



THIRD ASEM FORUM

"Green Growth and Cooperation in Fisheries and Aquaculture"

BUSAN, 16 - 17 November, 2011

CONCEPT PAPER

Setting the scene

- At the 1st ASEM Forum held in Yantai, China, in 2008, diverse issues were discussed under the theme of ‘Trade and Investment,’ producing meaningful results. At the 2nd ASEM Forum held in Brussels, Belgium, the EU and nations in Asia dealt with four main areas such as IUU Fishing, RFMOs, SPS, and Aquaculture under the theme of ‘Towards enhanced cooperation and better understanding of marine fisheries.’ In particular, the 2nd Forum provided a valuable opportunity for participants to experience a diversity of fisheries products through the 2009 Seafood Exhibition
- The last ASEM SOM approved Busan’s hosting of the 3rd ASEM Forum. The 3rd ASEM Forum is expected to cope with the theme of ‘Green Growth and Cooperation in Fisheries and Aquaculture,’ considering the needs for carbon energy reduction in relation to climate change that has emerged as one of the major global issues.
- As developing nations in Asia have recently enjoyed rapid economic growth, the global consumption of fisheries products soared, forcing more fisheries products to be produced. However, it is true that a worsening maritime eco-system, overfishing, and IUU fishing have prevented fisheries resources from greatly expanding. At the same time, considering that the fisheries industry heavily relies on fossil fuel, the new concept of green growth needs to be actively introduced in order to curtail CO2 emissions and to ensure sustainable growth.
- For the sake of the sustainable fisheries industry, the importance of green growth can not be overemphasized. The reason is that, the use & regulation of carbon energy and the resulting changes in the maritime eco-system have a direct impact on fisheries resources or eco-friendly aquaculture

Objectives

- To discuss and identify, where possible, convergent positions on important areas of common interest in the fishery sector, such as the impact of climate change on fisheries and green growth policy, and cooperative approach to aquaculture

Location and timing

- Bexco BUSAN, KOREA
- Full day event on 16 November, 2011, followed by a guided tour of the Busan International Seafood & Fisheries EXPO (BISFE 2011) on BEXCO, 17 November 2011.

Organization

- Host: Ministry for Food, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.
- Target group: high level officials involved in marine fisheries and aquaculture
- Opening and closing sessions, and suggested dedicated sessions on the following topics:
 - Impact of Climate Change on Fisheries and Green Growth Policy
 - and Cooperative Approach to Ecosystem Aquaculture

Financing

- Korea will provide the premises (BEXCO) and the logistics of the meeting
- Korea will offer a dinner on 16 November, 2011
- A guided tour of the Seafood Exhibition will be organized on 17 November in the afternoon
- Travel and accommodation expenses are not covered

Outputs

- Discussion and identification of way forward with ASEM partners on key areas of mutual interests;
- Exploration of the scope for future dialogue on fishery issues;
- Conclusions and a report will be provided to all participants by KOREA.

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[1st DAY]

(14:00 – 15:45)

Session 1. Impact of Climate Change on Fisheries and Green Growth Policy

- Presentation 1: The Direction of Global Fisheries Policies to Respond to Climate Change
- Presentation 2: The Concept of Green Growth and Future Policy Issues
- Presentation 3: Introduction to Expo 2012 Yeosu Korea

(Discussions)

(16:00 – 17:30)

Session 2. Eradication of IUU Fishing and Cooperation Plans

- Presentation 3: Recent Trends in IUU Fishing and the Response
- Presentation 4: Plans to Support Small-scale Fishing for the Eradication of IUU Fishing

(Discussions)

[2nd DAY]

(10:00 – 12:00)

Session 3. Cooperative Approach to Eco-friendly Aquaculture System

- Presentation 1: Discussions on Eco-friendly Aquaculture System and its Outlook
- Presentation 2: Model Cases of Eco-friendly Aquaculture and Future Cooperation Issues

(Discussions)

(14:00 – 16:00)

Guided Tour of Seafood Exhibition