

Individual Projects of the Environment Subcommittee

The Third International Ecological Forum - Nature without borders - (Primorsky)

1 Objectives

This forum aims to discuss promotion of the cooperation internationally and domestically for developing the appropriate environment, safe handling of the waste, or rational use of natural resources. Through the forum, experiences of participating countries are summarized on these agendas. It also aims to deepen the understanding among the federal government, municipalities, NPOs, NGOs, home and abroad, and establish a cooperative network among them.

2 Outline

(1) Date: November 12 to 13, 2008

(2) Place: Vladivostok, Russia

(3) Organization

Each municipality disseminates information on "The Third International Ecological Forum - Nature without borders - " and calls for experts, NGOs, NPOs, private companies, which are interested in the environmental problems, as well as appropriate departments of the municipality, to participate in the forum.

I) Theme: Rational use of natural resources

II) Main agendas

- Marine environment: the current status and future direction of environmental protection, and an integrated management in the coastal area
- Rational use of water sources and the problem of the freshwater quality
- International cooperation for handling the radioactive matter as one of the factors to maintain the healthy environment in the Primorsky.
- Forest protection and forest growth
- Remote sensing: detection of a sign of a disaster

(4) Participants

Any related people who concerned with the environmental problems in the Northwest Asia were invited to the forum. As the NEAR member, Toyama, Tottori and Sakhalin participated in the forum. Other participants came from various countries such as, USA, Germany, Australia, Japan, China, Vietnam, Mongol, Kazakhstan. From Russia, representatives joined in the forum from Moscow, Krasnoyarsk, Khabarovsk, Tyumen, Chit, Sakhalin, Magadan, Amur, Jewish Autonomous Oblast, as well as Primorsky.

A panel presentation was also held with the theme of "Environment and the rational use of the natural resources." 26 organizations set up their own booths for the panel exhibition. From abroad, 2 presentations were made, one of which was Toyama.

(5) Annual plan

In 2006 and 2007, the forum was held in Vladivostok where over 600 participants joined from home and abroad. In 2008 about 700 people participated in the forum. It is planned to organize the forum in October 6 to 8, 2009.

November 12

Plenary meeting



November 12 & 13

Panel Presentation

