



# Series Events Celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of China–ASEAN Dialogue Relations: China–ASEAN Climate Envoys—Youth Leadership Program

## Background:

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On November 3, 2019, Premier Li Keqiang of the State Council attended and addressed the 22<sup>nd</sup> China-ASEAN Summit in Bangkok, Thailand. In his speech, Premier Li proposed to “build a China-ASEAN partnership on blue economy, strengthen practical cooperation with ASEAN on marine ecosystem preservation, ocean industry and marine technology innovation, with a view to enhancing the stability of the ocean economy. The Marine Plastic Reduction Initiative for the China-ASEAN Partnership for Eco-friendly Urban Development will be taken forward and the China-ASEAN Collaborative Action on Climate Change and Air Quality Improvement launched”.

Young people will play a key part in driving the efforts to address climate change and promote sustainable development of human society.

## Targets and significance:

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This project aims at:

- Enhancing exchanges and cooperation between Chinese and ASEAN young people on climate change, exploring new models of regional environmental cooperation and improving young leaders’ awareness of sustainable development;
- Helping young leaders tap their potential, discussing severe problems facing China and ASEAN countries in environment and climate change, improving and arousing the leadership and innovation capacity of young leaders, and boosting cooperation, dialogues and exchanges in the region.



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## Main content:



**1. Holding China-ASEAN Climate Envoys: Youth Leadership Roundtable.** Young officials, scholars and entrepreneurs from China and ASEAN countries will be invited to innovative dialogues and exchanges, where they can share successful cases on climate change on both sides, explore regional low-carbon, sustainable development paths and future development models, and produce a collection of relevant technological innovation schemes, with the purpose of improving participants' leadership for comprehensive development, expertise and sense of social responsibility, promoting practical China-ASEAN youth exchanges and increasing mutual trust by dispelling misunderstandings.

**2. Organizing youth training camps for China-ASEAN Climate Envoys to, for example, enhance the awareness of low-carbon development and build capacity.** Climate change experts will be invited to, through training courses on climate change leadership, hold seminars on different climate change targets, put forward specific solutions and strengthen the combination of theories and practices. They will discuss the international experience of China and ASEAN countries in sustainable development, development potential and opportunities by organizing a variety of activities.

**3. Conducting surveys on actions taken by young volunteers from China and ASEAN countries against climate change and developing good practices.** Participants will be organized to pay visits to governmental agencies and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in China and ASEAN countries, conduct field surveys in typical sustainable enterprises, learn environmental policies addressing climate change, enterprises' environmental innovations and successful sustainable business models, and accumulate research and management experience. In the light of local particular climate change challenges, they will design innovative solutions to low-carbon cities and other climate change targets, and put them into practice. These activities can help cultivate young talents for the future who can have a global vision and also a down-to-earth attitude, all while encouraging participants to understand and respect each other.

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