints of energy, environment and climate change during the strategy formulation process?</li> <li>• How to ensure the feasibility and regulatory assessment mechanisms for implementing the strategy?</li> <li>• What are key characteristics of medium- and long-term strategy in Chinese cities (framework, content, objectives, and strategic areas, etc.)?</li> <li>• What opportunities and challenges Chinese cities are facing in the development of mid- and long-term strategies?</li> <li>• What international experiences Chinese cities can learn from?</li> </ul>										
13:00 – 13:45	<p><b>Presentation:</b> (15 mins each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ YU Jung Min, Seoul Energy Corporation</li> <li>➤ CHO Ji Young Incheon Climate &amp; Environment Research Center</li> <li>➤ KIM Seonyoung, Gwangju Metropolitan City</li> <li>➤ JIANG Kejun, Energy Research Institute</li> </ul>										
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15:35 – 17:55	<p><b>Session Two: market-based mechanism/financial support for urban green and low-carbon development</b></p> <p>Cities account for most of the world’s carbon emissions. Despite the progress in carbon emission reduction and forward-looking policies and support from the central government, they still face obstacles urban green and low carbon development. Highlighting cases of cities from China, Japan and Korea on key market-based mechanisms to support financially low-carbon development, the following questions will be addressed;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are the current market mechanisms (green finance and carbon market) effectively driving the urban green and low carbon strategy?</li> <li>• What are the opportunities and challenges for the implementation of urban green and low-carbon strategies? How to deal with these challenges and to seize these opportunities?</li> </ul>											
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