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DESIGNING EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIPS FOR WASTE-TO-RESOURCE INITIATIVES: LESSONS LEARNED FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

SPEAKER PROFILES

Chair: Donovan Storey



Dr. Donovan Storey is Chief of the Sustainable Urban Development Section, at the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), where he oversees ESCAP's main urban programs. Before this, he was Chief of Social Policy and Population, Social Development Division, also at ESCAP. He has served as a researcher and academic at several universities, including the University of Queensland, where he specialised in development management, social development and urban planning and governance. He has authored or co-authored a number of journal articles, book chapters and books on his areas of specialization including waste management.

Speaker 1: Lorenzo Santucci



Mr. Lorenzo Santucci is Economic Affairs Officer with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP), based in Bangkok, Thailand, where he has been employed since 2005. He is responsible for various areas of work, including climate change, green growth, urban development, and solid waste management, among others. He is the manager of ESCAP's regional programme on pro-poor and sustainable solid waste management in secondary cities in Asia-Pacific. Prior to joining ESCAP, Mr. Santucci was employed at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) analyzing the linkages between trade and the environment, including in terms of extended producer responsibility and trans-boundary movements of waste.

Speaker 2: Iftekhar Enayetullah



Mr. Iftekhar Enayetullah is Co-founder and Director of Waste Concern, a Bangladeshi NGO that has conceptualized, designed and implemented the community-based decentralized composting model known as the Integrated Resource Recovery Centre. Waste Concern has been working with ESCAP to promote this composting model across Asia, and in Kushtia, Bangladesh. Mr. Enayetullah is a civil engineer and urban planner by training. He is a practitioner, researcher and a social entrepreneur in areas of waste management, environmental management and clean energy. Mr. Enayetullah has advised numerous international agencies, development banks and other organizations on sustainable waste management.

Speaker 3: Jayaratne Kananke Arachchilage



Mr Jayaratne Kananke Arachchilage is the President of Sevanatha Urban Resource Centre, a Sri Lankan NGO. Sevanatha undertakes urban development projects in a range of sectors, including housing, solid waste and poverty reduction. Sevanatha is supporting ESCAP's regional project in two cities, namely Matale and Ratnapura. Mr Jayaratne studied urban planning at the Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok. Since 2009, he has worked with UNDP and UN-Habitat on tenure, housing and community planning in Bangladesh. Prior to this, Mr Jayaratne worked with a range of national housing authorities in Sri Lanka, including the Ministry of Housing, as well as UN agencies, most notably UN-Habitat. He has lectured on the subjects of land economy, urban planning and housing.

Speaker 4: Ngo Huy Liem



Dr. Ngo Huy Liem is the Executive Director of Environment and Development in Action (ENDA) Viet Nam. ENDA Viet Nam seeks to reduce poverty and promote sustainable development by working with communities and grassroots groups. ENDA has been implementing projects in two cities in Viet Nam in partnership with ESCAP. Dr. Liem studied development economics at the University of Freiburg, Germany and has held teaching and research positions with universities in Germany, the Philippines and Switzerland. He has spent a decade with the German Technical Development Agency advising the Vietnamese Ministry of Labor, Invalids and Social Affairs, and has worked as a senior advisor for UNDP, the World Bank and other international development organizations.

Speaker 5: Kora Heng Yon



Mr. Kora Heng Yon is Founder and Executive Director of the Community Sanitation and Recycling Organization (CSARO). CSARO seeks to address the needs of the urban poor, including informal sector waste pickers. The organization undertakes a range of community outreach and development projects, and implements ESCAP's regional project in Kampot. Mr. Kora studied public administration and policy. Prior to founding CSARO in 1998, Mr. Kora worked for the World Health Organization in Cambodia, as well as UNDP and the ILO, on projects related to health, waste, capacity building and community development. In the early 1990s, he worked for the United Nations Transitional Authority of Cambodia on issues related to human rights and refugees.

Speaker 6: Sumaira Gul



Ms Sumaira Gul is Program Manager at the Dr. Akhtar Hameed Khan Memorial Trust, an organization founded in 2000 and dedicated to improving sanitation and waste management in Pakistan. Ms Gul joined the Trust in 2002. Her work focuses on community-level sanitation and urban development issues, a topic upon which she has written two books. In 2008, Ms. Gul was involved in the establishment of E-Guard, originally a pilot initiative set up in Rawalpindi. E-Guard is a model for community solid waste management and has been replicated in different cities in the country. In 2012, it became a functioning social enterprise. Ms Gul has a masters degree in political science, and has run for local office and served as town member.

Speaker 7: Mohammad Helmy



Mohammad Helmy is Vice Chairman of Indonesia Solid Waste Association, the Indonesian national chapter of ISWA, where he concentrates on work and programs relating to 3R and extended producer responsibility. The Indonesia Solid Waste Association is supporting ESCAP's regional project in Jambi and Malang Regency, two cities in Indonesia. For almost ten years, Mr. Helmy worked with the Ministry of Environment on a range of environmental policy and programs, including clean and green citiy initiatives, clean river initiatives, and waste management initiatives. Prior to his work with national government, Mr Helmy held offices on regional and provincial boards and governments. He studied chemistry and economics at the universities of Gadjah Mada and Jakarta.

Speaker 8: Abu Hasnat Md. Magsood Sinha



Mr. Abu Hasnat Md. Maqsood Sinha is Co-Founder and Executive Director of Waste Concern, and Director of the Waste-to-Resource Fund. The Waste-to-Resource Fund was established with support from the Bill and Melinda Gates

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