

CITIES CLEAN AIR PARTNERSHIP

The **Cities Clean Air Partnership (CCAP)** asserts that city-level action is the foundation for addressing the global challenge of air pollution and its impact on public health. CCAP establishes a comprehensive platform for cities to cooperate and jointly address air quality challenges. The initiative will strengthen air quality management capacity in Asian cities and drive measurable results through city-level actions. We aim to reach more than 200 cities across Asia.

We recognize that cities are on the front lines in the fight against air pollution and climate change, and that managing air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions are complex tasks requiring long-term commitment and multi-stakeholder actions at the city level.

CCAP aims to provide cities with incentives, direct support, and technical assistance to keep them moving incrementally and continuously towards their clean air targets through:

- **City Partnering Program**

that promotes city-to-city learning and collaboration to drive measurable results through city-level actions. The "twinning" of volunteer cities will allow exchange of effective practices and innovative solutions to help address specific air quality management challenges faced by cities.

The Bay Area and South Coast Air Quality Management Districts are initial US partners that support the creation of this new framework of cooperation which will be an open initiative involving more participating cities and partners in the future.

- **City Certification Program** that provides incentives for implementing transformational change for better air quality and livable cities. Cities will be able to communicate their achievements made towards air quality management goals through a "seal of approval" (or



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"In 2012 around 7 million people died – one in eight of total global deaths – as a result of air pollution exposure ... the new data reveal a stronger link between both indoor and outdoor air pollution exposure and cardiovascular diseases, such as strokes and ischaemic heart disease, as well as between air pollution and cancer." -World Health Organization, 2014

eco-label). The program offers international recognition for cities taking significant steps to improve their air quality and gives a clear roadmap to continually improve capacity to manage air pollution.

- **Knowledge platform** for sharing best practices and networking, including an online experts database accessible to CCAP cities. This platform includes city training programs to strengthen capacity of cities on emissions inventory, air quality monitoring tools and management strategies for pollutants of concern such as PM_{2.5}.

CCAP is supported by the International Environmental Partnership, an environmental collaboration program established by the Environmental Protection Administration Taiwan and the United States Environmental Protection Agency aimed at assisting environmental agencies and organizations around the globe strengthen their capacity to manage the environment and protect human health.



Clean Air Asia, an international NGO established in 2001 as the premier air quality network for Asia by the Asian Development Bank, World Bank and USAID, implements the Cities Clean Air Partnership (CCAP). Our mission is to promote better air quality and livable cities by translating knowledge to policies and actions that enable Asia's 1000+ cities reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from transport, energy and other sectors.

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