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Lighting **I**nformation and **T**echnical **E**xchange for **S**tandards

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WHAT IS LITES.asia?

- An information exchange on lighting standards for energy efficiency
- A network of interested stakeholders from across Asia working collaboratively on lighting standards
 - ♦ In particular, focused on the work of the IEC's Technical Committee for Lamps and Related Equipment



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OBJECTIVES:

- Improve sharing of information on lighting standards in the region and promoting harmonization
- Facilitate greater involvement by Asian/APEC countries in the development of IEC standards, resulting in standards more appropriate for the region (enabling Asian/APEC countries to adopt IEC specifications with the need for minimum national variations)

While most Asian countries have a commitment to adopt IEC standards, in many cases standards are adapted to local conditions - jeopardising global harmonisation and creating a potential barrier to trade

HISTORY:

October 2009 Forum:

- Participants met to discuss the potential benefits of regional co-operation on standards (lighting)
- Released a communiqué to convey the willingness to participate in greater dialogue on national and international standards development & draw up actions to improve regional understanding of IEC activities and processes

Participating Countries:

- Australia
- China
- India
- Indonesia
- Philippines
- Sri Lanka
- Thailand
- Vietnam



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TEN-POINT PLAN: (as specified in the Communiqué)

1. Set up a network of interested stakeholders – LITES.asia
2. Communications through email alerts
3. A website will be established to keep stakeholders informed of the work plan and meeting schedule of the IEC Technical Committee
4. Website should give IEC National Committee contacts for each country
5. Website should provide a description of the national standards processes for each participating country

TEN-POINT PLAN: (cont'd)

6. Website should list national stakeholders, organisations and areas of expertise for each participating country
7. Meetings should be held twice a year to develop the network
8. Participating countries should be encouraged to share information on national standards developments relating to lighting
9. Outreach should be made to the IEC
10. A project manager should be funded to establish the network for its first two years of operation

ACTIVITIES:

- Keep member countries up-to-date with progress on the development of IEC standards for lighting.
- Email alerts provide updates on the work of IEC technical committee on such topics as CFLs, Mercury and LEDs.

Will facilitate greater involvement in the development of IEC standards, resulting in standards more appropriate for the region.

MEETINGS:

- Members of LITES.asia meet face to-face twice yearly to develop the network
- Virtual meetings are held by web-conference to discuss issues that arise between meetings.

WEBSITE (www.lites.asia) Beta Version

LITES.asia

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Welcome to LITES.asia

Asian countries working together on lighting standards

What is LITES.asia?

LITES stands for Lighting Information and Technical Exchange for Standards.

LITES.asia arose out of a meeting in October 2009, when representatives from Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam met to discuss the potential benefits of regional co-operation on the development of lighting standards.

Objective

Although it is recognised that most Asian countries have a commitment to adopting international IEC standards, in many cases these standards are subsequently changed to suit local conditions. This jeopardises global harmonisation efforts and results in potential barriers to trade.

The ultimate objective of LITES.asia is for Asian countries to adopt IEC standards without local revisions. This will be facilitated by a greater involvement of Asian countries in the IEC standards process, which should result in IEC standards which are more appropriate for the Asian region.

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Meetings & Events

January 16-20, 2010, Energy Efficient Lighting Design, Beruwala, Sri Lanka

March 2-5, 2010, LED China 2010, Guangzhou, China

April 13-16, 2010, Hong Kong International Lighting Fair (Spring Edition)

April 14-16, 2010, Lighting Japan LED/OLED Lighting Technology Expo, Tokyo

April 19-22, 2010, IEC Maintenance Team Meetings, Lamps and Related Equipment, Helsinki, Finland. For more information please email info@lites.asia

May 7-9, 2010, India International Light Fair 2010, Mumbai

May 27-29, 2010, Lighting South Asia, Mumbai, India

June 9-12, 2010, Guangzhou International Lighting Exhibition, Guangzhou, China

June 23-25, 2010, Clean Energy Asia Forum 2010, Manila, Philippines

September 15-17, 2010, Elenex Vietnam, Saigon

October 4-15, 2010, IEC TC34 Tri-Annual Meeting + Maintenance Team Meetings, Seattle, USA (dates to be confirmed). For more information please email info@lites.asia

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