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We are please to invite you to the following event:

- Topic:** **Winds of Change – East Asia’s Sustainable Energy Future**
According to a recent estimate by the US Energy Information administration, Asia accounts for 40 percent of the world’s CO2 emissions. And as major Asian economies are now growing at more than four times the pace of OECD country economies, Asia has become the primary region of global engagement in the pursuit of a low-carbon strategy.
- Speaker:** **Dr. Vijay Jagannathan and Dr. Xiadong Wang – World Bank**
- Date:** 19 April 2010, Monday
- Agenda:**
1.00 to 1.30pm Registration with finger food served.
1.30 to 3.00pm Presentation of report followed by Q&A/Discussion
3.00 to 3.30pm Networking.
- Venue:** Thomson Reuters (Auditorium)
One Raffles Quay
#28-01 North Tower
Singapore 048583
- Registration:** Please send an email to summit.chaudhuri@thomsonreuters.com with your full name, company and email by April 12, 2010.

About the Report

Winds of Change – East Asia's Sustainable Energy Future, the World Bank's East Asia Energy Flagship Study, incorporates the lessons learned from the World Bank's 17-year engagement in advocating policies and programs aimed at promoting cleaner energy investments in East Asia and Pacific countries. This report, which will be disseminated in April 2010, demonstrates that a low-carbon growth path is possible for large Asian economies through policies focused on energy-efficiency improvements and innovations in renewable energy technologies.

A low-carbon path is both technically and economically viable for the region, and if the right decisions are made, coal's share in power generation could be halved to 37 percent by 2030. The report concludes that about US\$85 billion a year of additional financing will be required to achieve these ambitious goals.

The authors of the study, Dr. Vijay Jagannathan and Dr. Xiadong Wang, will be launching the report and presenting their findings in Singapore on April 19, 2010.

Speaker bios:

Vijay Jagannathan is Sector Manager (Infrastructure) in the East Asia and Pacific (EAP) Region of the World Bank, covering the energy, transport, urban development and water sectors. The client countries of this region range from very large countries, such as China and Indonesia to the small island countries in the Pacific Ocean.

He is also leading the regional liaison and collaboration with APEC's various Green Growth initiatives.

Dr. Xiaodong Wang is a Senior Energy Specialist in the East Asia & Pacific (EAP) region of the World Bank. She is the lead author for the East Asia's Energy Flagship Study "Winds of Change: East Asia's Sustainable Energy Future" and the Energy Chapter of the World Development Report 2010 -Development and Climate Change.

She has extensive experience and knowledge in climate change, renewable energy, energy efficiency, and energy access and has worked in more than 20 developing countries mostly in Asia and Africa. Prior to joining the World Bank, Dr. Wang managed the Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Program at the UN Foundation, and worked at the UNDP-GEF developing clean energy projects in East Asia.

We look forward to welcoming you on 19 April 2010.

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