

Enabling Green Growth in Asia

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A Global Green Growth Agenda

A rapid, large-scale transition is needed if global economic growth is to continue while simultaneously building resilient and sustainable societies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote a sustainable use of resources. This transition has the potential to unlock new growth engines and spur global economic growth.

Green Growth in Asia

The Asian region's booming economy offers tremendous green growth potential but also large and interlinked economic, social and environmental challenges. In recent years, rapid industrialization, intensified agricultural production and urbanization have brought greater prosperity and higher living standards to the region. However, the global challenges of population growth, the pressure on resources and the effects of climate change mean that successful sustainment of the positive developments, as well as the adaptation to – and mitigation of – the rising challenges, will depend greatly on a transition to solutions, where green growth is placed centre-stage and perceived as an integral part of the way forward.

3GF Asian Regional Meeting

3GF will in partnership with Eco-Forum Global (EFG) convene an Asian regional 3GF meeting on the EFG platform in Guiyang, China taking place on 26 June 2015.

The meeting will seek to dive into key Asian and, in particular, Chinese green growth priorities, challenges and opportunities. 3GF will introduce existing global partnerships and introduce the 3GF partnership approach to foster the green transition. Moreover a concrete partnership on sustainable lifestyles will be presented to the Asian context. The partnership, aimed at promoting sustainable lifestyles through testing and upscaling new business models, will illustrate the 3GF partnership model as well as, hopefully, incite Asian engagement in the partnership. As partnerships constitute the core of 3GF, it is also the hope that the presentation can cultivate a regional aspect of the partnership approach and in the longer run serve as a springboard to national and regional exposure for 3GF partnerships.

The meeting will offer exciting insight into green growth opportunities in Asia, the Chinese push for renewable energy as well as a cross-cutting look into 3GF public-private partnerships for green growth. Participants will have the opportunity to access ground-breaking discussions on green growth opportunities in the Asian – Global context and gain practical and applicable knowledge of how 3GF public-private partnerships operate.

In this manner, the talks will shed light on Asian green growth perspectives, possibilities and challenges as well as it will illustrate the applicability of the partnership approach.

3GF global process

The Asian regional conference is one in a series of regional meetings and activities in the African, Latin American and Asian regions throughout 2015. They will support the momentum of key international processes on sustainable development goals and climate – and 3GF will be an innovative and action-oriented platform for implementing solutions in support of these goals. The outcome of the regional meeting will feed into the next 3GF Global Summit to take place in Copenhagen 20-21 April 2016, hosted by the Danish Prime Minister.

The 3GF Approach

3GF seeks to accelerate the transition to a green future by being a global platform that facilitates scalable green growth solutions through an annual process, convening select high-level representatives from governments, business, finance, think tanks, international organisations and civil society in order to push forward innovative partnerships for green growth and share strategic green growth ideas and novel evidence in an informal setting.

3GF – The Global Green Growth Forum

3GF was initiated by the Danish Government in 2011 in collaboration with Korea and Mexico. In 2012 China, Kenya and Qatar joined the partnership. In 2014 Ethiopia became the 7th government partner. 3GF Advisory Board members include: ABB, Alstom, Banco Nacional de Mexico (Banamex), Bidco Group & Kenya Private Sector Alliance and East African Business Council, Danfoss, Hyundai Motors, McKinsey & Company, Novozymes, Samsung C&T Corporation, Siemens, Trina Solar, Vestas, OECD, the International Energy Agency (IEA), UN Global Compact, International Finance Corporation (IFC), Climate Policy Initiative, Global Green Growth Institute, Inter-American Development Bank, World Resources Institute and Centro Mario Molina.

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