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Side Event

Mangrove Planting Initiatives in ASEAN Countries: Post Indian Ocean Tsunami 2004

6 May 2022, 12.00pm-1.30pm

Room: 307C, COEX, Seoul, Republic of Korea

The damage done by the Asian tsunami highlighted the value of mangrove ecosystems, the problems that affect local coastal people if they have been lost, and the need to restore damaged, cleared or degraded mangroves. However, the results of post-tsunami planting were mixed at best, and later planting efforts have been no better.

This side event will help policy makers and those interested in mangroves avoid the same mistakes, develop appropriate enabling conditions and run successful restoration programs. Also a look at research that has been conducted and issues and challenges faced during planting.

- ❖ Why so much tsunami planting failed and how can we avoid the same problems
- ❖ Using R&D to promote planting success
- ❖ What can contemporary experience from Malaysia teach us about mangrove restoration
- ❖ The importance of the social side of mangrove restoration – community engagement, land tenure and holistic approaches
- ❖ Examples of thinking broadly and site-specific approaches – using semi-permeable structures and nature-based solutions



Opening Remarks

Dr. Ismail Hj. Parlan, Director General, Forest Research Institute Malaysia



Speaker



Lessons to be shared from Malaysia's post tsunami research

Dr. Wan Mohd Shukri Wan Ahmad, Director, Forestry and Environment Division, Forest Research Institute Malaysia



Issues and challenges in mangrove restoration from Malaysia's perspective

Mr. Mohd Radhi Chu Abdullah, Forest Plantation and Forest Protection Division, Forestry Department Peninsular Malaysia



Local community empowerment in Mangroves Restoration – case studies from Malaysia and Indonesia

Ms. Yong Huaimei, Technical Officer, Wetlands International Malaysia



Lessons and guidance for policy people from MAP's community-based ecological mangrove restoration best practice

Dr. Dominic Wodehouse, Executive Director of Mangrove Action Project (MAP)

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