



# Japan-OECD Policy Forum on Urban Development and Green Growth Agenda (preliminary draft)

## Background

Cities have a unique role to play in creating synergies between environmental and economic objectives, which is essential to advancing “green growth” at national and global levels. Asian cities in particular are at the centre of this urban green growth challenge. Their development is characterised by rapid and continuous urbanisation on an unprecedented scale, with rapid economic growth led in most places by the manufacturing industry and rapidly increasing motorisation. The result has been escalating greenhouse gas emissions, sprawling urban development, inadequate infrastructure and local environmental impacts, as well as disparities in income, education levels and job opportunities in urban populations. This calls for urban green growth approaches that can take into account the specific and very diverse circumstances of Asian cities.

In the search for policy approaches that can promote sustainable urban growth, there are lessons that we can learn from across the OECD. Cities in Japan, in particular, have experienced rapid urbanisation and economic growth in the past and have accumulated policy experience and technologies that could be useful elsewhere. The Japan-OECD Policy Forum on Urban Development and Green Growth (14-16 October 2014, Tokyo, Japan) provides an opportunity to discuss policy options among Asian city leaders, government officials, international agencies and the business community. The three-day Forum consists of an expert meeting organised by OECD on its Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia project (14 October); a high-level policy roundtable jointly organised by MLIT and OECD (15 October) and a site visit arranged by MLIT to urban development practices in and around Tokyo (16 October).

The Japan-OECD Policy Forum on Urban Development and Green Growth is organised as a commemorative event for the 50th Anniversary of Japan's Accession to the OECD. The event is also part of the OECD Knowledge Sharing Platform on Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia and is supported by the OECD Knowledge Sharing Alliance (KSA). It is also supported by the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO).

DAY ONE: Tuesday 14 October 2014 – MLIT International Conference Room

Second Expert Meeting on the Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia Knowledge Sharing Platform

*How to facilitate action for urban green growth by effective use of knowledge sharing?*

	<p>The objective of the Second Expert Meeting on the Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia Knowledge Sharing Platform is to disseminate the past, current and future activities of the OECD project “Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia” among the core Asian cities of the project, other interested cities, national governments and international communities. The Meeting will also be an opportunity to receive feedback from the participants on how to improve the structure of the Knowledge Sharing Platform and the case studies.</p>
TIME	CONTENTS
14:00-14:10	<p><b>Welcome Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martina Kampmann, OECD Knowledge Sharing Alliance</li> </ul>
14:10-15:10	<p><b>I. Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia and its Knowledge Sharing Platform</b></p> <p><i>1. Overview of the Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia project</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tadashi Matsumoto, OECD Urban Development Programme</li> </ul> <p><i>2. The Urban Green Growth in Dynamic Asia Knowledge Sharing Platform (results of the past activities, expectations for the Tokyo Forum, next steps etc.)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loïc Daudey, OECD Urban Development Programme</li> </ul> <p><i>3. Discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback from the City of Bangkok on the Bangkok Knowledge Sharing Workshop (6-7 August 2014)</li> <li>• Inputs from the other case studies of the project on the future workshops</li> <li>• Open discussion on the improvement of the Knowledge Sharing Platform</li> </ul>
15:10-15:30	<p>Coffee break</p>
15:30-17:00	<p><b>II. Learning from Different Knowledge Mechanisms in Practice for Urban Green Growth</b></p> <p><i>1. Knowledge sharing activities undertaken by international organisations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ludovic Bernaudat, Programme Development and Technical Co-operation Division, UNIDO</li> <li>• Stefanos Fotiou, Senior Regional Coordinator, Resource Efficiency and SCP, UNEP</li> <li>• Key speakers (tbd)</li> </ul> <p><i>2. City-to-city collaboration</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key speakers (tbd)</li> </ul>

	<p><b>3. National initiatives for knowledge sharing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ)/ Federal Ministry of Environment (BMU), Germany</li> <li>Key speakers (tbd)</li> </ul>
17:00-17:30	<b>III. Wrap-up Discussion</b>
	<p><b>1. Key elements for successful knowledge sharing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key speakers (tbd)</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Wrap-Up</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Martina Kampmann, OECD Knowledge Sharing Alliance</li> </ul>
17:30-18:00	<b>Networking</b>

**DAY TWO: Wednesday 15 October 2014 – Keio Plaza Hotel, Tokyo**

<p align="center"><b>High Level Policy Roundtable</b>  <i>Sharing Japan's experience on Transit-Oriented Development and other urban development practices with Asian cities</i></p>	
TIME	CONTENTS
10:00-10:15	<b>Welcome Remarks</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issei Kitagawa, State Minister, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT), Government of Japan (tbc)</li> <li>H.E. Madam Phan Thi My Linh, Vice Minister, Ministry of Construction, Viet Nam</li> <li>Deputy Minister, Ministry of Construction, Myanmar</li> </ul>
10:15-10:45	<b>Key Note Speech by the OECD</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rolf Alter, Director, Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate, OECD</li> </ul>
10:45-12:15	<b>Roundtable Session 1: Identifying Opportunities for Urban Green Growth</b>
	<p>Participants will discuss and share their experience on the policy sectors which offer the best opportunities to achieve urban green growth objectives, such as energy, land use, transport, housing and buildings, water resources management, and industrial urban regeneration. The specific role of the private sector in each of these opportunity areas will be paid high attention. The objective is to enhance the understanding and provide policy advice on how these opportunity areas can be fully exploited in view of urban green growth.</p>

	<p><b>Chair</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• José Viegas, Secretary General, International Transport Forum (ITF)/Tetsuo Inaba, Director-General for International Affairs, MLIT, Japan</li> </ul> <p><b>Key speakers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City of Jakarta, Indonesia (Urban transport)</li> <li>• Iskandar Regional Development Authority (IRDA), Malaysia (Urban development)</li> <li>• City of Hai Phong, Viet Nam (Industrial urban regeneration)</li> </ul> <p><b>Roundtable discussion</b></p>
12:30-14:00	<p><b>Lunch Session: Japan's Knowledge and Technologies on Urban Development</b></p>
	<p>During lunch, participants will discuss the knowledge and technologies possessed by the public and private sectors in Japan, related to urban development and green growth. This will help to identify the past and potential future contribution of Japanese companies and the Government of Japan to sustained economic growth with limited environmental impact.</p> <p><b>Chair</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tetsuo Inaba, Director-General for International Affairs, MLIT, Japan</li> </ul> <p><b>Key speakers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Architecture design company :Nikken Sekkei (Transit-oriented development)</li> <li>• Developer :Mori building, Mitsubishi estate, Mitsui Fudosan (Symbiotic cities development)</li> <li>• General contractor: Shimizu corporation (Environment-friendly buildings)</li> <li>• Urban Renaissance Agency (Urban renewal and regeneration)</li> </ul>
14:00-14:30	<p><b>Coffee/Networking</b></p>
14:30-16:00	<p><b>Roundtable Session 2: Implementing Urban Green Growth and TOD in Asian Cities</b></p>
	<p>Participants will discuss how to implement urban green growth and Transit-oriented development (TOD) in a more effective and efficient way. Achieving green growth in Asian cities indeed meets many obstacles, in particular with regard to multi-level governance, financing, policy instruments, capacity-building, etc. The objective of this session is to enhance the understanding and provide policy advice on how these implementation levers can be best utilised to maximise action in view of urban green growth, through the opportunity areas identified during session 1.</p> <p><b>Chair</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Tetsuo Kidokoro, Tokyo University</li> </ul> <p><b>Key speakers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Hiroaki Suzuki (urban planning expert)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relevant Ministries of Asian countries (Thailand, Viet Nam, Myanmar, Malaysia, Indonesia etc.)</li> </ul> <p><i>Roundtable discussion</i></p>
16:00-16:15	Coffee break
16:15-17:00	<b>Roundtable Session 3: Collaborative Actions (in commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Japan's Accession to the OECD)</b>
	<p>Participants will discuss concrete collaborative actions across borders in order to achieve urban development and green growth in Asia, including the role held by the OECD, in commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Japan's Accession to the Organisation. Discussions will focus on the respective experiences of participants on this topic, and on how the OECD can contribute to the sharing of knowledge and expertise between OECD and non-OECD countries. The objective is to understand and provide advice on how to promote collaborative actions, such as city-to-city collaboration, knowledge sharing through peer learning, etc.</p> <p><i>Chair</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rolf Alter, OECD</li> </ul> <p><i>Key speakers</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The World Bank Tokyo Development Learning Centre</li> <li>JICA</li> <li>OECD Country Delegates (Japan, USA, Germany, etc.)</li> <li>Martina Kampmann, OECD Knowledge Sharing Alliance</li> </ul>
17:00-17:20	<b>Wrap-Up Session</b>
	<p>Participants will summarise the discussions of the day and explore possible future actions. The Chair's summary will be proposed and discussed at the end of the session.</p> <p><i>Chair</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issei Kitagawa, State-Minister, MLIT, Japan (tbd)/Rolf Alter, OECD</li> </ul>
17:20-17:30	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issei Kitagawa, State-Minister, MLIT, Japan(tbd)</li> </ul>
18:00 –	<b>Reception</b>

### DAY THREE: Thursday 16 October 2014 – Tokyo, Japan

#### Site Visits

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08:50	Departure from Keio Plaza Hotel, Tokyo
09:30-10:20	Site One: Mitsubishi Estate (Marunouchi Area)
10:30-11:20	Site Two: Shimizu Corporation (Kyobashi Area)
11:20-12:20	Lunch
12:40-13:30	Site Three: Mori Building Company (Tranomom Area)
14:20	Arrival at Haneda Airport