



SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING - THINKING CIRCULAR ECONOMY BY BUSINESSES

Wednesday, 27 March, 12:00 PM - 13:15 PM
UNCC, meeting room MR A

Flash Report

Name: Side Event “Sustainability Reporting–Thinking Circular Economy by Businesses” at the 6th Session of The Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development

Date: 27 March 2019, Bangkok, Thailand

Venue: United Nation Conference Center (UNCC), Bangkok, Thailand

Objectives: This side event organized a dialogue between private sectors and policy makers on sustainability reporting to support Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by looking at the

- awareness of private sector and policy makers for sustainability reporting
- standards of sustainability reporting such as Global Reporting Initiative
- interact partnership between private sector and governments for effective sustainability reporting.

This side event’s entry point is SDG 17 for sustainability reporting as means of implementation of especially through target 12.6 (12.6 Encourage companies, especially large and transnational companies, to adopt sustainable practices and to integrate sustainability information into their reporting cycle 12.6.1 Number of companies publishing sustainability reports)

The event involved wide spectrum of participants, including; governments, inter-governmental organizations, private sectors, civil society organizations and academia. It focused on discussing and exchanging the best practices on greening of the businesses through sustainability reporting by business and financial community and enabling environment by policy makers. The dialogue and discussions on sustainability reporting, happened in the side event, will leverage new mechanism and act on circular economy for businesses that help underpinning the shift towards more sustainable patterns of production and consumption.



From right to left: Welcome and Opening Remarks by: Mr. Giuseppe Busini, Deputy Head of the EU Delegation to Thailand and Ms. Isabelle Louis, Deputy Regional Director, the United Nations Environment Programme, Asia and the Pacific Office



From right to left: Panel Discussions: **Mr. Charkrit Direkwattanachai**, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, BEC World Public Company Limited, Thailand, **Mr. Rakesh Bhargava**, Chief Climate & Sustainability Officer, Shree Cement Limited, India, **Ms. Sirivipa Supantanet**, Deputy Secretary-General, Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC, Thailand) and **Ms. Cristina Tebar Less**, Head, Responsible Business Conduct Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)



More than 80 participants from governments, inter-governmental organizations, private sectors, civil society organizations and academia attended in the side event Sustainability Reporting-Thinking Circular Economy by Businesses.



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