

Cooperation toward Sustainable Growth through promotion of renewable energy and energy efficiency

We, the leaders of Japan, the People's Republic of China, and the Republic of Korea, share the view that it is necessary to promote sustainable growth through the introduction of renewable energy and the enhancement of energy efficiency, while addressing the issues of climate change and constraints on natural resources. We are determined to achieve sustainable growth as a driving force for the global growth with the aim of reconciling environment protection with economic development, reaffirming the objectives and principles of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, in particular the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities.

We also share the view that the three countries will cooperate to contribute to the successful outcome of the 17th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Durban, South Africa

We recognize that steady promotion of cooperation in this field is in the interest of the three countries as well as the international community as a whole.

In order to achieve sustainable growth more effectively and comprehensively, we confirm the importance of establishing a framework to appropriately evaluate effectiveness and efficiency of cooperation through the diffusion of low carbon technologies and products as well as through other efforts. From the medium- and long-term perspective, we deem it appropriate that the three countries should commence research or consultation in the area of sustainable growth including renewable energy and energy efficiency.

We express our will to strengthen policy dialogues at every level. In particular, we confirm that the three countries will closely exchange views to explore cooperation to share expertise and information in this field. We are committed to cooperation to promote policies and programs that advance renewable energy technology and energy efficiency globally, through existing international frameworks, such as Clean Energy Ministerial, APEC and IPEEC. We confirmed that the three countries will hold the Green Technology Forum in Japan in terms of science and technology cooperation. The forum aims to share the basic research achievements and to build close network among policy makers and scientists.

We welcome the establishment of the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) in the Republic of Korea in June 2010 and global level support to its activities. We also hope that GGGI will be one of the appropriate platforms to explore and promote cooperation among the three countries toward achieving sustainable growth.

We confirm that we will promote people-to-people exchanges among young policymakers to deepen mutual understanding on our respective policies and positions.