

**Matters are not documented to the REPORT OF THE MEETING (ADOPTED)**

**Aug. 28 2019**

Japan realized that the Working Group (WG) Meeting is an important milestone for EANET to develop the next Medium-Term Plan (MTP). In fact, many meaningful exchange of the views were observed in the WG meeting. The results of the WG meeting was compiled as the REPORT OF THE MEETING, and the report will be submitted to the SAC 19 and IG21 to promote further discussion on development of the next MTP.

Currently, the EANET is facing crucial period to restructure for playing more important role in the world. Because of that, we, Participating Countries are making a big effort to develop the next MTP. In this context, the WG meeting is very much important for EANET to promote and proceed our discussion for the next MTP, and the REPORT OF THE MEETING should be valuable for the following discussion.

However, unfortunately, adopted REPORT OF THE MEETING is quite insufficient because of omission of most discussion contents. For members who did not participate to the WG, it is difficult to comprehend discussion in the WG (essential points of arguments, interest/ apprehension of each country, opinion of each country: agree/acceptable/ need to concern/ disagree) from the adopted REPORT OF THE MEETING.

Comments by Japan and resource persons in the WG omitted to the adopted report are shown as below. We would like to strongly require the secretariat making much more effective and efficient efforts to promote and proceed discussion toward development of the next MTP.

**1. Comments by Japan in the WG**

Some comments by Japan in the WG are failed to be noted to the REPORT OF THE MEETING as follows;

(Agenda 4: Highlights of Recommendations of the Mid-Term Review Report on the Implementation of the Medium Term Plan for the EANET (2016-2020))

- ✓ Recommendation 16 refers to the need to focus more on the solution to acidification and air pollution.
- ✓ It is also important to promote activities related to emission inventories and

modeling as described in Recommendation 5.

(Agenda 5: Presentations of Ideas of Participating Countries for the Next MTP for the ENAET (2021-2025))

-Indonesia's presentation

- ✓ In the discussion, it was clarified that Indonesia have an interest in not only acid deposition but also air pollution, especially, relationships of acid deposition, air pollution (PM2.5, ozone, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, etc.) and other factors (vegetation, solar light, etc.).
- ✓ In the discussion, it was mentioned from Indonesia that they agree to expand the scope of EANET to air pollution and mainly conduct activities regarding to air pollution, while activities in the next MTP would be better to focus several matters.

(Agenda 6: Potential Collaboration with EANET)

-APCAP's presentation

- ✓ Japan thanks to the solution report developed by APCAP and CCAC last October. The solution report shows the results of impact assessment and solutions for air pollution in the Asia-Pacific region. It is crucial for the related international organizations and interregional frameworks to share their roles and cooperate with each other based on the report to make efficient and effective use of limited.
- ✓ The strength of the EANET is to acquire high-quality monitoring data and accuracy management, while APCAP has interests to implementation of clean air measures. In light of the relationships between EANET and APCAP, the collaboration would be possible that development of emission inventories referring to EANET high quality data and to take measures based on the emission inventories.

-CAA's presentation

- ✓ In the discussion, the information fundraising by CAA was shared. In detail of that, attractive proposals for industrial sector regarding to air pollution including energy field are submitted to industries and raises finances. And a project including technology transfer is conducted based on MoU exchanged with an industry which can provide contribution to the project.

## **2. Comments by resource persons in the WG**

Some comments by resource persons in the WG are also failed to be noted to the REPORT OF THE MEETING as follows;

- ✓ The EANET has focused on acid deposition for 20 years, though the topic of acid deposition is already lost global attention in recent years. On the other hand, there are many countries with suffering from air pollution in East Asia region because of direct effects on human health, and implementation of clean air measures becomes urgent need. Based on this circumstances, expansion/ shift to the activities regarding to air pollution is quite reasonable. And 2019 which is the last year of current EANET MTP (2016-2020) is considerably important for EANET future.
- ✓ Many countries mentioned expansion of the scope from acid deposition to air pollution. Renaming would be also necessary.
- ✓ Cooperation between researcher and policy decision maker is crucial and there are two ways for promotion of cooperation; outreach and linking of air pollution and SDGs having high interest in the world. Since EANET has core budget which is quite limited to utilize, new project fund is the key to achieve more flexible applications.