

## CCICED 2021 Roundtable and High-level Dialogue on International Cooperation for Ecology and Environment

## Building a Community with a Shared Future for Humanity: Synergies between Pollution Control and Carbon Emission Reduction

Date: Thursday 3 June 2021 Venue: Wyndham Suzhou Fenhu

China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED) has established its roundtable mechanism since 2008, which is held once a year to share the results of CCICED policy research with decision-makers at local governments, and discuss hot topics, challenges, and urgent issues on environment and development.

Achieving carbon dioxide emissions peak and carbon neutrality requires broad and profound changes in economic and social systems. The Yangtze River Delta is one of the most active, open, and innovative regions in China. It will play an important and demonstrative role in the new journey of achieving carbon dioxide emissions peak and carbon neutrality. To this end, the roundtable this year will have discussions around the theme "Building a Community with a Shared Future for Humanity: Synergies between Pollution Control and Carbon Emission Reduction", including sharing CCICED research outcomes on climate governance, nature-based solutions, and others, as well as exchanging ideas with the local government on the following topics:

- Implementation of the new development concept, and coordinated governance of pollution control, carbon emissions reduction, and ecological improvement;
  - Possible pathways and challenges in early peaking;
- Good practices in the Yangtze River Delta region in promoting ecological and environmental protection together with economic development.

### Draft Agenda

Wednesday 2 June 19:00-20:00 Reception

**Thursday 3 June** 

Morning Roundtable

#### 09:00-09:40 **Opening Session**

Chaired by Mr. Guo Jing, CCICED Deputy Secretary General, Director General of Department of International Cooperation, MEE

#### **Opening Remarks** (5' each)

- Mr. Zhao Yingmin, CCICED Secretary General; Vice Minister of Ecology and Environment
- TBC, People's Government of Jiangsu Province

#### **Keynote Speech** (10' each)

Green transition driven by market under the carbon neutrality target

• Mr. Liu Shijin, CCICED Chinese Chief Advisor, Deputy Director of the Economic Committee, National Committee of the CPPCC

Nature-based Solution as a way to tackle pollution and climate mitigation and adaptation

• Mr. Scott Vaughan, CCICED International Chief Advisor, Former President and CEO of International Institute for Sustainable Development (online)

Thoughts and practices of Wujiang District in its implementation of "lucid waters and lush mountains are invaluable assets" theory

• Mr. Wang Guorong, Chief of Wujiang District, Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province

# 09:40-11:30 Roundtable Discussion: Pathways and Challenges in Carbon Peaking in the Yangtze River Delta

Chaired by Ms. Zhou Guomei, CCICED Deputy Secretary General, Director General of Foreign Environmental Cooperation Center, MEE

Speakers (5' each)

#### 11:30-11:50 Summary

Afternoon Site Visit to Suzhou's Practices of Green Development (tbc)