NEASPEC North-East Asia Low Carbon City Platform (NEA-LCCP)

1. Background

- NEA-LCCP, an open platform of organizations working on LCC approaches, policies and progarmmes, aims to synergize the works and collectively support municipal authorities in moving towards and continuing to advance LCC
- Two key activities have been implemented since launch in 2016: peer review exercises at municipal level and a comparative study at national level
- iGDP, a Chinese NGO/Think tank is contracted to conduct Peer Review of two cities in China (Wuhan and Guangzhou Cities), to prepare background study, organize peer review workshop and draft Peer Review papers.

2. Comparative study of national polices on low carbon development

a) Objective and key components

- The study aims to (1) generate a comprehensive and systematic overview of national approaches and the current state of low carbon development, (2) identify good practices from cities and provide recommendations, and (3) disseminate the study outputs.
- Key components for comparative study are

Study of Background and Recent Trends	 Low carbon city development at a global, national and local levels
Analysis and comparison	 LCC development modes including planning, approach and evaluation systems
Case Studies	 Selected LCCs in NEA, showcasing a diversity of cities, their challenges and approaches
Identify Good Practices	 Collection of LCC good practices across sectors and cities
Conclusions and Recommendations	Overall LCC development and policy tools

b) Project partners

The comparative study is being implemented under partnerships with a) Innovative Green Development Programme (iGDP), Institute for Global Environmental Studies (IGES) and the Korea Environment Institute (KEI).



(additional information)

The governments of China, Japan and ROK launched a joint study on "China-Japan-Korea cities climate action towards decarbonization and sustainable development" at the Environment Minister's meeting in 2017. KEI and IGES are heavily involved in this research project. ENEA office is closely communicating with IGES to maximize the synergies with the activities on low carbon cities in the subregion.

Timeline	Activity
25 October 2018 in Beijing	Partner meeting during SOM-22 - finalized the methodology and literature review and agreed on the timeline
24 January 2019 in Guangzhou	Progress review meeting -presented each country report with key findings
February – March 2019	Integration of country studies into an overall report on comparative study
12 April 2019 in Incheon	Final Review meeting- discuss recommendations, disseminations
May—July 2019	Editing, designing, and printing
24-25 September 2019 in UB	Present the final report to NEASPEC SOM-23

3. Timeline for the comparative study