

The Challenge

In China, the economic growth has contributed to poverty alleviation and improved living standards. However, the economic boom also increased energy consumption and environmental degradation while raising concerns about workers' and consumers' health and safety conditions.

Rapidly growing and bearing a strong impact on international global supply chains, the electrical and electronics industries substantially contribute to China's water and air pollution including CO2 emissions.

The Path to Improvements

SWITCH-Asia project Strengthening Electrical Electronics Sector (ESEEC) aims to promote sustainable production patterns. By mobilising the private sector along with relevant public sector authorities, the project ambitions to improve performance of over 500 Chinese SMEs in the electrical and electronics sector in the areas of eco-efficiency, occupational health & safety and corporate social responsibility.

SMEs with a solid understanding of the integrated CSR approach will streamline the management of environmental and social issues at the workplace. The holistic CSR model ensures sustainable production cycles by key stakeholders and strengthens the SMEs compliance with environmental standards in the **Electric and Electronics Industry.**

In a Nutshell

The Environmental and Safety Performance in the Electrical & **Electronics Industry in China**" project seeks to improve the performance of over 500 Chinese SMEs in the electrical and electronics sector in the areas of eco-efficiency, occupational health & safety (OHS) and corporate social SWITCH-Asia "Improving responsibility (CSR).

EC co-financing

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Target Sector

Electrical and electronics industry in China

Product Groups Covered

- Home electrical appliances
- •Electronic commodities
- Electronic components
- Information and communication products

The Project and its Impact

Strengthened eco-efficiency, OHS and CSR practices for over 500 SMEs, including 12 pilot SMEs

capacity of Chinese Improved auditing and certification bodies on standards management and European eco-efficiency, OHS and **CSR** practies

Expected Impacts & Results

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Improved quality of current and potential Chinese suppliers European supply chains leading to strengthened partnerships

Improved capacity and regulatory codes of Chinese policy makers in European eco-efficiency, OHS and **CSR** standards

The Outreach Strategy

Guidelines

CSR

of participating SMEs.

in

Standards

summarized

A review of relevant European and Chinese

standards in the area of eco-efficiency, OHS

reference document for all project actions.

On this basis, a sustainable production

Conformity Model serves as the technical

framework for the assessment and auditing

The experiences of 12 pilot SMEs will be

development of an e-learning platform and

tailored training materials for 500 SMEs.

Regional and a national launch events build

awareness on the project themes, objectives

compiled in comprehensive

case studies for

constitutes

Target Locations



- Bohai Basin including Beijing, Tianjin and Shandong
- Jiangsu
- Zhejiang, including Shanghai
- Shenzhen Industrial Zone
- Pearl River Delta, including **Guangdong and Guangxi**

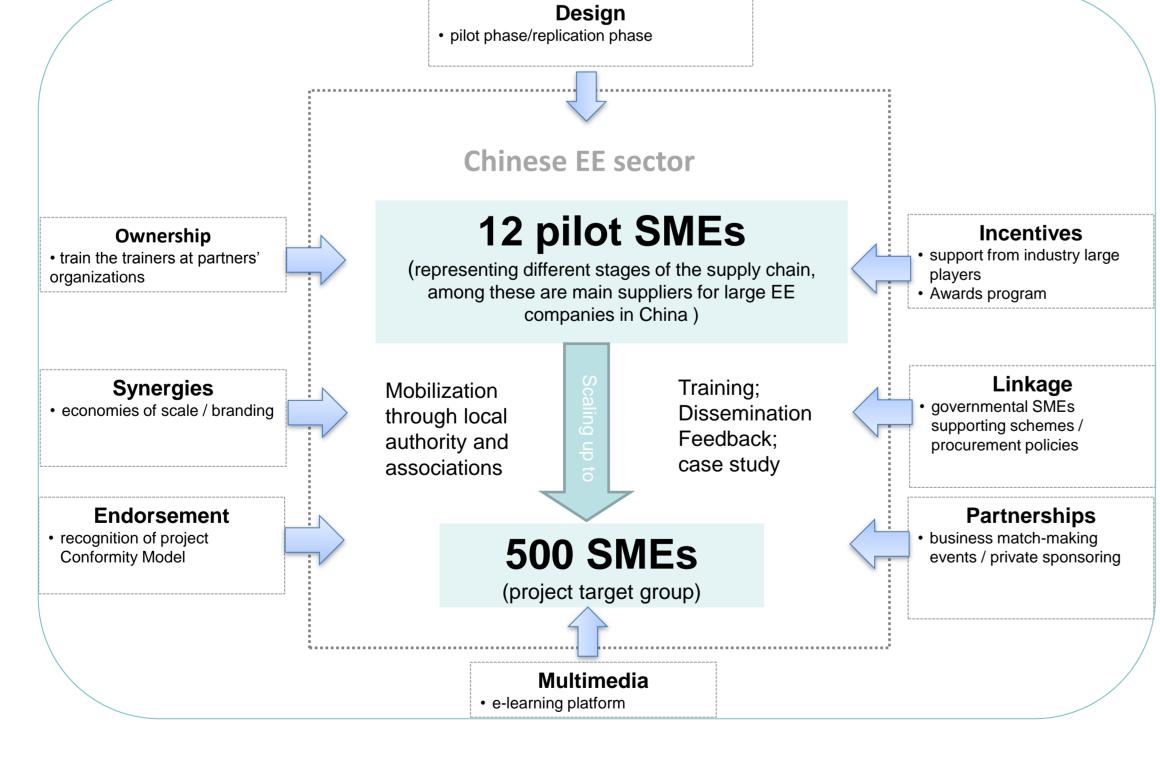
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