



***lites.asia* Regional Lighting Policy Meeting**

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Background to lites.asia

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- Inception - Hong Kong October 2009, representatives from Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, USA and Vietnam met to discuss the potential benefits of regional co-operation on the development of lighting standards.
- Developed a ten point plan which in essence was about:
 - Improving knowledge of standards in force and under development across the region;
 - Increasing participation of regional economies in the IEC standards development process to ensure resulting test methods and performance standards are appropriate to the region;
 - The development of national and regional capacity for compliance in standards and labeling processes.

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- Between 2009 and 2011 lites.asia was supported by US Aid funded ECO-Asia and the Australian Government.
- From late 2011-15 the Australian Government has supported lites.asia through AusAID Fast Start funding.
- Now lites.asia managed by UNEP en.lighten as part of regional project with Australian support.
- In-kind support has also been received from the many participants in lites.asia meetings and projects.
- Regional meetings have enabled participants to share their experiences in working to achieve improved lighting efficiency and quality; learn more about international standards development; and hear from experts on a range of lighting topics

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Meeting topics / themes

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- Updates on international lighting standards and collaboration
- How we can achieve regional harmonisation of lighting MEPS and monitoring, verification and performance activities?
- Best Practices for Enforcing Efficient Lighting Policies
Upcoming capacity building opportunities
- Financing the Transition to Efficient Lighting
- Upcoming en.lighten capacity building opportunities

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