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Conference scene



Delegates participated actively in the discussion



Group photo of participants

### 2019 Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Week

## Parallel Session on Jointly Building the Green Lancang-Mekong Economic Development Belt: Industrial Park Planning and Sustainable Development in Lancang-Mekong Basin

On March 21, 2019, the Parallel Session on Jointly Building the Green Lancang-Mekong Economic Development Belt: Industrial Park Planning and Sustainable Development in Lancang-Mekong Basin of the Lancang-Mekong Roundtable Dialogue on the Outlook for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) took place in Kunming, Yunnan Province under the framework of the 2019 Lancang-Mekong Cooperation Week. The meeting was organized by the International Economic Cooperation Center (IECO) of the Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE) / Lancang-Mekong Environmental Cooperation Center (LMEC), with the support of World Wild Fund (WWF). Representatives from agencies directly under the MEE, environmental departments of Mekong countries, industrial sector, research institutions, local environmental departments, international organizations, businesses and media attended the meeting.

During the event, delegates conducted dialogue and exchanges on such topics as the implications of zero-carbon cities for industrial parks, the environmental policies and management practices of textile industrial parks, cases and experiences of enterprise-involved park construction and environmental impact assessment, and the impetus of green financial innovation to industrial park transformation. Representatives of Lancang-Mekong countries also shared the insights on industrial park planning and environmental impact assessment in respective countries. The meeting reached the cooperative consensus that, in the future, to build a green financial system through more diverse engagement, strengthen the capacity of sustainable development planning and environmental management of industrial parks, and facilitate cooperation in policies and standards for eco-industrial parks, thus contributing to the development of Green Lancang-Mekong Economic Development Belt.

From March 20 to 21, 2019, the Lancang-Mekong Roundtable Dialogue on the Outlook for Strategic Environmental Assessment was held in Kunming as one of the components of the Lancang-Mekong Roundtable Dialogue on Environmental Cooperation.



Mr. LIU Yifeng, Director of China Water Resources Project, WWF



Dr. CHAI Qimin, Director of the International Cooperation Department of NCSC



Mr. SUN Yiting, Deputy Secretary-General of the International Finance Forum/ Director of the Global Green Development Center



Mr. Wai Zin Oo, Deputy Factory Manager /Director of Eco-Industrial Park, No.3 Heavy Industrial Enterprise, Ministry of Industry, Myanmar



Mr. Sok Chea, Deputy Director, Department of Techniques, Science and Technology, General Department of Industry, Ministry of Industry and Handicraft, Cambodia

# **Part of Expert Opinions**

The meeting was chaired by Mr. LIU Yifeng. He introduced the current Industrial Park development in Lancang-Mekong countries, and put forward the following suggestions: 1. To pay more attention to the environmental risks of industrial park; 2. Lancang-Mekong countries would strengthen exchanges and cooperation in legislation and standards, and carry out practical exchanges such as capacity-building; 3. Lancang-Mekong countries would establish normalized communication mechanism to ensure the coherence and stability of communication and cooperation.

Dr. CHAI Qimin introduced China's road map for emission reduction and green development. In the future, China will build low-carbon industrial demonstration zones in 80 countries. He also proposed that China would promote some leading cities in economic and environmental fields, promote and build a lowcarbon economy, and invest more funds to establish low-carbon pilot projects.

Mr. SUN Yiting analyzed three modes of China's green financial system. He introduces the international experience of green finance in promoting regional green development and the experience of China-Southeast Asia green industry investment and financing partnership. It also puts forward that the government standard, project bank, financial docking, international seminar and other aspects will be carried out to implement the industrial parks and other green projects in Lancang-Mekong countries.

Mr. Wai Zin Oo, Deputy Factory Manager/ Director of Eco-Industrial Park, No.3 Heavy Industrial Enterprise, Ministry of Industry, Myanmar, pointed out that the Lancang-Mekong countries should first give full consideration to the existing human resources and capital situation; secondly, consider the existing technological situation; and thirdly, fully recognize the current situation of light industry led by the lack of natural resources.

Mr. Sok Chea, Deputy Director of Science and Technology, Department of Industry, Ministry of Industry and Handicraft Industry of Cambodia, said that Cambodia was implementing industrial planning for the period 2015-2025, and many relevant departments were considering how to balance the contradiction between industrial development and environmental protection. Cambodian industrial enterprises must be assessed and licensed by the government in environmental aspects before they are eligible to participate in EIA work. In addition, the exchange platform for industrial sectors in Lancang-Mekong region should be established to provide environmentally friendly media for technology and technology transfer, and corresponding capacity-building activities should be carried out.



Ms. LI Shite, China National Textile & Apparel Council



Mr. YANG Zheng, Guangxi Bossco Environmental Protection Technology Co.,Ltd



Comments and Discussion

Ms. LI Shite analyzed the management system of China's Textile Industrial Park from three aspects: industry, Park and enterprise. Suggestions are put forward as follows: 1. Establishing sound policy standards and supporting facilities to guide the sustainable development of textile industrial parks; 2. Creating fully functional and well-equipped industrial parks, introducing upstream and downstream enterprises in the industrial chain to give full play to the advantages of industrial pole clustering; 3. Improving the green development level of parks and enterprises through innovation and incentives; 4. Exploring innovative solutions, combining with local regions. On the basis of reducing pollution, the development of ecosystem should take into account the utilization of resources and environment, and improve the surrounding ecological environment.

Mr. YANG Zheng introduced three main characteristics of Lanmei National Industrial Park. In view of these characteristics, Bossco puts forward the concept of environmental protection management service in industrial parks, which provides the layout of the whole industrial chain from EIA to engineering design, construction, operation and finance. At present, there are four modes, one is customized service mode for enterprise parks; the other is to provide environmental stewardship service according to the time limit; the third is to provide professional services for projects; and the fourth is to provide free consultation.

During the comments and discussion, the experts put forward the following suggestions: 1. The planning of industrial parks should be organically combined with environmental impact assessment, focusing on planning and design; 2. Strict management of the atmosphere, wastewater, soil and wastes, construction of monitoring systems and supporting technical support; 3. Strengthen personnel training and capacity-building, enhance safety awareness and strictly abide by national laws and regulations; 4. Give full consideration to the requirements of national industrial policy, cleaner production policy and circular economy, phase out enterprises with high energy consumption and backward production capacity to promote green and low-carbon cycle development of industrial parks; 5. Establish Lancang-Mekong environmental cooperation network and strengthen regional cooperation.

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