

North-East Asia Development Cooperation Forum 2020:

Experience and Challenges of North-East Asian Countries on Development Cooperation in the face of the COVID19 pandemic

15-16 October (Virtual meeting)

9:00 am (Moscow) / 2:00 pm (Beijing) / 3:00 pm (Seoul / Tokyo)

Tentative Programme

(as of 14 October 2020)

Thursday, 15 October 2020

Welcome remarks

- **Ganbold BAASANJAV**, Head, ESCAP East and North-East Asia Office

Moderator:

- **Huck Ju KWON**, Professor, Seoul National University / President of KAIDEC

Perspectives of development cooperation agencies – how they helped countries in COVID19 responses and will help them to “build back better”?

The session invites panellists from development cooperation agencies/offices to share their current contribution in responding to COVID19 as well as their perspective on how they expect to help developing countries to “build back better” after COVID19.

Panellists

- **KIM Jiyeon**, Director-General, Multilateral Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance Department, KOICA
- **SIDOROV Alexander Alexandrovich**, Head of the Department for Interaction with the Constituent Entities, ROSSOTRUDNICHESTVO, and **TARCHOKOVA Asiyat Arsenovna**, Consultant, ROSSOTRUDNICHESTVO

- **Sujata GUPTA**, Director, Sustainable Infrastructure Division, East Asia Department, ADB

(Q & A)

International Cooperation to cope with COVID-19 and new landscape of development cooperation in post COVID-19

The session discusses how international cooperation (e.g., development cooperation, humanitarian assistance) in the North-East Asian countries helped in responding to COVID-19 and how it differs from the past practice of development cooperation and international cooperation, and what are the post-COVID19 landscape of development cooperation

Presentations:

- **Tatsufumi YAMAGATA**, Professor and Director, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University / President of JASID and **Hisahiro KONDOH**, Professor, Saitama University / JASID
- **Xiaoyun LI**, Distinguished Professor, China Agricultural University / Chair of CIDRN and **Chuanhong ZHANG**, College of International Development and Global Agriculture, China Agricultural University / CIDRN

Q & A and open discussion

Friday, 16 October 2020

Moderator:

- **Hamza Ali MALIK**, Director, ESCAP Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division

Impacts of COVID-19 in developing countries

The presentation provides overview of quantitative assessment of COVID-19 impact in developing countries and how it could be applied in development cooperation strategies of COVID-19 response

Presentation:

- **Kilkon KO**, Professor, Seoul National University / KAIDEC

North East Asian countries' development cooperation to counter pandemics

The presentation discusses the North-East Asian countries' development cooperation in responding to COVID-19 emergencies and its role in strengthening national regional and global capacity for future outbreaks of infectious diseases.

Presentation:

Denis DEGTYAREV, Head of IR Department, RUDN University / Executive Director, RAEDAE

Q & A

Partner countries' perspectives on how North-East Asia's development cooperation contributes to "build-back better"

This session discusses key areas of opportunities where North-East Asia's development cooperation can take lead to build back better and assist more sustainable development path of partner countries.

Panellists:

- **SAMRETH Sovannroeun**, Associate professor, Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Saitama University
- **Shafqat Munir AHMAD**, Research Fellow/Director, Sustainable Development Policy Institute
- **Miguel MUSNGI**, Senior Officer, Poverty Eradication and Gender Division, Human Development Directorate, ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community Department, ASEAN Secretariat
- **Stephan KLINGEBIEL**, Director, UNDP Seoul Policy Centre

Open discussion

Closing