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Growing participation for CARBON FORUM ASIA 2009 as region's Carbon Markets continue to strengthen

With 92 percent market share of confirmed transactions in the primary Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) market, out of a total transacted value of US\$126 billion in 2008, Asia continues to be the hub for CDM projects.

In its fourth edition this year, CARBON FORUM ASIA Trade Fair and Conference continues to cement its role as the leading platform for emissions trading, carbon abatement solutions and new technologies in Asia Pacific. The only Carbon Market event in Asia to bring together representatives from more than 80 countries across the globe, this year's CARBON FORUM ASIA Trade Fair and Conference is expecting a 20 percent increase in participation and a 40 percent increase in the number of projects being featured.

Further underlining the importance of CARBON FORUM ASIA in bringing together key regional and international players in the Carbon Market, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will stage its 8th CDM World Designated National Authorities (DNA) Forum in conjunction with the Trade Fair and Conference. The CDM World DNA Forum is a key event in the build-up to the Copenhagen UN Climate Change Summit this December.



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This year's Trade Fair continues to provide visitors with a real encounter and understanding of the regional and global Carbon Market scene, with over 100 exhibitors from around the world, including more than 24 Asian and Pacific countries, from Japan and Russia, through China over to India and Pakistan, down to Australia and New Zealand, across to Papua New Guinea and Fiji, making CARBON FORUM ASIA a truly regional platform for Carbon Market activities in Asia-Pacific. With a strong focus on CDM projects and their host countries, the Asian Development Bank will once again sponsor project developers to CARBON FORUM ASIA. These will be featured in various country pavilions, showcasing project developers and carbon credit sellers. In addition, this year's Trade Fair will also feature for the first time a special UNFCCC World DNA pavilion, showcasing all regional host countries and relevant regulatory authorities responsible for the implementation of CDM.

Complementing the showcase of the latest initiatives and technologies in carbon emission reduction, this year's Conference program will present a series of high-level plenary sessions and in-depth workshop discussions covering the entire Carbon Market value chain, from flexible mechanisms, policy and market initiatives, to investments and technologies. Some of the issues that will be addressed and discussed include:

- Making Carbon Finance Work for Development in Asia
- US Politics and Implications for Asia in the North American GHG Market
- Socioeconomic Benefits Generated by Asian Carbon Markets
- Changes in CDM Guidelines and Procedures – How to Benefit from the Enhancements?
- Greening the Power Sector: Can Carbon Finance Drive it?

Henry Derwent, President and CEO of the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA) said: "There had never been a more crucial time for promotions of carbon-cutting projects to study the future. With CDM reforms,

a new US market, and a whole new chapter opening for Kyoto post-2012, seizing the opportunity that CARBON FORUM ASIA 2009 provides to meet contacts and hear experts must be on top of every Asian carbon professional agenda.”

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A convergence of experts

One hundred and fifty DNAs from around the world expected, including country and government representatives responsible for the implementation of CDMs. The UNFCCC World DNA Forum is a crucial congregation of representatives who will share their latest experiences relating to the CDM and bring forward common views and issues in the lead-up to negotiations in Copenhagen this December.

Taking place for the first time in conjunction with CARBON FORUM ASIA, and leveraging on the synergy between the two events, a dedicated full-day of exclusive interactive sessions will be held for CARBON FORUM ASIA and DNA Forum participants to meet in a high-level business networking event, offering them a unique privileged opportunity to interact and exchange views.

“The DNA Forum, as envisioned by the UNFCCC CDM Executive Board, is to provide opportunities for the exchange of views related to CDM and for the sharing of experiences among countries. The conduct of the World DNA Forum’s regular meeting this year, in parallel with the CARBON FORUM ASIA 2009, is a unique opportunity and will enable the DNAs to broaden this interrelation with the private sector and acquire innumerable knowledge on the state of play of carbon markets and project implementation. It allows their interaction to be extended to various project developers and Carbon Market experts, coming from such a large geographical scope that CARBON FORUM ASIA manages to bring together each year,” **Albert Altarejos Magalang, Co-Chair (2009) of the DNA Forum Chairing Committee & Asia-Pacific Regional Representative (2007 – present), UNFCCC.**

Leading up to Copenhagen

Just last week, the Ad Hoc Working Group on Further Commitments for Annex I Parties under the Kyoto Protocol and the Ad Hoc Working Group on Longterm Cooperative Action under the Convention have been holding a series of consultations in Bonn, Germany, as part of ongoing negotiations under the UNFCCC and the Kyoto Protocol. The two Groups are scheduled to conclude their work by the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 15) to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark, this December.

At these special informal negotiations sessions, the first steps to creating an initial text for a possible new global framework were being made by the negotiators. Nevertheless, with the current speed of things, Parties will have to work extremely hard between now and December to get the desired 30 page of negotiation text that is ideally to be discussed in Copenhagen, as part of the new agreement. Although currently, as Parties are still negotiating along the two main separate negotiations streams, we will see that as we get closer to Copenhagen, these two streams will start to merge into one agreement that will shape the future mechanism under which Parties will seek to limit the warming of the atmosphere to a maximum increase of 2 degrees. CARBON FORUM ASIA's global attendance presents an excellent platform to mine the best ideas, insights and technology that will help shape the new agreement.

"CARBON FORUM ASIA continues to be the choice meeting place for key Carbon Market players, project developers and governments to catch up on the latest developments and gain insights into upcoming trends in the Carbon Market. Together with the 8th UNFCCC World DNA Forum, this year's event will also take on renewed significance as the world anticipates a new global climate change agreement in Copenhagen at the end of the year," **Michael Dreyer, Vice President, Asia Pacific, Koelnmesse.**

Jointly organized by the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA) and Koelnmesse, CARBON FORUM ASIA 2009 will be held on 26 and 27 October 2009 at the Raffles City Convention Centre, Singapore.

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Last year's CARBON FORUM ASIA drew 109 exhibitors; 60 project developers, DNAs and government officials; over 100 industry leaders; and 1,000 participants from more than 80 countries.

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