

NEACAP Activity Plan 2026

Objective: By 2030, the North-East Asia Clean Air Partnership, supported by the Science and Policy Committee and designated Technical Centers, is developed as a fully functioning platform facilitating strategic and effective cooperation in addressing air pollution challenges in North-East Asia.

Activities:

A. Knowledge Production: Research and Policy Advice

1. **Initiate analytical work on air quality management and its synergies with climate strategies**

Approach: In line with the output on strengthening collective and transformative actions through joint research focusing on coordinated strategy for improving air quality management and its synergies with climate strategies, preparatory and scoping work in conducting research on air quality management and its synergies with climate strategies will be initiated. These include, among others, (a) consultations on possible research scope; (b) identification of partners / contributors to co-deliver the research; (c) work plan in conducting the research, etc.

Status of Implementation: The analytical work on air quality management and its synergies To be initiated in early Q1 2027, taking into consideration the outcomes of knowledge sharing activities in 2026.

B. Knowledge Sharing: Capacity Building

2. **Organize the NEACAP Symposium and NEACAP Policy Dialogue**

Approach: In line with the output on strengthening information exchange through cross-sectoral collaboration and cooperation to support member countries improve air quality, the NEACAP Symposium will be jointly organized with partner TC(s) and the NEACAP Policy Dialogue will be organized in conjunction with SOM-29, in consultation with SOM-29 host country (Russian Federation).

Status of Implementation: The NEACAP Symposium, co-organized by NEACAP, NAIR and UNEP, will be held on 7 September 2026 in Seoul, Republic of Korea, marking the International Day of Clean Air for blue skies. The NEACAP Policy

Dialogue will be organized following substantive progress in the planned analytical work (A.1), in line with the approach of past NEACAP Policy Dialogues (i.e., First Policy Dialogue, September 2024, Incheon; Second Policy Dialogue, September 2025, Ulaanbaatar).

3. Conduct capacity building activities (e.g. trainings, seminars, workshops, etc.)

Approach: In line with the output(s) on increasing technical collaboration and capacity building assistance through designated Technical Centers (TC) and on strengthening synergies with existing collaborative programmes and mechanisms, capacity building activities will be jointly delivered in close consultation with TC representatives and in coordination with external partners (e.g., EANET).

Status of Implementation: A knowledge sharing activity entitled “*Advancing Clean Air in Asia and the Pacific: Lessons from North-East Asia for Regional Action*” will be held on 2 July 2026 as a side event of the 9th session of the Committee on Environment and Development. The side event is a joint collaboration among China (through the Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences), Republic of Korea (through the National Institute of Environmental Research), NEACAP and ESCAP.

C. Knowledge Dissemination: Outreach

4. Develop outreach / communications kit on NEACAP

Approach: To increase awareness on NEACAP outputs and activities, the following initiatives will be undertaken: (a) develop infographics and other communication materials on the *NEACAP Policy Analysis Report*; (b) feature NEACAP initiatives in knowledge sharing platforms (e.g., *RAPAP Partnership and Coordination Platform, Asia Pacific Clean Air Partnership*); (c) develop joint newsletters / communication materials with subregional platforms (e.g., EANET).

Status of Implementation: Infographics and other communication materials on the *NEACAP Policy Analysis Report* are being developed.

D. NEACAP Science and Policy Committee

5. Organize the Eighth Meeting of the NEACAP Science and Policy Committee (SPC-8)

Approach: The secretariat will consult with SPC members and TC representatives on co-hosting SPC-8.

Status of Implementation: SPC-8 will be held on 3 July 2026 as an associated event of the 9th session of the Committee on Environment and Development.