Hamamatsu Declaration

The 9th Meeting for Asian 3R Network Among Local Governments was held on January 31, 2017 in Hamamatsu City, Shizuoka Prefecture. The participating parties including four local governments from Asian countries, namely Bandung City, Kota Kinabalu City, Bangkok Metropolitan Administration and Da Nang City, four local governments from Japan, namely Hamamatsu City, Akita City, Osaka City and Yokohama City, and the other organizations related to 3R promotion discussed “3R Developments Promoted by Collaboration Among Asian Cities” as its main theme while they exchanged information and opinions from various perspectives, and successfully completed the meeting.

Acknowledging that the contents of the presentations and the results of the discussions must have significant meaning for the promotion of 3R in Asian cities, the meeting outcome is summarized as the following:

(1) Since 3R promotion has been recognized as a common issue among Asian cities, each local government is expected not only to implement the solid waste management but also to play the role as a coordinator committed to establish a system where many stakeholders of 3R promotion can mutually share their roles in close cooperation.

(2) When an Asian local government is to promote 3R, it should pay attention to the following points:
   1) To grasp the current status of solid waste management based on objective data to identify challenging issues
   2) To implement 3R based on a long-term plan, which should consider the aspects of facilities, financial resources and human resources.
   3) To support stakeholders to play their proper roles, as it is assumed that their roles are significant in reducing waste generation and recycling

(3) The organizer of the 9th conference should give consideration to sharing outcome of this meeting with many other local governments, private companies and citizens’ groups in Asia to utilize it, since experiences of forerunner cities would be useful for them to promote their 3R.

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At Hamamatsu City
All participants of the 9th Conference for Asian Local Governments