Local Adaptation of Flood Management Training in Indonesia

CityNet, CBDI and Banda Aceh municipality jointly organized the localized version of the Flood Risk Management training for Indonesian city officials from March 23rd-25th, building on the success of last year’s Training of Trainers hosted by Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Singapore Environment Institute.

Announcing the date of 33rd Executive Committee Meeting

CityNet is pleased to announce that the Thirty Third Session of the Executive Committee and international conference seminar will take place from October 5th-7th, 2015 in Sidoarjo, Indonesia. Further details on both the event programmes and registration process will be announced as they become available in the following months.

2015 National Chapter Call for Proposals

The 2015 National Chapter Call for Proposals has been disseminated to all National Chapter focal points. The Secretariat is anticipating a wide range of dynamic proposals this year. To apply, please contact your local National Chapter or email Marina at programs2@citynet-ap.org for the application form. Applications are due on April 17, 2015.

Affordable Housing at ICLEI Congress

CityNet will host a side event on Affordable Housing in the Asia Pacific region on April 8th at the ICLEI World Congress in Seoul. The Side Event will cover topics including slum upgrading, property rights, land use and housing data. The Secretariat will also host a lunch following the side event for all CityNet members. Please contact Marina at programs2@citynet-ap.org for further information.

We look forward to your participation in CityNet activities in 2015

CityNet will conduct with the list of CityNet activities throughout the year covering key urban issues including disaster management, flood management, affordable housing, infrastructure financing, and urban planning. Spaces might be limited so apply as soon as possible if you are interested in attending.

CityNet is Hiring Summer Interns!

Would you or someone you know like to gain hands-on experience working on sustainable urban development projects, events or communications? CityNet is hiring Summer Interns to work for 3-6 months at the Secretariat in Seoul. The deadline for applications is May 1st. Please email Marina Brenden at programs2@citynet-ap.org with any inquiries.

Network News

World Bank Chinese Public Officer’s Study Visit Program

On March 23rd, twenty officers from various Chinese municipalities visited the Seoul Global Center amid the World Bank Chinese Public Officer’s Study Visit Program organized by the Korean Transport Institute. During the visit, the officers had the opportunity to hear about CityNet Activities and learn about Korea’s Urban Railway System and Transit Oriented Development in Seoul.

7th World Water Forum

Safe Cities Asia 2015

Read our new blog on Integrated Solid Waste
In Gyeongju, Republic of Korea
Following the last Forum held in Marseille in 2012 focusing on solutions, the 7th Forum will take place in Gyeongju, from April 12th-17th, 2015. This Forum is the largest and main international meeting on water management and sanitation, held every three years and gathering central governments and ministers, local and regional authorities, policy makers and operators.

Singapore
From May 12th to 14th, the World Business Research (WBR) is organizing Safe Cities Asia 2015 conference in Singapore, where CityNet Secretary General Vijay Jagannathan will be speaking about Asian perspectives on the core elements of a smart, resilient city strategy.

Management
Along with the rapid growth of cities in the Asia Pacific region, the need to ensure the sustainability of waste management is becoming increasingly crucial. Find out more about how to conduct sustainable waste management in our latest blog.

Yokohama Project Office
CBARAD Project shared at the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
The Mayor of Iloilo Jed Patrick Mabilog attended to 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai from March 14-15 to share CBARAD results and accomplishments at one of the public forums organised by CityNet Yokohama Project Office and the City of Yokohama.

CBARAD-II is officially signed
JICA Yokohama, City of Yokohama, Iloilo City Government and CityNet Yokohama Project Office officially signed the MOU for launching the second phase of CBARAD starting end of March 2015. The signing was conducted on the sidelines of the WCDRR in Sendai.

Mayor Mabilog Visits National Crisis Command Center
Taking the occasion for attending the conference in Sendai, Mayor Mabilog visited the National Crisis Command Center in Tokyo to understand the coordination, preparedness and response tactics of a large metropolis.

Nepalesse Delegation Visit to Yokohama
Following the attendance at the World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai, the Nepalesse delegation composed of the members of the national and local governments as well as NGOs led by National Society for Earthquake Technology (NSET) visited Yokohama Municipal Disaster Prevention Center to learn about Yokohama’s initiatives on public awareness.

CityNet Youth Japan takes on urban waste issues for knowledge sharing
Members of CityNet Youth Japan organised a field trip to Nepal in February to learn as well as share knowledge on urban waste and recycling to communities and children in Nepal.

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