

Eighteenth Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) of NEASPEC

5-6 November 2013, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Provisional Programme

1 st day: Tuesday, 5 November 2013	
8:30 - 9:00	Registration
9:00 - 9:30	Opening Session
	• Opening Remarks by Mr. Kilaparti RAMAKRISHNA, Director, UNESCAP East and North-East Asia Office
	• Welcoming Remarks by Mr. BATBOLD Jamsran, State Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Green Development of Mongolia
	Election of officers and adoption of agenda
9:30 - 10:15	Policy issues for sustainable development in North-East Asia
	Statements by delegations of the member States, UN and international organizations on issues related to sustainable development in North-East Asia
10:15 - 10:30	Tea Break
10:30 - 12:30	Review of program planning and implementation
	a) Transboundary Air Pollution
	b) Mitigation of Dust and Sandstorms
	c) Nature Conservation in Transboundary Areas
	d) Marine Protected Areas
	e) Green Development/Green Economy and Eco-efficiency Partnership
	Short presentations to be made by the Secretariat for each thematic area, followed by interventions from delegations of member States.
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	Review of program planning and implementation (Cnt'd)

16:00 - 16:20	Tea Break
16:20 - 17:00	Consideration of new NEASPEC programmes and activities Member States, the Secretariat and international organizations present proposals for new activities to be conducted under the framework of NEASPEC. Each proposal will be introduced with a power point presentation followed by discussions.
2 nd day: Wednesday, 6 November 2013	
9:00 - 10:00	Special Session on Green Development of Mongolia
10:00 - 11:30	Review of issues concerning the institutional arrangements of NEASPEC, and review of the Core Fund
	The session will review the results of a study on institutional arrangements of NEASPEC and the state of the core fund, and discuss options for further strengthening the roles and functions of NEASPEC. Plan for the next SOM and other issues
11:30 - 12:00	Tea Break (preparation of meeting report by the Secretariat)
12:00 - 12:45	Adoption of the conclusions and recommendations, and closing of the meeting
12:45 - 14:00	Lunch