

National High Level Policy Dialogue on Sustainable Consumption for Policy Makers and Stakeholders Flash Report

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Venue: Meeting Room 103, Environmental Development Center, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China, Beijing, China

Objectives: To strengthen national SCP policies and capacity with a focus on sustainable consumption in China, this national policy dialogue aims to:

- Provide a platform among different policy makers to share information on sustainable consumption,
- Contribute to building bridges between policy makers and stakeholders so as to encourage collective efforts and mainstreaming of sustainable consumption.

The dialogue involved wide spectrum of participants, more than 60 participants including governments, inter-governmental organizations, UN agencies, private sectors, civil society and academia. It focused on exchanging experiences/practices and discussions among policy makers and stakeholders, including the policy status review and plans, policy research findings, local experience and practices, innovations and business models towards to the transition of sustainable consumption. The strategic recommendations for sustainable consumption policy, gaps and priorities, and some detailed solutions with a focus on reduction of single-use plastics and recycling of plastic packaging waste in logistics and food delivery sectors were proposed by the participants during the in-depth panel discussions and information exchange at this dialogue.



Opening remarks by **Mr. Ren Yong, Director**, Environmental Development Center, Ministry of Ecology and Environment of China (MEE), and **Ms. Dechen Tsering, Director**, Asia Pacific Regional Office, United Nations Environment Programme. **Opening Session** was chaired by Mushtaq Memon, Project Manager of SWITCH-Asia RPAC / Regional Coordinator for Resource Efficiency, United Nations Environment Programme Asia Pacific Regional Office.



Presentations:

The SCP policy status and trends with a focus on sustainable consumption in China was presented by Ms. Zhang Xiaodan, Chief Advisor, Environmental Development Center of MEE.

The EU Funded SWITCH-Asia Programme's support on Sustainable Consumption and Production and SDG 12, was presented by Mr. Mushtaq Memon, Project Manager of the EU Funded SWITCH-Asia RPAC, Regional Coordinator for Resource Efficiency / UN Environment Programme, Asia Pacific Regional Office



Panel discussion I – Strategic outlook with a focus on the needs of the growing middle class, gaps and needs, priorities and roadmap towards the transformation on sustainable consumption in China. The Evaluation on Transition of Sustainable Consumption in China was shared by Dr. Yu Hai; the Working Plan on 'zero-waste' Pilot Cities Program was presented by Dr. Chen Ying; the Green Production Policy and Practice in China was shared by Dr. Mao Tao, and Findings and Feedbacks on Sustainable Consumption Policies from Chain-store Sector was presented by Ms. Wang Wenhua.

From left to right: Dr. Mao Tao, Center for International Economic and Technological Cooperation, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of China (MIIT); Dr. Chen Ying, Solid Waste and Chemicals Management and Technology Center, Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE); Dr. Yu Hai, Policy Research Center for Environment and Economy, MEE; and Ms. Wang Wenhua, Director, Department of Sustainable Consumption, China Chain Store & Franchise Association.



Panel discussion II - the experts' insight: how to improve the systematic strategy and policies on sustainable consumption in China. The Consumption Structure Comparison and Transition Trends in China was shared by Prof. Chen Shaofeng; the Sustainable Consumption Model and Policy in China towards SDGs was presented by Prof. Dong Zhanfeng; Sustainable Consumption in Building with a focus on Energy Consumption was shared by Dr. Hu Shan, Institute for Climate Change and Sustainable Development, Tsinghua University. **From left to right:** Prof. Dong Zhanfeng, Chinese Academy for Environmental Planning; Prof. Jinhui Li, School of Environment, Tsinghua University; Dr. Hu Shan, Institute for Climate Change and Sustainable Development, Tsinghua University; Prof. Chen Shaofeng, Institutes of Science and Development, Chinese Academy of Sciences.



Panel discussion III – local experience sharing and good practice on green lifestyle and waste recycling and management. **From left to right:** Mr. Dong Lin, Director, Solid Waste Management Center, Weihai Municipal Bureau of Ecology and Environment; Mr. He Sheng, Vice Director, Suzhou Environmental Sanitation Administration Agency; Ms. Pan Jiali, head of CSR, Cainiao Network (Logistics) ; Ms. Chen Shanshan, Yidu Municipal Government.



Panel discussion IV – private practices on reduction of single-use plastic packaging and recycling of plastic packaging waste in logistics/food delivery sector. **From left to right:** Mr. Fang Xi, Director Assistant, Development & Research Center of the State Post Bureau; Mr. An Yi, Director, Plastic Packaging Department, China Packaging Federation; Mr. Zhao Kai, Vice President & Secretary General, China Association of Circular Economy; Ms. Yang Bicong, Meituan food delivery Co., Ltd. and Mr. Yang Tianping, Vice-president, S.F. Holding Co., Ltd. (Shun Feng Express).



Summary and Closing and the Support from the EU Funded SWITCH-Asia Programme: Mr. Mushtaq Memon, Project Manager of SWITCH-Asia RPAC / Regional Coordinator for Resource Efficiency, United Nations Environment Programme Asia Pacific Regional Office; Ms. Feng Mei, Project Officer, Delegation of the European Union to China; Mr. Cao Lei, China Environmental United Certification Center.



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