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# Global Climate Regime & GG

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## 2 ideas for Regime

- Top-Down Binding Commitments: clear delivery, difficult to agree
- Bottom-Up Voluntary Pledge & Review: easy to agree, unclear delivery
- Copenhagen Accord: P & R
  - Provide Uniform basis for action: A-1 & NA-1
  - Down-grading of A-1 commitment
  - Clear Gap: pledge → Global Goal
  - Lack Universal Participation: “Noted”

# Core of the Clash

- Historical ↔ Future Responsibility
- Two Track (Annex 1:Non-Annex 1) ↔ Single Track (Uniform both for A-1,NA-1)
- A-1: legally binding **Commitment**  
NA-1: Nat. Appropriate Mitigation **Action**
- Legally Binding Commitment  
both for A-1 & NA-1

# Finger Pointing

- A-1: Strong Argument for NA-1 obligation but not clear about its own Commitment, no clear idea for NA-1 Formula
- NA-1: Clear Idea for A-1 Commitment but not clear about its own Formula
- Mitigation: Damage on Economy
  - Game of Fear
  - Burden Sharing

# Case of Korea

- Pressure to Join Annex-1
  - to accept Developed Country Status
- Refuse to Join Annex-1,  
But set own voluntary target comparable to its capabilities(-30% BAU 2020)
- Annex-1: not just Mitigation Action,  
but also historical responsibility

# Korean Proposal: Registry

- Voluntary Target + Domestically Binding Implementation + International Verification (MRV)
- Middle Ground between A-1 and NA-1
- Formula for Emerging Economies
- China, India: already implementing domestically binding Targets

# New Features

- Domestic Binding  $\leftrightarrow$  Int'l Binding  
No Int'l Sanction  $\leftrightarrow$  Int'l Sanction
- Domestic MRV  $\leftrightarrow$  Int'l MRV
- Korea: willing to accept Int'l MRV  
as a matter of **Transparency** not  
**Sovereignty**,



# Possible Mitigation Regime

- A-1: Int'lly Legally Binding Commitment  
with Int'l Sanction
- NA-1: Domestically Binding Mitigation  
Actions with Int'l Verification  
without Int'l Sanction

# Branch ↔ Root Approach

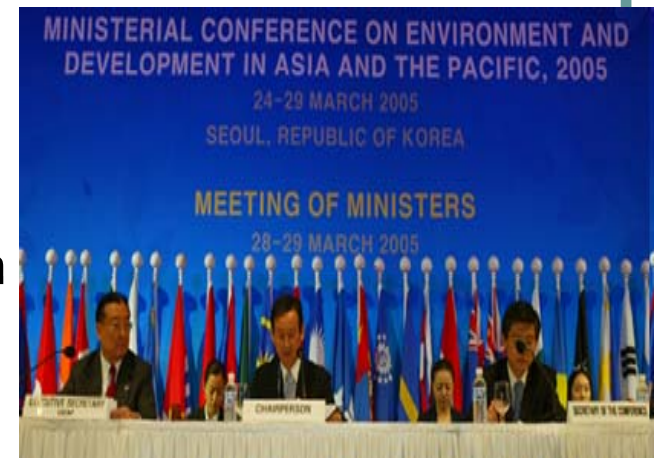
- Mitigation : Just Trimming the Branch  
leaving root cause of CC
- Low Carbon Green Growth:  
Paradigm Shift to address  
the Root Cause of Climate Change,  
**Fossil Fuel Dependence**

## 4 Tracks of UN ESCAP GG

- Internalize Ecological Price into Market Price: Reform Price Structure
- Build Low carbon Green Infra: Transport, Energy, Building; Rail, Re-newables
- Promote Green Business/Technology
- Pursue Sustainable Lifestyle and Quality of Life: Quality  
not Quantity of Growth

# ESCAP adopted GG as Asia-Pacific Strategy

- at the 5th Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development (**MCED 5, March 2005, Seoul**)
- 2006 **China** announced 6 measures for Green Growth/ promoting Green Economy
- 2007 **Kazakhstan** integrated Green Growth into National Sustainable Development Strategy
- 2009 **Cambodia** developed Green Growth Roadmap



# Case of Korea

- Low Carbon GG: National Strategy declared by President Lee, Aug. 2008
- 5 year Program: investing 2% GDP/year
- Basic Law & Decree: April 2010
- Launching GGGI: 16 June 2010
  - [Global Green Growth Institute](#) as leading think tank for Global Paradigm Shift

# Case for ASEAN

- Cannot continue quantity GDP paradigm
- Need Quality of Growth/Life/Ecology
- Restructure Development Strategy
- Timely and Capable to grasp new Parad
- ASEAN+3, EAS can be the driver

# Ultimate Solution for CC:GG

- Mitigation: Natural Consequence of Low Carbon Green Growth Paradigm Shift
- Mitigation has to be presented  
not as Burden but as Opportunity
- Move from “Game of Fear” to  
“Game of Hope”
- Shift **Paradigm** rather than [**Brackets**]
- ESCAP: AP leader of GG Paradigm Shift

Thank You for Your Attention !

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