



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

**BASEL CONVENTION REGIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ASIA AND
PACIFIC REGION IN CHINA**

and

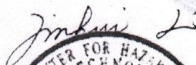

**BASEL CONVENTION REGIONAL CENTRE FOR TRAINING AND
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FOR THE ARAB STATES IN EGYPT**

on

STRENGTHENING COOPERATION

In order to promote implementation of Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (Basel Convention) both in the Asia and Pacific Region and the Arab States through strengthening cooperation, Basel Convention Regional Centre for the Asia and Pacific Region in China (BCRC China) and Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Arab States in Egypt (BCRC Egypt) (hereinafter referred to as "Parties") have reached a mutual understanding and signed this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the following provisions:

1. To cooperate in activities in the field of the environmentally sound management of hazardous wastes and other wastes and their minimization, according to relevant provisions of the Basel Convention, cooperative efforts will be associated within, but not limited to:



For BCRC China
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Executive Director



For BCRC Egypt
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Director



- i. Cooperate on capacity building.
 - a) Each party shall accept the candidates nominated by the other party on annual bases with criteria that are agreed by both parties to have a short training/visiting in Egypt/China subject to funds availability. The topics for the capacity building should be agreed by the two parties according to their needs. Each party should finance its candidates for the training duration.
 - b) Each party shall facilitate at least one student or staff subject to application per year recommended by the other party to participate in PhD or master degree program in Cairo University/Tsinghua University based on the rules of each university and subject to funds availability.
 - c) The parties shall facilitate and work for the overall cooperation between Cairo University and Tsinghua University in the future.
 - d) Directors/their nomination should be invited by both centres as invited speakers in events that will be agreed on and the host should cover the visiting director/the nomination expenses subject to funds availability.
- ii. Collaborate on training, conferences, workshops and other activities carried by BCRC China and BCRC Egypt related to waste environmentally sound management and treatment, especially on zero-waste city and plastic waste.

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iii. Cooperate on resources mobilization. Jointly develop and apply for bilateral, regional and multinational projects in areas relevant to waste management and treatment based on the related needs of the states in served region by the parties, especially on zero-waste city and plastic waste.

iv. Cooperate on promoting the zero-waste initiatives implementation at all levels in the countries served by each of the Parties, so as to promote environmentally sound management of waste and sustainable development.

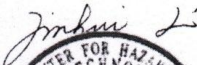
v. Exchange of knowledge and technology transfer:

- a) Exchange knowledge about policies and technologies that may help in the ESM of hazardous waste and other waste by exchanging experts to join in the activities conducted by both parties and to provide guidance subject to funds availability.
- b) Jointly conduct the related work for technology transfer from Asia especially China to Arab states subject to funds availability.

2. This MOU constitutes an expression of a shared intention of the Parties to endeavor to develop foundations for achieving their shared objectives relating to the protection of the environment and developing and strengthening systems, institutions, organizations and individuals concerned with environmental protection.

3. Each Party's actions under this MOU shall be considered to be that Party's sole and separate action for all purposes, including liability, and neither Party shall claim to be acting on behalf of, or as agent for, the other Party to this MOU.

4. In executing this MOU, neither Party necessarily commits to any financial obligation in relation to activities to be carried out under this MOU.



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5. The contact person will be designated and communicated to each other in due course after the signature of this MOU. Any change relating to the information of the contact person shall be updated in timely manner.

6. This MOU may be changed or amended by written agreement between the Parties.

7. Either Party shall have the right to terminate this MOU by giving three months' advance notice in writing to the other Party. If this MOU is terminated by either Party, steps shall be taken to ensure that the termination does not affect any prior obligation, project or activity already in progress.

8. This MOU shall enter into force upon signature of both Parties.

Done on this 25th day of December 2023, in two copies in English.

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