# CONCEPT NOTE EVENT INFORMATION OF "VIET NAM-JAPAN ENVIRONMENTAL WEEK" SEMINAR & BUSINESS MATCH EVENT & EXHIBITION WEEK OF 13TH DECEMBER 2021

**Organizers :** Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Viet Nam (MONRE) and Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ)

**Co-organizers & Supporters** (TBC) : Embassy of Japan in Viet Nam, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Viet Nam office, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Ho Chi Minh office, the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry (JCCI), the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Ho Chi Minh City (JCCH), the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Da Nang (JCCID), Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam in Japan, Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI), Vietnam Business Forum (VBF) and Local Governments in Viet Nam

Event Secretariat : Overseas Environmental Cooperation Center, Japan (OECC)

#### BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVES

With the social, economic and human impacts of climate change and environmental degradation became increasingly apparent, the world now stands at a pivotal point. A rapid transformation of our society is indispensable to achieve a sustainable and carbon neutral society. Six years since the Paris Agreement and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, governments, municipalities, and private sectors are accelerating efforts, raising ambition and shifting its gear from planning and target-setting to implementation.

Viet Nam's newly announced goal of achieving carbon neutrality by 2050, and the subsequent Joint Statement issued by the Prime Ministers of Viet Nam and Japan in November 2021, as well as the Joint Cooperation Plan on Climate Change exchanged between Minister of the Environment of Japan and Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of Viet Nam, have set a new paradigm of socio-economic transformation in Viet Nam and the corresponding bilateral environmental cooperation between the two countries. To materialize such transformation, engagement of all stakeholders is essential, including central governments, cities, and diverse economic sector entities to consumers. Innovation – in terms of policy, business, and technology – are also equally important drivers of change.

In this context, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Viet Nam (MONRE) and Ministry of the Environment, Japan (MOEJ) will jointly organize a virtual event "the Viet Nam-Japan Environmental Week" in the week commencing on 13th December 2021, with the aim of providing opportunities to discuss our common environmental issues and share innovative and emerging environmental solutions for building decarbonized and sustainable future. The event includes the "*Environmental Solutions Seminars*" (webinars) on various environmental topics, as well as "*Online Exhibition and Business Match*". The entire program will be delivered virtually.

# TARGET PARTICIPANTS

Approximately 1,000 attendees from a very wide range of stakeholder groups including Vietnamese and Japanese governments, intergovernmental organizations, research/academic institutes, NGOs, international/regional organizations and private sector are expected to participate in the event. In the Exhibition, private companies and other organizations from Japan and Viet Nam will present their environmental solutions as exhibitors.

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**Seminars:** Japanese and Vietnamese (Japanese-Vietnamese consecutive interpreter)\*

Exhibition & Business Match: English

XSome sessions will be organized only in English.

# PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE (TBC):

14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Online Exhibition OPEN			
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	DAY1	Environmental Solutions Seminar	Busi	Online
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	DAY2	<ul> <li>Plenary</li> <li>Opening Ceremony</li> <li>Keynote Speech</li> <li>Plenary Session</li> </ul>	siness Match	ne Exhibition
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	DAY3	Environmental Solutions Seminar	tch	ion
27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Online Exhibition CLOSE			

#### SEMINAR

Opening ceremony featuring remarks by high-level figures from MONRE and MOEJ will be followed by keynote speech and seminars. The seminar program also includes, exhibitors' sessions where their environmental solutions will be introduced.

# THEMES OF SEMINAR

Climate change mitigation and adaptation, marine plastics and circular economy, water environment, fluorocarbon management …etc. The latest and detailed program will be made available online shortly.

# ONLINE EXHIBITION & BUSINESS MATCH

- During the Business Match, exhibitors can schedule closed business meetings with visitors and organize webinars targeting number of participants.
- Virtual Business Match event allows event participants (including exhibitors) to make appointments for business negotiations.
- Prospective exhibitors include private companies/organizations based in Japan and Viet Nam who seek to introduce their environmental solutions (by videos, PDF materials, web links, etc.). The materials prepared by the exhibitors will be posted for a certain period after the event.

# **REGISTRATION & EVENT WEBSITE**

- Online Exhibition & Business Match
   Close date for registration: 3 December 2021, 13:00 (ICT)
   Pre-event briefing: 30 November 2021
- Event URL: https://www.jprsi.go.jp/ew2021vn/

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