



## PROGRAM

### 9:30–9:50 a.m. OPENING SESSION



**OPENING REMARKS**

**Qingfeng Zhang**  
Senior Sector Director, SG-AFNR, ADB



**REMARKS BY**

**Yoko Watanabe**  
Director, Environment group, CCSD/CCRE, ADB



**MODERATOR**

**Noriko Sato**  
Senior Natural Resources Specialist, SG-AFNR Region 1, ADB

### 9:50–10:45 a.m. SESSION 1: OVERVIEW



**ADB's corporate approach on improved air quality**

**Karma Yangzom**  
Principal Environment Specialist, CCSD/CCRE-ENV, ADB



**Crop residue management through agricultural mechanization**

**Marco Silvestri**  
Deputy Head/Program Officer, UNESCAP Center for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization / Asia and Pacific Network for Testing of Agricultural; Machinery



**Overview of air quality management in the agriculture sector in South and West Asia region and possible collaboration with ADB**

**Bertrand Bessagnet**  
Coordinator, Air Pollution Action Area, The International Center for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD)

### 10:45–11:40 a.m. SESSION 2: COUNTRY EXPERIENCE OF PAKISTAN



**Why do farmers burn crop residue and how to stop burning?**

**Amina Bajwa**  
Food Security Specialist (Consultant), ADB



**Managing crop residue burning by using advanced harvest machinery: Evidence from Pilot testing and Impact Evaluation Study**

**Babur Wasim**  
Agriculture and Natural Resources Specialist (Staff Consultant), ADB



**Crop residue management for low carbon rice – the private sector's initiatives**

**Shahid Tarar**  
CEO, Galaxy Rice Mills, Pakistan

### 11:40 a.m.–12:20 p.m. SESSION 3: BIOMASS MANAGEMENT IN PRACTICE



**ADB's support for SAEL biomass energy projects in India**

**Sumika Nakane**  
Investment Specialist, PSOD, ADB



**Possible solutions on biomass managements or biomass pelletization for cleaner air**

**Bidya Banmali Pradhan**  
Senior Atmospheric Environment Specialist, ICIMOD



12:20–1:30 p.m.

### 1:30–2:10 p.m. SESSION 4: POTENTIAL USE OF CARBON MARKETS



**Carbon markets for agriculture and natural resources sector: opportunities and Challenges (Online)**

**Zeynep Pinar Ozturk**  
Carbon Market Specialist / Independent Consultant



**Beyond the smoke – The untapped potential of carbon markets for crop residue management**

**Hiz Jamali**  
Senior Climate Change Officer, CCSD/CCRE, ADB

### 2:10–2:50 p.m. SESSION 5: ADB'S PROGRAMMATIC APPROACHES FOR AIR QUALITY



**BTH Air Quality Improvement Projects**

**Lei Zhang**  
Unit Head, Project Administration Office, SG-ENE, ADB

### 3:00–3:20 p.m. SESSION 6: DISCUSSION & WRAP-UP



**MODERATOR**

**Sabah Abdullah**  
Senior Economist (Climate Change), ERDI/AREA, ADB



**DISCUSSANT**

**Erdenetuya Darinchuluun**  
Director's Advisor, ADB

### 3:20–3:30 p.m. CLOSING SESSION



**Mongolia Ulaanbaatar Air Quality Improvement Program**

**Maria Pia**  
Senior Urban Development Specialist, SG-WUD, ADB



**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Yasmin Siddiqi**  
Director, SG-AFNR Region 1, ADB



3:30 p.m.