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## **Provisional Programme of**

## **UNCRD Webinar**

**on**

## **The Second State of the 3Rs and Resource Circulation and Circular Economy in Asia and the Pacific – Thematic Sections**

**Date:** 28 March 2022 (Monday)

**Time:** 14:00-15:30 JST

**Format:** Online through WebEx Platform

**Organizer**

United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD) of Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG) / UN DESA

\*Duration of Webinars: Approximately 90 minutes

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<b>Time</b>	<b>Programme</b>
14:00-15:30 JST (90 min)	<b>The Second State of the 3Rs and Resource Circulation and Circular Economy in Asia and the Pacific – Thematic Sections</b>
14:00-15:30 JST (90 min)	<p><b>Background:</b> Since the launch of the 3R Initiative in 2005, a lot of experience and information was shared among countries. The Regional 3R &amp; Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific has accumulated lots of information through the form of background papers and country reports. There was a consensus among countries to develop a synthesis and status report of implementation of 3R in Asia and the Pacific on a periodic basis.</p> <p>In February 2014 at the 5th Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific in Surabaya, a group of experts gathered and discussed about the possibility of preparing a 3R white paper. Experts subsequently joining at the second drafting committee meeting on 25th Feb 2014 in Tokyo agreed to propose the title of synthesis and status report to be “State of the 3Rs in Asia and the Pacific”. The overall objective of State of the 3Rs in Asia and the Pacific is to assist the member countries of the Regional 3R &amp; Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific for improved decision making towards effective implementation of 3Rs and resource circulation and circular economy approaches at local and national level, including promotion of 3Rs as an economic industry, by improving data, information, and indicators availability in all waste sectors (municipal, industrial, hazardous, WEEE, agricultural and biological, etc.). With an objective to achieve a low carbon and resource efficient society, it also aims to contribute towards the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).</p> <p><b>The specific objectives are:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. To develop synthesis and assessment report on current status of 3R policy implementation in the region based on country reports submitted to the Regional 3R &amp; Circular Economy Forum in Asia and Pacific.</li></ol>

	<p>ii. To compile data-relevant to monitor progress of 3R policy implementation in the region in relation to the Hanoi 3R Declaration (2013-2023).</p> <p>iii. To contribute to the Regional 3R &amp; Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific by providing science-based advice on existing and future challenges and opportunities, including those on business, socioeconomic and sociocultural aspects of the 3R in advancing resource circulation and circular economy in the region.</p> <p>iv. The First State of 3R in Asia and the Pacific was officially launched at the 8th Regional 3R Forum in Asia-Pacific in Indore, India, in 2018. The Second State of 3R and Circular Economy report is expected to be officially launched in 2023 at the 12th Regional 3R and Circular Forum in Asia-Pacific (note: the Hanoi 3R Declaration (2013-2023) will come to an end in 2023).</p>	
<p>14:00-15:30 JST (90 min)</p>	<p><b>Presentation 1:</b> Thematic Sub-section: Agricultural Biomass Waste and Livestock Waste  - by <b>Prof. Agamuthu Pariatamby</b>, Associate Dean, School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Sunway University, Malaysia (10 min)</p> <p><b>Presentation 2:</b> Thematic Sub-section: Electronic Waste  - by <b>Dr. Sunil Herat</b>, Griffith School of Engineering, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia (10 min)</p> <p><b>Presentation 3:</b> Thematic Sub-section: Wastewater Management – Challenges, Treatment and Circular Economic Opportunities  - by <b>Prof. Chettiyappan Visvanathan</b>, Department of Energy, Environment &amp; Climate Change, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand (10 min)</p> <p><b>Presentation 4:</b> Thematic Sub-section:</p>	<p><b>Session Chair:</b>  <b>Ms. Nivedita Prasad</b>, Deputy Secretary, Department Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India</p> <p><b>Facilitator/ Moderator:</b>  <b>Mr. Choudhury Rudra Charan Mohanty</b>, Environment Programme Coordinator, United Nations Centre for</p>

14:00- 15:30 JST (90 min)	Food Waste - by <b>Prof. Anthony Shun Fung Chiu</b> , <i>De La Salle University, the Philippines (10 min)</i>	<i>Regional Development (UNCRD)- DSDG/UN DESA</i>
	<b>Open Discussion (50 min)</b>	<b>Rapporteur:</b> <b>Mr. Amit Jain</b> , <i>Managing Director, IRG Systems South Asia Pvt. Ltd, India and Dr. Anupam Khajuria,</i> <i>Researcher, United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD)- DSDG/UN DESA</i>
<b>End of Webinar</b>		