

Activity Plan for Low Carbon Cities in 2027

Objective: By 2030, the NEA-LCCP is developed to a fully functional platform to support communications and cooperation among stakeholders and promote awareness and capacity for developing and implementing low carbon city plans.

Activities:

A. Knowledge Production: Research and Policy Advice

1. Develop policy briefs (Q1 onwards)

Approach: The secretariat will develop a compilation of policy briefs together with NEA-LCCP partners, showcasing their implemented initiatives and practical experiences. The publication will be structured around the four interconnected thematic areas of the 9th Asia-Pacific Urban Forum (APUF-9): (i) urban planning, settlements and housing; (ii) climate action and urban resilience; (iii) smart cities and digital transformation; and (iv) circular economy and urban resource management. The secretariat will coordinate the contributions from NEA-LCCP partners and provide editorial oversight, with a view of launching the publication during the 7th International Forum on Low Carbon Cities (IFLCC-7). The development of the policy briefs is in line with the envisaged outputs (under the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030) to increase knowledge resources on urban climate action as well as to strengthen capacity of NEA-LCCP to provide technical and practical support through linking, mobilizing and connecting expert networks.

Budget: US\$5,000

B. Knowledge Sharing: Capacity Building

2. Organize the 7th International Forum on Low Carbon Cities (Q2-August / September)

Approach: The secretariat will organize the forum in consultation with the host city and relevant partners. Building on previous forums, the forum will bring together representatives of cities, national governments, research institutions, city networks and international organizations to exchange practical approaches to low carbon urban development. Based on preliminary discussions with organizers, the forum is planned to be held as an associated event during APUF-9, which will be held from 31 August to 2 September 2027 in Yokohama, Japan. The policy briefs will be used to shape the forum's theme and session structure. The organization of the forum is in line with the envisaged output (under the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030) to

enhance exchange of knowledge and best practices on low carbon urban development.

Budget: US\$20,000

C. Knowledge Outreach: Dissemination

3. Participate in the 9th Asia-Pacific Urban Forum

Approach: The secretariat will coordinate with APUF-9 organizers to participate in relevant activities (e.g., promotional booths, side events, etc.) with a view to raising the visibility of NEASPEC's work on low carbon cities, including launching the policy briefs compilation together with NEA-LCCP partners. The participation aims to strengthen the visibility and outreach of NEASPEC's work and promote awareness of its role in regional and global environmental cooperation, in line with the NEASPEC Strategic Plan 2026-2030.

Budget: US\$5,000