

## Annex II.

### [Draft] Questionnaire for NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2021-2025

North-East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation (NEASPEC) was established in 1993 as a subregional follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development. As the comprehensive intergovernmental cooperation framework in North-East Asia with a membership of six countries: China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), Japan, Mongolia, Republic of Korea (ROK) and the Russian Federation, NEASPEC has adopted a multi-disciplinary and multi-sectoral approach to address transboundary environmental issues in the subregion as well as issues of common concerns.

For the preparation of the strategic plan 2021-2025, NEASPEC wishes to collect views of major stakeholders the performance, long-term goals and approaches of NEASPEC.

Therefore, the NEASPEC Secretariat would like to seek your valuable opinions on the topics.

*For further information of NEASPEC, please refer to [[www.neaspec.org](http://www.neaspec.org)]*

## QUESTIONNAIRE

This survey questionnaire will be used strictly and only for the purpose of preparing the NEASPEC strategic plan for the next five years.

**Instructions:** Please complete the following questions to reflect your opinions as accurately as possible and to the best of your knowledge. Your personal information will be kept strictly confidential.

### **A. General**

1. Please provide your name, title, organization and nationality. (*optional*)
  - Full name:
  - Position title:
  - Organization:
  - Nationality:
  - E-mail:
  
2. What is your professional background and area of specialization? Please delete or add as appropriate.

<u>Professional background</u>	<u>Area of specialization</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Academic <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> International organization <input type="checkbox"/> NGO <input type="checkbox"/> Research Institution <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)	[NEASPEC programme areas] <input type="checkbox"/> Nature conservation <input type="checkbox"/> Air pollution <input type="checkbox"/> Desertification and land degradation <input type="checkbox"/> Low-carbon city <input type="checkbox"/> Marine protected areas

### **B. Evaluation of the Implementation of the Strategic Plan 2016-2020**

**Instruction:** NEASPEC Secretariat would like to seek your view on its implementation of the Strategic Plan 2016-2020 *if you have participated in any NEASPEC activities*. Please kindly refer to the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2016-2020<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> The document is available to download at [http://www.neaspec.org/sites/default/files/NEASPEC%20Strategic%20Plan\\_after%20SOM20.pdf](http://www.neaspec.org/sites/default/files/NEASPEC%20Strategic%20Plan_after%20SOM20.pdf)

## Achievements and challenges

1. To what extent would you consider NEASPEC has achieved its strategic goals and approaches?

	Items	Below Expectations	Partially Meets Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Far Exceeds Expectations
Goals	Enhance coordinated actions to address subregional environmental challenges	①	②	③	④	⑤
	Mobilize mutual support to manage domestic environmental issues in member States	①	②	③	④	⑤
	Contribute to the implementation of national, regional and global goals, in particular, environment-related Sustainable Development Goals	①	②	③	④	⑤
Approaches	Strengthen the science-policy linkages	①	②	③	④	⑤
	Operate effective platforms and networks for member governments and other major stakeholders	①	②	③	④	⑤
	Focus on joint actions to maximize the efficiency and impact of subregional cooperation	①	②	③	④	⑤
	Support knowledge sharing and capacity development among member governments and other stakeholders	①	②	③	④	⑤
	Identify and enhance potential linkages between NEASPEC and subregional programmes and regional and global goals	①	②	③	④	⑤

2. What would you consider as the most important achievements of NEASPEC?

<input type="checkbox"/> Joint project and action <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity building <input type="checkbox"/> Opportunities for exchanges of information, knowledge and experiences <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify)
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3. Which of the following do you think is a most dominant challenge that NEASPEC faces?

<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership with national stakeholders <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational structure and governance modality <input type="checkbox"/> Funding modality and financial sustainability <input type="checkbox"/> Relationships with other sub/regional mechanisms <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify)
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*Identity/Rationale/Relevance*

1. To what extent has NEASPEC been relevant to the needs and priorities of member countries and subregion in environmental cooperation?

<b>Below Expectations</b>	<b>Partially Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Exceeds Expectations</b>	<b>Far Exceeds Expectations</b>
①	②	③	④	⑤

2. To what extent has NEASPEC been relevant to fulfil its mandate of supporting environmental cooperation in the subregion?

<b>Below Expectations</b>	<b>Partially Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Exceeds Expectations</b>	<b>Far Exceeds Expectations</b>
①	②	③	④	⑤

*Effectiveness and efficiency*

1. To what extent has NEASPEC provided an effective platform and built up networks for member governments and other major stakeholders to enhance environmental cooperation?

<b>Below Expectations</b>	<b>Partially Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Meets Expectations</b>	<b>Exceeds Expectations</b>	<b>Far Exceeds Expectations</b>
①	②	③	④	⑤

2. How would you assess the institutional arrangements of NEASPEC for effectively delivering the current strategic plans?

<b>Item</b>	<b>Below Expectations (Poor)</b>	<b>Partially Meets Expectations (Fair)</b>	<b>Meets Expectations (Good)</b>	<b>Exceeds Expectations (Very good)</b>	<b>Far Exceeds Expectations (Excellent)</b>
Senior officials Meeting	①	②	③	④	⑤
Secretariat	①	②	③	④	⑤
National focal points/coordination	①	②	③	④	⑤

3. What can be done better to improve the effectiveness of the work of NEASPEC in fulfilling its mandate of addressing environmental priorities in North-East Asia and enhancing linkages between NEASPEC and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development?

### C. NEASPEC Programmes and Activities

Instruction: NEASPEC Secretariat would like to seek your perspectives on its five thematic programmes based on your expertise, and the survey questionnaire results will be reflected towards developing the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2021-2025. Please kindly refer to the part “NEASPEC Programme”<sup>2</sup>, and give us your valuable opinion on your areas of interest.

1. In which areas and activities have you participated?

Areas	Activities
<input type="checkbox"/> Nature conservation (Migratory birds, and feline animals) <input type="checkbox"/> Air pollution <input type="checkbox"/> Desertification and land degradation <input type="checkbox"/> Low-Carbon City <input type="checkbox"/> Marine protected areas	<input type="checkbox"/> Expert Group Meetings <input type="checkbox"/> Joint studies <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Officials Meetings <input type="checkbox"/> Seminar and Workshops <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity Building Trainings <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify)

2. What is your perspective on the previous/current activities that NEASPEC carries out to promote subregional cooperation in your respective field?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied
- Unsatisfied
- Very unsatisfied

3. In order to respond to subregional needs more effectively, which type(s) of actions in your selected NEASPEC programme should be further strengthened? (please select up to three answers)

- Awareness-raising (ex. publication, media exposure)
- Capacity building (ex. training, workshops)
- Information sharing on environmental policies and regulations
- International forum, seminar or meeting

<sup>2</sup> For more detailed information, please visit the official website: <http://www.neaspec.org/>

- Joint research activities
- Regular high-level meeting
- Science-policy interface
- Subregional network or partnership
- Subregional/ multilateral /intergovernmental agreements
- Technology transfer
- Others (please specify)

4. Are there any major issues or new activities that NEASEPC should consider and refer to in the field of your selected programme?

5. Could you suggest an overarching goal for the existing programme for the period (2021- 2025) that NEASPEC should pursue for the subregion? You may wish to identify the global/regional environmental programmes or strategies relevant to this goal.

6. In order to achieve the goal, what kinds of activities should be implemented for the next 5 years (2021-2025) under NEASPEC?

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7. In order to effectively implement the suggested activities, who are the specific key actor(s) you would recommend being involved? Please provide names of organizations or individuals with as much detail as possible, such as contacts, areas of specialty and professional highlights etc.

Programme area:	
Organizations:	
Other information:	

8. Please comment or provide any suggestions for the NEASPEC programme of your concern for next five years.

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**Thank you very much for your time and support for NEASPEC**