



[Discussion on green building regulations being established in Batam]

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Yokohama applies CASBEE experience in technical cooperation with Batam, Indonesia

The City of Yokohama and Batam City, Indonesia, co-organized workshops in Batam on January 16 and 17.

Batam is an island city located about an hour from Singapore by ferry. Yokohama is supporting Batam in establishing environmentally friendly "Green building regulation" through the Japan Ministry of the Environment's "Project for Development of a Low-Carbon City through City-to-City Collaboration between Batam and Yokohama in FY2018."

On the first day of the workshops, the Housing and Architecture Bureau introduced the Comprehensive Assessment System for Built Environment Efficiency (CASBEE) and had fruitful discussions with Batam's team on the operational structure of Green building regulation.



On the second day, six Yokohama-based firms shared related environmental technologies contributing to green building such as energy efficiency, wastewater treatment, and waste management, and received warm interest from local firms and the Chamber of Commerce.

Yokohama shares SDGs Future Cities, Y-PORT initiatives at "10th High-Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities"

Personnel from the Yokohama Climate Change Policy Headquarters and the International Affairs Bureau represented the City of Yokohama at the "10th High-Level Seminar on Sustainable Cities," held in Bali, Indonesia on January 21 and 22, and presented Yokohama's "SDGs Future City" initiatives and the work of its Y-PORT Project.



This seminar was held to enable stakeholders to share effective policy measures and initiatives aimed at establishing sustainable urban development in the ASEAN region, and to encourage wider implementation. Yokohama's delegation fielded questions about its "zero carbon" efforts to reduce emissions and received attention regarding its technical cooperation activities. They also had the opportunity to network with officials from ASEAN countries where Y-PORT projects are progressing and with private firms working on approaches to waste management and climate change resilience.

"Global Savers" exhibition on the frontline of coordinated disaster response shown at JICA Yokohama

A special exhibit on disaster prevention is on display at JICA Yokohama. Having faced and overcome many natural disasters, Japan works to share its disaster response know-how and practices with developing countries to avoid preventable damage and protect local communities.

With displays of photos and images illustrating the collaborative efforts being conducted in developing regions, an activity to collect commemorative ink stamps, and uniforms to try on, the exhibit offers a fun learning experience for children and adults alike.



Additionally, the exhibit introduces the work of the CITYNET Yokohama Project Office and that of the City of Yokohama itself, such as multilingual leaflets regarding disaster preparedness and tsunami evacuation information.

The exhibit is on display through
Sunday, March 24.

<https://www.jica.go.jp/yokohama/event/2018/181207.html>