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Green Lancang -Mekong Initiative



Mr. ZHANG Wenguo, Director of Department of Nature and Ecology Conservation of MEP delivering remarks



Dr. ZHOU Guomei, Deputy Director General of Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Center delivering remarks



Group photo of the participants for the workshop

International Workshop for Lancang-Mekong Freshwater Ecosystem Management held

On November 16, 2017, the International Workshop for Lancang-Mekong Freshwater Ecosystem Management was held in Beijing. Zhou Guomei, Acting Director General of Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Center, Zhong Yong, Secretary General of Lancang-Mekong Water Resource Cooperation Center, and representatives of the Department of Nature and Ecology Conservation of Ministry of Environmental Protection, attended the meeting and delivered remarks. Nearly 100 people from the Mekong countries' Environment Department and the embassies to China, as well as institutions under the Ministry of Environmental Protection, research institutes, local environmental protection departments, international organizations, enterprises and the media attended the meeting.

Mr. ZHANG Wenguo, Director of Department of Nature and Ecology Conservation of MEP pointed out in the remarks that at the international level, China will actively carry out policy dialogues and exchanges in related fields and hope to help promote implementation of the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Goals through the Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Center in the region.



Mr. ZHONG Yong, Secretary General of Lancang-Mekong Water Resource Cooperation Center delivering remarks



Dr. Tracy FARRELL, Regional Director for Greater-Mekong, Conservation International delivering remarks

Dr. ZHOU Guomei, Deputy Director General of Lancang- Mekong Environmental Cooperation introduced the future planning of Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Center in the remarks. Firstly, the flagship projects of Green Lancang-Mekong initiatives will be launched; secondly, work on environment governance, ecosystem management and environmental information sharing will be conducted in the hotspot region; thirdly, the center will strengthen cooperation with Lancang-Mekong countries in the field of biodiversity conservation, together provide contributions and wisdom to the 15th Conference of the Contracting Parties of the Convention on Biological Diversity , which will be held in China in 2020 .

The International Workshop for Lancang-Mekong Freshwater Ecosystem Management is an important activity of Lancang- Mekong Environmental Cooperation as well as one of the series- conference activities of Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Roundtable Dialogue, which was held on November 15, 2017.

The workshop fully shared the Lancang-Mekong countries' freshwater ecosystem management methods and international experiences and discussed the cooperation prospects of Lancang-Mekong freshwater ecosystem management.

During the workshop, representatives from Lancang-Mekong countries reached the following consensus:

- In the future, relying on the Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Strategy and the Green Lancang-Mekong Initiative as the flagship project, projects and activities related with water governance, ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation will be carried out;
- to strengthen cooperation in the field of biodiversity conservation, to jointly provide contributions to the forthcoming Fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity in 2020;
- to strengthen policy dialogue in areas such as ecological environment management, biodiversity conservation and environmental monitoring cooperation and carry out joint research to promote the concrete implementation of the UN 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.

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