

2020 Annual Report





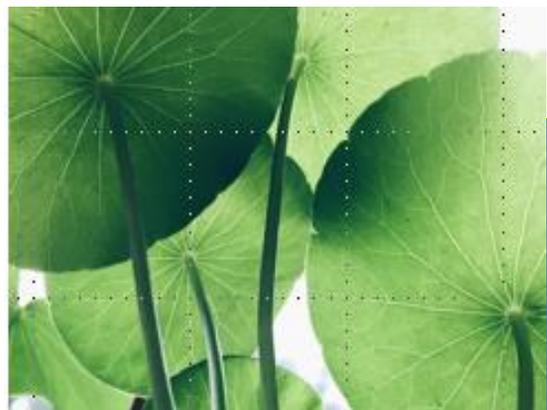
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Promotes green purchasing around the globe by coordinating those who take the initiative in implementing green purchasing towards sustainable consumption and production

The [International Green Purchasing Network \(IGPN\)](#) is a global multi-stakeholder partnership for green purchasing founded with its mission:(a) Promote globally the development of environmentally friendly products and services and Green Purchasing activities;(b) Share information and know-how on Green Purchasing and environmentally friendly products and services internationally;(c) Harmonize the efforts of Green Purchasing and the development of environmentally friendly products and services from a global viewpoint.

Green Purchasing was recognized in Agenda 21, adopted at the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED Earth Summit), as an effective approach not only to minimize of environmental impacts but also shift toward Sustainable Consumption and Production.

the International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN) was established in 2005 to promote Green Purchasing around the globe with all stakeholders, such as international organizations, businesses, governmental organizations, local authorities and NGOs, who take the initiative in implementing Green Purchasing.

The International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN) keeps its activities with the structure of Council Members, the Secretariat, Advisory Board, Green Purchasing Networks and Associated members on the basis of [the By-Laws](#).

The International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN) has grown as a community of Green Purchasing Networks from **Japan, Korea, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippines, India, Vietnam, China Hong Kong, China Taipei,** and **China**; supporters from **Global Environmental Labeling Network (GEN)** and **International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)** as associate members, with its advisory board consists mainly of experts from international organizations, including UNEP, TCO Development, Thai Sustainable Consumption and Production Network and US EPA.

The International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN) is a member of the [UNEP One Planet Network Sustainable Public Procurement Program](#), support UN SDG 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

Institutional Improvement

2020, the IGPN By-laws was released to be in trail practice for one year from this July. With the aim to improve and strengthen the IGPN operation, promote international green purchasing development. The recommendations expected to be collected based on actual application results and revised at appropriate time in due time.

Restart Member Applications

The new IGPN membership application Launched from this September. TCO Development vowed the IGPN value and accepted to be as the new IGPN Advisory Broad member.

Initiative on Knowledge Sharing

the initiative of call for submissions of good practices for environmentally friendly products/services launched from September 2020 to March 2021. Cases from the GPNs of Korea, Malaysia, Thailand, the Philippines, India, Hong Kong, China were collected and analyzed, the report expected to be finalized by next March.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2020

Expand Partnership with GLCN

The IGPN was partnering with the Global Lead City Network (GLCN) on sustainable procurement from August.

The GLCN coordinated by ICLEI, with its group of 15 cities committed to drive a transition to sustainable consumption and production by implementing sustainable and innovation procurement.

Webinar of Ecolabelling in B2B – the Greening of Public Procurement

The webinar of “Ecolabelling in B2B – the Greening of Public Procurement” held on December 3rd, 2020. The webinar was hosted by Global Ecolabelling Network (GEN), supported by International Green Purchasing Network (IGPN), which gave an in-depth look at international green procurement and how ecolabels are integrated into the implementation of sustainable purchasing programs..

IGPN Communications

- **1** proposal of Implementation for the Training and Certification of Green Procurers provided by the Green Purchasing Network Malaysia;
- **1** the Questionnaire on GPP participated;
- **35** News and events updates;
- IGPN Newsletters [Edition 3](#), [Edition 4](#) and [Edition 5](#)

GOVERNANCE AND MEMBERS

Council Members

Council member GPN Japan former chairman prof. Masahiko Hirao retired, Prof. Yasushi UMEDA works as the present chairman from this April..

Prof. Peter Nohrstedt withdraw from the Council member due to SKL working area.

Prof. Duk-seung Lee change to Prof. In-soo Jeon of KGPN representative of Council member.

2020 Council Members

Yanping CHEN, CHAIR

China Environmental United
Certification Center

Scot Case

Responsible Sourcing
Solutions

Yasushi UMEDA

Green Purchasing Network
(GPN)

Prasad Modak

Ekonnnect Knowledge
Foundation

Hideki Nakahara, Honorary Chair

Tokyo City University

Mark Hidson, Vice CHAIR

ICLEI's Global Sustainable
Procurement Centre

In soo Jeon

Korean Green Purchasing
Network (KGPN)

Augustine Koh

Green Purchasing Network
Malaysia (GPNM)

Ryoichi Yamamoto, Honorary Consultant

University of Tokyo

Advisory Broad Members

UNEP

Environment Agency of England and Wales

China Environmental United Certification
Centre

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Ministry for the Environment New Zealand

Ministry of the Environment Government of
Japan

Japan Environmental Association

Environmental Bureau, City of Sendai

Nippon Keidanren (Japan Business Federation)

Japan Environment Association

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)

Thai Sustainable Consumption and Production
Network

Environment Development Foundation

TCO Development

The Secretariat

[China Environmental United Certification Center](#)



GOVERNANCE AND MEMBERS

GPN Members

Country /Region	GPN Name	Hosting Organization	Logo
Japan	Green Purchasing Network (GPN)	Green Purchasing Network (GPN)	
Korea	Korea Green Purchasing Network (KGPN)	Korea Green Purchasing Network (KGPN)	
China	China Green Purchasing Network (CGPN)	China Environmental Certification Center (CEC)	
Hong Kong	Green Purchasing Charter	Green Council Hong Kong	
Chinese Taipei	Green Purchasing Alliance	Environment and Development Foundation (EDF)	
The Philippines	Green Purchasing Alliance Movement (GPM)	Philippine Center for Environmental Protection and Sustainable Development, Inc. (PCEPSDI)	
Thailand	Thailand Green Purchasing Network (TGPN)	Thailand Environment Institute (TEI)	
Malaysia	Green Purchasing Network Malaysia (GPNM)	Green Purchasing Network Malaysia (GPNM)	
Vietnam	Vietnam Green Purchasing Network (VNGPN)	Vietnam National Productivity Institute (VNPI)	GPN Vietnam
India	Green Purchasing Network India (GPNi)	Ekconnect Knowledge Foundation	
Singapore	GPN Singapore	Singapore Environment Council	

Associated Members

Green Ecollabelling Network

USA

Internaational Institute for Sustainable Development

Canada

SUPPORTING THE NETWORK



You can help expand green purchasing in the following ways:

- Purchasing green products and services
- Share your initiatives and best practices on the IGPN website
- Exchange your activities undertaking on green purchasing inspiring others
- Developing proposals for green purchasing and environmental products/services
- Collaborate activities or joint event on green purchasing
- Join the [International Green Purchasing Network](#)



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