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IGPN and Green Purchasing Activities in Asia

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INTERNATIONAL GREEN PURCHASING NETWORK

Introduction to IGPN

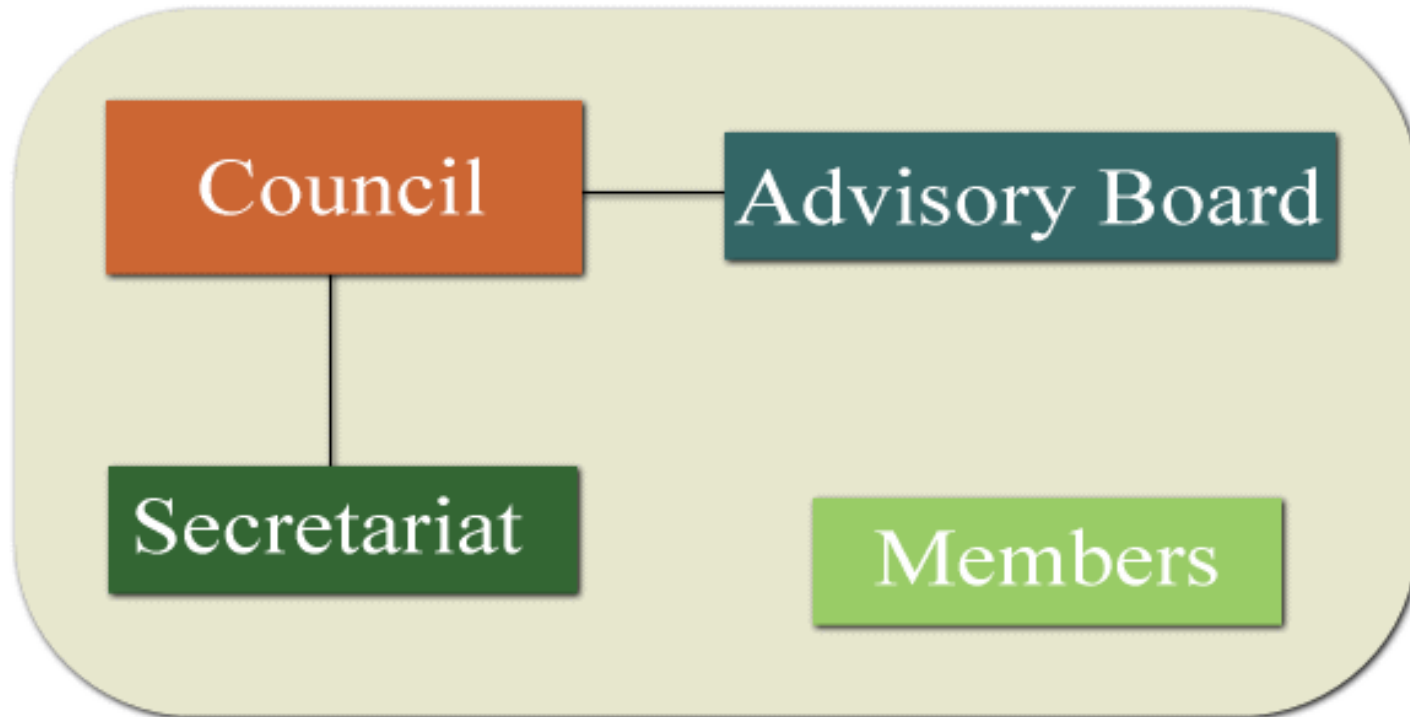
- Launched in April 2005
- Based on Sendai Declaration in October 2004

Missions

- To promote the development of environmentally friendly products and services and Green Purchasing activities around the world
- To collect and share information on global Green Purchasing activities, the best examples, know-how, products information, purchasing policies and recent trends
- To harmonise the efforts of Green Purchasing and the development of environmentally friendly products and services from the global viewpoint

IGPN Organisational Structure

■ Organizational Structure



IGPN Council Members

- **Green Purchasing Network (GPN)**
Prof. Ryoichi Yamamoto, Honorary Chair,
The University of Tokyo * **IGPN Chairman**
- **ICLEI**
Konrad Otto-Zimmermann, Secretary General
* **IGPN Vice-Chairman**
- **Swedish Environmental Management Council (SEMC)**
Peter Nohrstedt, Lead Manager
- **North American Green Purchasing Initiative (NAGPI)**
Scot Case, Director of procurement strategy
- **Korean Green Purchasing Network**
Duk Seung Lee, Secretary General
- **Green Purchasing Network Malaysia**
Kiyau Loo Lee, President



IGPN Advisory Board Members

- Chikako Takase, **UN DESA**
- Monique Babuet, **UNEP**
- Augustine Koh, **Asian Productivity Organization (APO)**
- Ning Yu, **Global Ecolabelling Network (GEN)**
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- Hidefumi Ikeda, **Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Japan**
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- Satoshi Mukuta, **Nippon Keidanren**
- Teruo Saito, **Japan Environment Association (JEA)**



Responsibilities

Council

Enact IGPN Charter, and approve modifications, matters concerning organisational management, project proposals and project reports (incl. budgets) and membership admissions

Advisory Board

Give technical advice and guidance on IGPN activities based on past experience upon request of the Council or Secretariat

Secretariat

Draft project proposals, conduct projects and manage financial administration. Currently the Secretariat is located within Green Purchasing Network (GPN) in Japan

Plans for 2006

Exchange information and develop international network

- Collecting and delivering information on Green Purchasing activities and latest trends on global level
- Holding workshops in Asian countries
 - India (March), China (March), Singapore (November)
- Holding the 2nd International Green Purchasing Conference in Barcelona, Spain (September)
 - In conjunction with EcoProcura 2006
- Developing Green Purchasing kit
- Building global Green Purchasing database
- Conducting analyses of Green Purchasing guidelines around the world

The 2nd International Green Purchasing Conference



To be held in conjunction with **EcoProcura 2006**

- **Date:** 20th~21st September 2006
- **Place:** Barcelona, Spain
- **Organised by:**
 - **LEAP Project Consortium**
 - **International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN)**
 - **ICLEI**
- **Supported by:**
 - **Provincial and City Councils of Barcelona**
- **Registration started in March**
- **Deadline for Call for Paper: April**
- **Further information:** <http://www.iclei.org/itc/ecoprocura2006>



Implementation Plan for 2007

Develop internationally harmonised activities

- Holding **workshops** and an international **conference**
- Drawing up Green Purchasing **guidelines** and developing product evaluation **tools**
- Implementing means to **measure the effectiveness** of Green Purchasing, developing **evaluation methods** and conducting research through **international collaboration**
- Implementing market **research** to contribute to promotion of Green Purchasing
- Developing **training** materials and programs
- Creating an international commendation system

Share information, experience and know-how via Internet



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What's New!

- December 22, 2005: The information on the Office of the Federal Environmental Executive of the USA is now available from the IGPN web site.
- December 1, 2005: IGPN now offers memberships!
- November 24, 2005: The 2nd International Green Purchasing Conference is to take place in conjunction with EcoProcure 2006 in Barcelona, Spain.
- November 24, 2005: A list of information on various events in the UK, Canada, Switzerland and New Zealand is now available!
- November 7, 2005: IGPN to exhibit on Food in Eco-Products 2005
- November 7, 2005: Bio-Plastics Green Purchasing Research Group to be Born
- October 11, 2005: IGPN held International Symposium on Green Purchasing in Bangkok on 7th-10 October 2005
- October 11, 2005: China, Japan, Korea to Utilize IGPN
- September 20, 2005: UK Sustainable Procurement Task Force to Publish Report Early 2006
- September 13, 2005: Agenda for the IGPN International Symposium in Bangkok is now available at Event Calendar.

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Global Activities

Here you will find a several tables of the Matrix of Global Activities for Green Purchasing, which was developed as a tool to compare and contrast activities of various organizations around the globe. [-> Details of Global Activities](#)

World Area



MEMBER
 AUSTRALIA
 BRAZIL
 CANADA
 CROATIA
 CZECH
 EU
 GERMANY
 GREECE
 HONG KONG
 INDIA
 JAPAN

The Australian Environmental Labeling Association Inc (AELA)
 Associação Brasileira de Normas Técnicas (ABNT)
 Terra Choice Environmental Service Inc, Environment Canada
 Ministry of Environmental Protection and Physical Planning
 Republic Ministry of the Environment
 European Commission - DG ENVIRONMENT (DG)
 Federal Environmental Agency (FEA)
 ISIRI, Supreme Council for Assessing the Ecobrand
 (IGC) Green Council
 (HKTDF) Hong Kong Federation of Environmental Protection
 (HKTDF) Limited
 Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)



IGPN Mid-Term Goal

- **Expand Green Purchasing activities in developing countries/regions with large populations with fast growing economy
E.g. South East Asia and China**

IGPN aims to disseminate Green Purchasing activities around the world and contribute to the creation of a sustainable society.

Green Purchasing Activities in Asian Countries

TAIWAN

Green Purchasing Activities

- **Legal Base**
 - Energy Conservation Act, Government Procurement Act and Notice on Implementation of Resource Conservation Activities
- **Governments** shall preferentially purchase products on designated list
- **Designated categories** include office paper, stationary, computer, refrigerators, air conditioners, water saving toilets etc.
- **73.8% purchasing ratio** in designated categories in 2003 (much above 50% target)
- If purchasers do not conform to requirements, finance departments may refuse payment

CHINA

Green Purchasing Activities

- **Government Procurement Law**
 - Enacted in 2003
 - Current legal base for Green Purchasing
 - Prescribe government to purchase environmentally friendly products
- **Emerging trends**
 - Local authorities making policies to promote Green Purchasing
 - The Olympic Commission of Beijing implements Green Purchasing
 - Large-scale public works invite bidding for green products
- **Plan to develop Green Purchasing law and/or relevant regulations to promote Green Purchasing by around 2010**

JAPAN

Green Purchasing Activities

- **Green Purchasing Network (GPN)**
 - Founded in 1996 by governments, businesses and associations
 - Currently has 2,800 members (2,200 companies, 300 governments, 300 NGOs)
 - Established 15 purchasing guidelines, product DB (12,000 products registered), hotel DB, award system, training/seminars, etc.
- **Government - Green Purchasing Law**
 - Green Purchasing Law enacted in 2000 and enforced since 2001
 - All state ministries & agencies must draw up annual green procurement policy, implement plan and report results
 - All state institutions obliged to purchase designated procurement items

JAPAN

Green Purchasing Activities

■ Eco Mark Programme

- Established by Japan Environment Association (JEA) and widely in use since 1989
- Currently 5,000 certified products within 45 categories



KOREA

Green Purchasing Activities

■ Green Purchasing Law

- Adopted in Dec 2004 and enforced since July 2005
- Public agencies obliged to purchase environmentally friendly products (Eco-Products)

➤ Definition of Eco-Products:

- Korea Eco-Label certified products or products satisfying certification criteria
- Good Recycled Mark certified products or products satisfying certification criteria
- Other eco-products satisfying criteria set by the MoE



KOREA

Green Purchasing Activities

- **Green Purchasing Law (cont'd)**
 - MoE annually sets up **Purchasing Guidelines of Eco-Products**
 - Public agencies shall announce **purchasing plans** of Eco-Products, practice, and report annual performance
 - **Preferential grants** of environment-related subsidies provided to local governments
 - **KOECO (Korea Eco-Products Institute)** established to provide information, develop criteria and educate officials
- **Korean Green Purchasing Network**
 - Established in 1999 based on Green Consumer Network
 - Draws up purchasing guidelines, publish eco-products catalogue, give awards, conduct survey, etc.

THAILAND

Green Purchasing Activities

- Thai Green Purchasing Network founded in August 2004 under the project “Development of Greening the Supply Chain (GSC) Model for Use in Thailand”
- Secretariat: Thailand Environment Institute
- Missions
 - To define concept and definition of “Green Purchasing and Procurement” and “Green Product” in Thailand
 - To gather information and materials related to “green products” and disseminate to public
 - To provide guidelines about Green Purchasing procedure “best practices”.
 - To raise consumers’ awareness on Green Purchasing policy and green products in Thailand
 - To organise information exchange forum among members and other organizations

Conclusions

- **Governments across the world already started Green Purchasing and have made considerable successes.**
- **Legal framework securing Green Purchasing is necessary.**
- **Businesses expected to practice Green Purchasing as well as to supply eco-products.**
- **Provision of product-related environmental information is essential.**
- **International sharing of good experiences, information and know-how will contribute to dissemination of Green Purchasing.**



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