

Workshop on Green Technology Transfer Platform

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Venue: REC Conference Center

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The Paris Agreement was adopted at the 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The agreement sets the global goal to curb the global temperature rise below 2 °C in comparison with the pre-industrial level, while pursuing efforts for 1.5 °C. The second global objective of the Paris Agreement is to make the world economy carbon-neutral after 2050, i.e. to offset the anthropogenic GHG emissions by the removals by sinks in the second half of this century. Tangible actions against climate change are needed more than ever, and paradigm shift of the world technological development towards low-carbon path is the key to the mitigation process. The Article 10 of the Paris Agreement highlights the importance of international cooperation and low carbon technology transfer among various climate change mitigation stakeholders as of utmost importance.

Japan pledged significant carbon reductions in its Intended Nationally Determined Contribution. One of the instruments of meeting the INDC pledges is technology transfer to least developed and developing countries as well as countries with economies in transition, through the bilateral mechanisms of international cooperation.

Information access is among the barriers which constrain effective technology transfer. Private and public stakeholders often struggle with finding reliable information on suitable low carbon technologies, especially given that we live in the world flooded with gigabytes of unfocused and often biased information. On the other hand, innovative technology companies often have limited understanding on the specific needs of the countries and their technology transfer priorities.

The GreenTechTransfer is a web-based neutral platform where Japanese low-carbon business leaders and innovative start-ups can meet public and private stakeholders from South and Eastern European countries and initiate their fruitful technology transfer cooperation.

The web based technology transfer platform developed in the framework is relying on information provided in the Technology Information Clearing House but will address shortcomings of the UN portal and target specific audiences in Japan and South and Eastern European countries.

Timing	Agenda item	Presenters / moderators
9:00 – 9:30	Registration	
9:30 – 13:00	About Technology Transfer	
9:30 – 9:50	Welcome to participants, presentation of agenda and opening remarks	Mr. Eduardas Kazakevicius, Senior Expert, Head of Unit, REC Mr. Kazuyoshi Nakasugi, Embassy of Japan in Hungary
9:50 – 10:20	Technology Transfer as integral part of the Paris Climate Agreement, success stories	Mr. Vladimir Hecl, UNFCCC
10:20 – 10:40	Climate policies and technology needs of Moldova	Mr. Ala Druta, Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment Republic of Moldova
10:40 – 11:00	Climate policies and technology needs of Macedonia	Mr. Sashe Panevski, Macedonian Center for Energy Efficiency, FYR Macedonia
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
11:20 – 11:40	Climate policies and technology needs of Albania	Mr. Gjergji Simaku, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, Albania
11:40 - 12:00	Climate policies and technology needs of Bosnia and Hercegovina	Ms. Branka Knezevic, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations, BiH
12:00 - 12:20	Climate policies and technology needs of Ukraine	Mr. Anatolii Shmurak, Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, Ukraine
12:20 – 13:00	Stakeholders' matchmaking as innovative business model: Lessons learnt from "On the ground" activities Certified technologies as a tool for low carbon development	Mr. Rabhi Abdessalem, IGES, Japan
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 15:30	Technology transfer interactive session	
14:30 – 15:00	GreenTechTransfer website presentation	Mr. Eduardas Kazakevicius, Daniel Florin Mirea, REC, Hungary
15:00 – 15:30	Panel discussion	
15:30 – 15:45	Closing	
18:00 – 20:00	Dinner at Mjam restaurant in Szentendre, Városház tér 2.	