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ADB-PRC Regional Knowledge Sharing Initiative

# Snapshot 2023



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# About RKSI

Established by the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China (PRC) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) on August 30, 2012, the ADB-PRC Regional Knowledge Sharing Initiative (RKSI) is a platform for sharing development knowledge among ADB's developing member countries.

Leveraging over four decades of PRC's extensive experience in fostering rapid economic growth and social transformation, RKSI facilitates meaningful exchanges that promote progress and innovation.

RKSI's focus aligns with the strategic directions of ADB, mirroring the priorities outlined in the ADB-PRC Country Partnership Strategy and its successive Five-Year Plans. As a platform promoting south-south cooperation, RKSI covers thematic areas which are of key interest to developing countries.

RKSI is committed to its mission of enhancing knowledge exchange and building networks across Asia. Through organizing and sponsoring a variety of events—ranging from seminars and workshops to conferences—and producing a wealth of knowledge resources available on its website, RKSI strives to foster an environment where institutions and individuals can share insights, learn from each other, and collaborate towards common goals.

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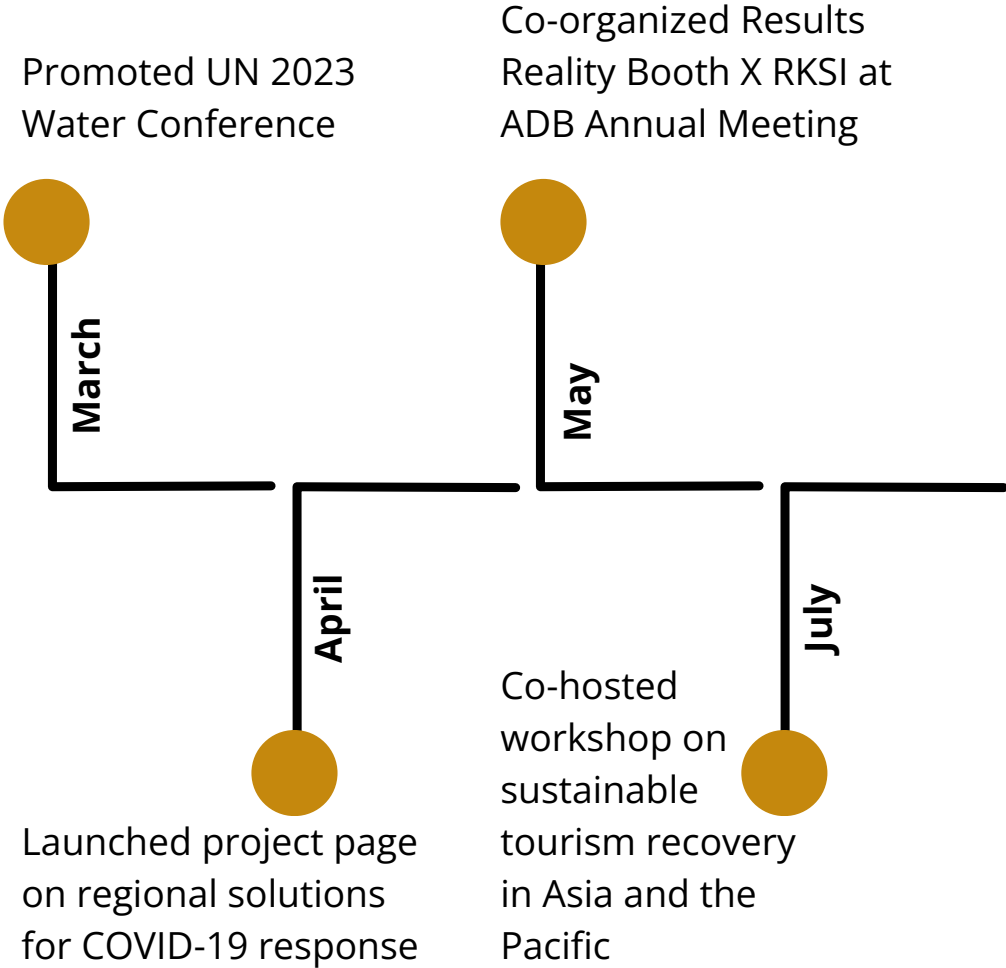
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# RKSI 2023 Timeline

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Launched project pages on wetlands protection and vocational education

Organized 2023 East Asia Forum



**August**



**October**



New RSKI TA approved

**November**

Supported international conference on laws and regulations enabling eco-compensation



Produced knowledge products for workshop on cost-effective disaster risk management

**December**



# Project Knowledge Page



In April 2023, RCSI launched a project page on regional solutions for COVID-19 response and vaccine delivery. This was followed by two further additions in August: Jiangsu Yancheng Wetlands Protection Project and Sharing ADB's Operational Knowledge in Technical and Vocational Education.



This ADB-related site is a dedicated platform for sharing knowledge derived from ADB technical assistance or loans, all focused on a single project page.

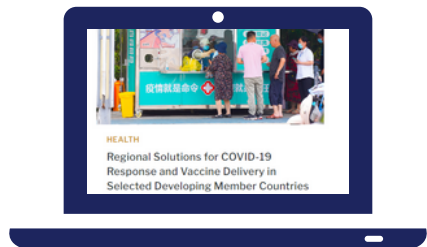
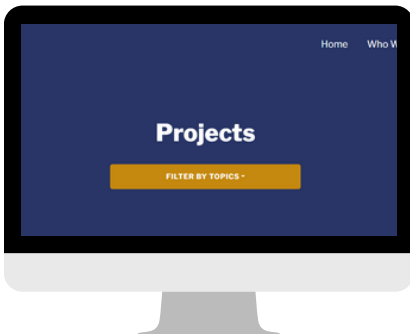


The page is part of RCSI's commitment to sharing development knowledge and promoting south-south cooperation between the PRC and other developing member countries.

<https://rksi.adb.org/rksi-projects>



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# ADB Annual Meeting Results Reality Booth X RKS



RKSI produced a series of augmented and virtual reality videos featuring the Yancheng Wetland project which were showcased in the Results Reality Booth at the 2023 ADB Annual Meeting in Incheon, the Republic of Korea. This project was particularly significant as a demonstration of ADB's Regional Flyway Initiative.



Eight videos, including a one-of-a-kind 360-degree drone-shot augmented reality video, were part of the Results Reality Booth.



The Yancheng videos were also displayed at launch of the ADB Innovation Hub on 7 September 2023 and at the East Asia Forum in Changsha, Hunan Province, the PRC.

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I really like it. After seeing the video, I got to know what ADB did to protect the area.

— Participant at Results Reality Booth



600

people visited the Results Reality Booth.



**Top left:** President Masatsugu Asakawa participating in the Results Reality Booth at ADB Innovation Hub. **Bottom left:** Results Reality Booth at East Asia Forum 2023. **Top and bottom right:** Participants at the Results Reality Booth at ADB Annual Meeting.

# Sustainable, Inclusive, and Resilient Tourism Recovery and Development in Asia and the Pacific



Supported by the PRC Poverty Reduction and Regional Cooperation Fund, RKS I hosted this workshop to promote knowledge sharing on tourism recovery between the PRC and 17 countries.



## Participant countries



Azerbaijan, Bhutan, Cambodia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Georgia, Indonesia, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Lao PDR, Maldives, Mongolia, Nepal, the Philippines, the People's Republic of China, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam.

## Key highlights

The discussions highlighted that recovery is being underpinned by:



Greater product and market diversification



Digital acceleration



Improved collaboration and coordination among stakeholders



Better understanding of sustainability principles in tourism



## ADB's commitment to tourism



**\$12.8 billion** invested in  
**144** tourism projects





# 2023 East Asia Forum

RKSI organized a session to discuss four ADB projects focused on promoting replicability. The goal of this session was informing the design and implementation of similar initiatives in other provinces of the PRC and in developing member countries. These four projects are:



Jiangsu Yancheng Wetlands Protection



Shandong Green Development Fund



Wuhan Urban Environmental Improvement Project and Hubei Huangshi Urban Pollution Control and Environment Management



Shaanxi Accelerated Energy Efficiency and Environment Improvement Financing



## What is East Asia Forum?

The East Asia Forum is an annual flagship event organized by ADB East Asia Department jointly with knowledge departments. It showcases special features of the PRC operations and knowledge work with a wider audience.



# Laws and Regulations Enabling Eco-Compensation and Payments for Eco-System Services



200

participants from various sectors, including government agencies, research institutes, and academia.

RKSI supported the 9th International Conference on Eco-Compensation and Payments for Ecosystem Services which was held after a three-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The conference aimed to promote collaboration among public, private, and civil sectors for financial incentives and instruments to enhance environmental protection.

“ Conferences like this one are very important to collect and share knowledge that will improve the design and implementation of eco-compensation and payment for ecosystem services worldwide.

— Thomas Panella, Director for Natural Capital and Climate AFNR, ADB ”



Field visits



Presentations



Knowledge sharing

# Integrated Framework for Cost-Effective Disaster Risk Management



RKSI supported the production of a series of videos to better share and promote the Technical Assistance (TA) project knowledge for the TA 6748-PRC: Integrated Framework for Cost-Effective Disaster Risk Management.



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Prior to the workshop, RKSI also joined the other three missions under this project and led the China Central Television (CCTV) crew to shoot a documentary which will be produced in 2024.



## About the TA

This is ADB's first cross-ministerial and cross-agency TA in the PRC, directly addressing the nation's need for capacity building in relation to disaster risk challenges.





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