

The Twelfth Session of the Working Group
on Future Development of the EANET
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Draft Proposal on the Presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and Resource Persons for Their Contribution to the EANET

I. BACKGROUND

1. The network of acid deposition monitoring in East Asian region has been successfully established and operated by the Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia (EANET) for almost 15 years. After more than ten years of regular phase activities of the EANET from January 2001, the Instrument for Strengthening the Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia (EANET) was adopted at the Twelfth Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG12) on the EANET in November 2010 and commenced on 1st January 2012 in accordance with the Decision by the IG12 (DECISION 1/IG.12).
2. The EANET with its long history has been well recognized by international community as one of the most successful and sustained initiative and network on atmospheric environment issues in Asia. With the operation of the Instrument for Strengthening the EANET on 1st January 2012, the operation and implementation of the EANET regional activities including the activities of the Secretariat and the Network Center (NC) have been financed by the voluntary contribution from all participating countries signed the Instrument whereas national activities have been financed by the participating countries. The Instrument for Strengthening the EANET has been used as a basis for the participating countries to make voluntary financial contributions as it was originally intended to.
3. During the Fourteenth Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG14) on the EANET in Yangon, Myanmar, November 2012, the IG14 discussed the contributions to the current success of the EANET mentioned above which have been provided by experts, scientists, and resource persons who have dedicated oneself to the EANET activities for more than 10 years. It was then agreed by the IG14 that the EANET should award the recognition of these valuable contributions through a presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to those experts, scientists, and resource persons. The IG14 then tasked the Secretariat to draft a proposal for such a presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to be submitted to the Fifteenth Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG15) on the EANET in 2013 for its consideration and approval as appropriate.

II. PROPOSAL ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE EANET PLAQUES OF RECOGNITION TO THE EXPERTS, SCIENTISTS, AND RESOURCE PERSONS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE EANET

4. The Secretariat in consultation with the NC has prepared the draft Proposal on the Presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and Resource Persons for their Contribution to the EANET, as presented in the Attachment, including the nomination and the selection procedures of the EANET Laureates to receive the EANET Plaque of Recognition and its associated timetable with the aim to make the presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition at the Seventeenth Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG17) on the EANET in 2015 which will be the celebration of the fifteen year anniversary of the EANET and the completion of the 5-years Medium Term Plan for the EANET (2011-2015).
5. The Draft Proposal on the Presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and Resource Persons for Their Contribution to the EANET was submitted for review and discussion at the Thirteenth Session of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC13) held on 25 – 27 September 2013 in Xiamen, China. Views and comments of the SAC13 will be presented in the document EANET/WGFD 12/10/add. which will be distributed during the Session of the Twelfth Session of the Working Group on Future Development (WGFD12) of the EANET.

III. ACTIONS REQUIRED

6. The WGFD12 is invited to review the draft Proposal on the Presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and Resource Persons for their Contribution to the EANET and may wish to consider, discuss, provide guidance, and make recommendations for further submission to the IG15 for its consideration and approval in December 2013, as appropriate.

Attachment

**DRAFT PROPOSAL ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE EANET PLAQUES
OF RECOGNITION TO THE EXPERTS, SCIENTISTS, AND RESOURCE
PERSONS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE EANET**

I. OBJECTIVES

1. The EANET Plaques of Recognition aims to present the gratefulness and appreciation of the EANET participating countries to the experts, scientists, and resource persons whose continuous and active participation and contributions to the EANET for many years have been a major and key factor to the development and implementation of the EANET as one of the most successful regional networks on air pollution in East Asia at the present time.
2. In order to show the gratitude and appreciation of the EANET to these experts, scientists, and resource persons, the EANET Plaques of Recognition will be presented to the EANET Laureates who are nominated and selected by the EANET participating countries.

II. NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS OF THE EANET LAUREATES

Definition

3. Following terms are defined as,
 - Nominators are the National Focal Points (NFPs) of each EANET participating countries, members of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC), and the Secretariat and the Network Center (NC) for the EANET.
 - Nominees are experts, scientists, and resource persons who have worked with, contributed, and dedicated their times and efforts to the EANET for many years.
 - Selection Committee is the working body reviewing the nominations and selecting the nominees as the EANET Laureates. The Selection Committee is composed of the NFPs of the EANET participating countries.
 - EANET Laureates are nominees who are commonly or mostly (three fourth (3/4)) selected by the Selection Committee.
 - Secretariat of the Selection Committee is the EANET Secretariat responsible for the administration of the process of nomination and selection of the EANET Laureates.

Nomination and Selection Procedures

4. The procedures for the nomination and the selection of the EANET Laureates to receive the EANET Plaques of Recognition are as follows,
 - The Secretariat will send out nomination forms to all nominators to nominate qualified nominees for the selection of the EANET Laureates to receive the EANET Plaques of Recognition in beginning of April 2014.
 - Nominators will nominate nominees to the Secretariat by the end of April 2014.
 - The Secretariat will prepare a long list of nominees and send it with the nomination forms to the Selection Committee members (the NFPs of the EANET participating countries) by the middle of May 2014.
 - The Selection Committee members will review the long list of nominees and their nomination forms, select the top three (3) candidates by order of preference, and inform the Secretariat of their selection of the top three (3) candidates by order of preference by the middle of June 2014.
 - The Secretariat will prepare a short list of selected candidates. A summarized list of commonly or mostly selected candidates by the Selection Committee will also be prepared as the proposed final candidates for the EANET Laureates. Both lists will be sent to the Selection Committee members for their consideration and approval of the proposed final candidates for the EANET Laureates by the end of June 2014.
 - The Selection Committee members will review the summarized list of commonly or mostly selected candidates by the Selection Committee proposed as the final candidates for the EANET Laureates and notify the Secretariat of their approval of the proposed final candidates for the EANET Laureates or other recommendations, if any, by the middle of July 2014. (In such a case that there are too many proposed final candidates, the Selection Committee may wish to limit the numbers of the proposed final candidates for the EANET Laureates as appropriate taking into consideration the burden to the EANET budget for their participation to receive the EANET Plaques of Recognition in person during the Seventeenth Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG17) on the EANET in 2015.)
 - The Secretariat will report the selection of the EANET Laureates to receive the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Fourteenth Session of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC14) on the EANET and the Thirteenth Session of the Working Group on Future Development (WGFD13) of the EANET in autumn 2014 for their consideration and recommendations to the Sixteenth Session of the Intergovernmental Meeting (IG16) on the EANET in 2014.
 - The Secretariat will report the selection of the EANET Laureates to receive the EANET Plaques of Recognition including recommendations of the SAC14 and the WGFD13 to the IG16 in 2014 for its consideration and approval.

III. PRESENTATION OF THE EANET PLAQUES OF RECOGNITION

5. The presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the selected EANET Laureates will be made at the IG17 in 2015 to celebrate the fifteen year anniversary of the EANET and the completion of the 5-years Medium Term Plan for the EANET (2011-2015). All the selected EANET Laureates will be invited to receive the EANET Plaques of Recognition in person. The EANET will bear all the cost of their participation.

IV. NOMINATION FORM

6. The nomination form will consist of three parts: 1) nominator information; 2) nominee information; and 3) brief details of the nominee's contributions to the EANET, as presented in Annex 1.

- 1) **Nominator information**

- Nominator name
- Organization
- Country
- Contact address and phone number
- Email address

- 2) **Nominee information**

- Nominee name
- Organization
- Country
- Contact address and phone number
- Email address

- 3) **Brief details of the nominee's contributions to the EANET**

V. SCHEDULE FOR THE NOMINATION AND THE SELECTION OF THE EANET LAUREATES AND PRESENTATION OF THE EANET PLAQUES OF RECOGNITION TO THE EANET LAUREATES

7. Schedule for the nomination and the selection of the EANET Laureates and presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the EANET Laureates is presented in Annex 2. The aim is to

make the presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the selected EANET Laureates at the IG17 in 2015 to celebrate the fifteen year anniversary of the EANET and the completion of the 5-years Medium Term Plan for the EANET (2011-2015).

Annex 1

**Presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and
Resource Persons contributing to the EANET**

Nomination Form

<u>Nominator</u>	
Name:
Organization:
Country:
Contact Address:
Email Address:
<u>Nominee</u>	
Name:
Organization:
Country:
Contact Address:
Email Address:
<u>Brief Details of the Nominee's Contributions to the EANET</u>	
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**Views and Comments of the SAC13 on the Draft Proposal on the Presentation of
the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and Resource
Persons for Their Contribution to the EANET**

1. The Draft Proposal on the Presentation of the EANET Plaques of Recognition to the Experts, Scientists, and Resource Persons for Their Contribution to the EANET was submitted to the Thirteenth Session of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC13) on the EANET on 25-27 September 2013 in Xiamen, China, for review and discussion.
2. Major comment and discussion at the SAC13 included,
 - It was clarified by the Secretariat that the recognition is currently planned for only one time. How frequent the recognition will be made depends on the decision of the Intergovernmental Meeting.