

# Role of Integrated Environment Assessment Models in Developing Nations

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# Framework of APEIS



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# Management Framework

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## **Objectives of APEIS**

- To develop scientific knowledge-based tools and innovative strategy options to promote informed decision-making
- To promote regional cooperation and capacity building
- To propose a model of a regional initiative to substantiate and realize the Plan of Implementation for the WSSD

### Three Sub-Projects

- **IEM**: to develop an integrated environmental monitoring system
- **IEA**: to provide integrated models of the environment and economy, as well as a strategic database
- **RISPO**: to propose innovative and strategic policy options and policy inventories

### Integrated Environmental Innovation Strategy Project Asia-Pacific Environmental Assessments (IEA)

- A set of integrated assessment models as major tools of APEIS, including an environment-economy model, an ecosystem/health impact model, a water resource/agriculture model, a material/recycle-economy model and an energy technology model
- Strategic database as well as indicators for APEIS use
- Systematic projections of environmental trends as well as assessments of innovative options based on the above models and database

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# **Participating Organizations**

NIES (Japan); Kyoto University (Japan); Energy Research Institute (China); Institute of Geographical Sciences and Natural Resources Research(China); Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (India); Asian Institute of Technology (Thailand); Korea Environment Institute (Korea); Sangmyung University (Korea); Universiti Putra Malaysia (Malaysia)

**Calling for wider participation** 

# **Capacity Building Activities**

 Assessment models are transferred with detailed manuals
Experts are invited to NIES or participating organizations to participate in the model development process
The 1<sup>st</sup> Capacity Building Workshop on IEA will be held in October 2002 in Delhi, India.

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### Why is Innovation Required for **Environmental Policies?**

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**Environmental protection** 

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Why the Japanese pollution control was integrated with economic development ?

(1) Technological development was essential to reduce the costs of pollution abatement.

(2) A Competitive market gave an environment which was crucial in giving companies the incentive to invest in technology development.

(3) Environmental investment created new businesses and industries in Japan, which increased Japan's GDP.

(4) Such environmental investment improved not only the quality of products, but also production processes and recycling processes in factories, which in turn encouraged Japan's long-term development.

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Asia-Pacific Environmental Innovation Strategy Project

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#### Production of Environmental Industries in the Asia-Pacific Major Countries (billion US\$)

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#### What is Integrated Assessment (IA)?

A framework for the "best available synthesis of current scientific, technical, economic, and sociopolitical knowledge" (IPCC 1995).

History

1<sup>st</sup> IA : Climatic Impacts Assessment Program (CIAP) <u>late 1970s</u> Formal computer simulation models were introduced <u>during 1980s</u> IA trials in ozone layer, acid rain, and climate change issues <u>1990s</u> Rapid increase of interest in the IA and many progresses in <u>computer simulation models</u> as a <u>core tool</u> of IA.

## Integrated assessment and Capacity Building

- integrated assessment approaches have led to improvements in communication between policy-makers and scientists
- the development of Integrated Assessment Model has greatly improved the ability of, and incentives for, scientists and policy makers to integrate their research and governance activities

# Integrated assessment and Capacity Building (cont.)

• the development of integrated assessment approaches has created a competitive situation among science and policy fields, which encourage new research and policymaking • therefore, long-term joint research program for integrated assessment is one of very effective way to build capacity for comprehensive policymaking