

Early Warning,
not too Late Lessons

Korea case
and
Asian NGO's
E&H Action Network

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Environment & Health Issues in Korea

- Black box between Environment and Health Administration/Ministry
- Shift From High Concentrations and Short-term Exposure To Low Concentrations and Long-term Exposure

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Environment & Health Issues in Korea

- Co-existence of Resident's Health issues nearby specific Pollution Emission sources and Ordinary Citizen's Health issues for general environmental issues
- From Acute/Chronic Pollution Disease(公害病) to Chronic Environmental Disease(環境疾患)

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Environment & Health Issues in Korea 'Population at Risk' Approach

- Air-pollution and Population at Risk
- Water-pollution and Population at Risk
- Industrial complex, unit of factory and Population at Risk
- Nuclear reactors and Population at Risk
- Food Safety and Population at Risk
- ETC
 - Closed Mine and Population at Risk
 - Incinerators, Landfill sites and Population at Risk
 - Electro-Magnetic-Field and Population at Risk

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Environment & Health Movement Perspectives

- ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT
- PUBLIC HEALTH
 - POPULATION AT RISK
- ECOLOGY
- PRECAUTIONALY PRINCIPLE
- ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
 - SUSCEPTABLE POPULATION

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Environment & Health Issues in Asia

- One of main global emission sources; 'World Factory'
- Large numbers of Asian population at Risk
- Lack of awareness of the Environment & Health seriousness

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Environment & Health Issues in Asia

- Increasing trans-boundary Environment & Health problems
- Sub-regional differences:
 - Geographic differences,
 - socio-cultural differences,
 - Economic differences,
 - Political differences,

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Trans-boundary E&H issues in Asia

- Pollution Factories
- Toxic Chemical and Waste issues
- Nuclear Reactors and Safety issues

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Trans-boundary E&H issues in Asia

- Yellow Storm issue in North East Asia
- Haze issue caused by man-made forest fire in South East Asia

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Trans-boundary E&H issues in Asia

- Food Safety issue
- Mercury contamination issue

- Bird flu issue
- SARS issue

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E&H Movement in Asia

- The necessity of E&H movement beyond borders
- From Information sharing networking To Action collaboration
- Actively involve The 1st Asia Pacific Ministers Forum of Environment & Health, Nov 2006 in Bangkok

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What to do? for NGOs Collaboration

- Organizing 'Asia NGO's E&H Action Network',
 - From Networking to Action Collaboration
- Workshop for NGO capacity building
- Publication the white paper of E&H problems in Asia from the NGO perspectives

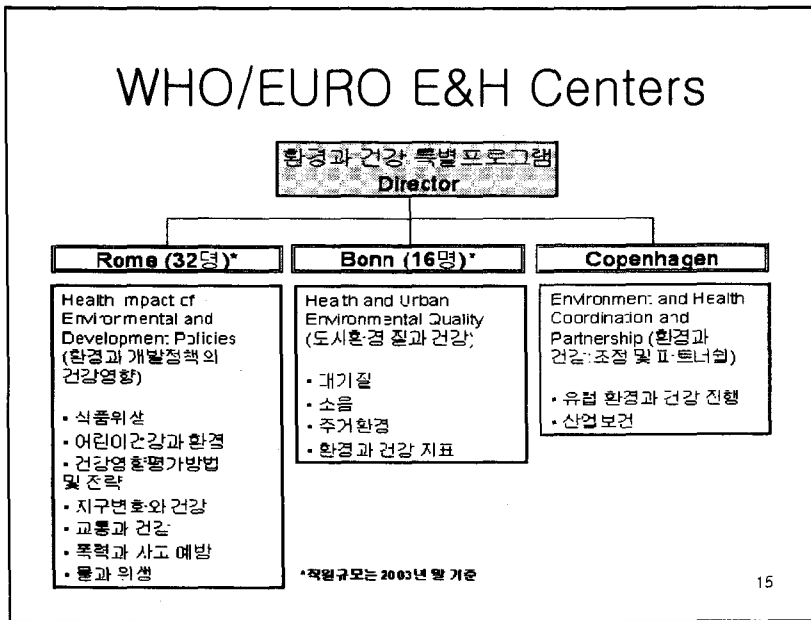
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What to do? for Government Monitoring

- Monitoring Government policies and activities
- Monitoring and active involving the NEHAPs (national Environment & Health action plans)
- Monitoring Country reports to the Forum
- Raising the necessity of UN level 'Asia E&H Centers'

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WHO/EURO E&H Centers



European Commission E&H Bonn Office

