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27 April 2023

Dear Dr. Allahyari,

Expert Group Meeting on Innovative Technologies and Applications for Urban Air Pollution Control in Asia and the Pacific

25 May 2023, Thursday (Virtual)

I am pleased to inform you that the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (APCTT) of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), will be organizing an **'Expert Group Meeting on Innovative Technologies and Applications for Urban Air Pollution Control in Asia and the Pacific'** on 25 May 2023 in virtual mode as part of the project titled "Enhanced capabilities to adopt innovative technologies for city air pollution control in select countries of the Asia-Pacific".

The objective of the Expert Group Meeting (EGM) is to: (1) Collect good case studies of innovative technologies and their applications to control air pollution in cities across the Asia-Pacific region; (2) Understand enabling strategies and opportunities for scaling up and adoption of technologies for city air pollution control in terms of innovative methods of implementation, efficiency, effectiveness, affordability, and accessibility and (3) Solicit recommendations for cross-border technologies in cities. Policymakers, technical experts and relevant stakeholders involved in city air pollution control in the Asia Pacific region will be invited to participate in the event. Please find enclosed the draft concept note and agenda of the meeting for your reference.

In this context, I request you to nominate senior policymakers/experts from relevant ministries, departments or national institutions in your country to attend and participate in the virtual meeting. Member States will share their experience and good practices in scaling up and adoption of these technologies in cities for the benefit of the participants.

Dr. Alireza Allahyari General Director Iranian Research Organization for Science and Technology (IROST) Ministry of Science, Research & Technology Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran It would be appreciated if the registration form, containing the details of the nominated participant, could be submitted by **10 May 2023.** The registration form can be accessed at the following link: <u>https://bit.ly/3L3S39q</u>

Information regarding the online platform for participation will be communicated in due course. Please feel free to contact my colleague Mr. Satyabrata Sahu (<u>sahus@un.org</u>) for any additional information or clarifications.

I look forward to your government's participation as well as your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Preeti Soni

Preeti Soni Head Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (APCTT-ESCAP)

Attachment

1. Concept note and tentative agenda of "Expert Group Meeting on Innovative Technologies and Applications for Urban Air Pollution Control in Asia and the Pacific"