Asia-Europe Environment Forum (ENVforum) 2003 - 2013

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partnership of the organisations based in Asia and Europe:

• The Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)
• the ASEM SMEs Eco-Innovation Center (ASEIC)
• the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)
• the Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF)
• the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)
• advisory committee consisting of representatives from EU&EEA, ASEAN Secretariat and environmental think tanks
Asia-Europe Environment Forum
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Asia-Europe Environment Forum (ENVforum)

The ENVforum has actively brought together stakeholders from Asia and Europe, since 2003, through facilitated dialogue and knowledge exchange, to explore different points of view and new perspectives with regard to environmental and sustainable development changes that seriously affect today’s societies.
Format of the events

• Conferences/ workshops / side events / briefings
• Inputs by practitioners from different organisations from Asia and Europe
• Plenary and small groups discussion
• Working groups
• Focusing on specific case studies to be able to identify lessons learnt
• Policy recommendations and policy briefs
• Publications
Role of the forum

- Asia Europe focus
- Translating knowledge into action
- Multidisciplinary groups vs. specialised experts
- Bridge between academia, governments and civil society
- Encouraging collaboration
- Equal participation (hierarchy “matters”)
- Looking for gap areas – identifying like minded organisations and network
Sustainable Development: Goals for Asia and Europe 2013-2015

Mandate given by:
• the Rio+20 conference’s outcomes
• the Chair’s statement of the ASEM Summit (Vientiane – Laos in November 2012)

Activities:
• research on possible SDGs and their associated indicators
• knowledge hub meetings of experts working on SDGs creation and indicators and on green economy
• publicity & consultations to disseminate the outcomes of consultations to policy makers.
Follow up

ENVforum 2013- 2015
• Continuation of research on SD Indicators in ASEM countries
• Information tailored to target group
• Consultations

Specifically:
• What SD means for ASEM countries context
• Means of implementation
• Governance
• Connection & consistency with other policies