



## Collaborating Event: Circular Economy in the Sultanate of Oman and Japan

*Oman Vision 2040* sets out the future direction that guides the country to a sustainable society. It also encourages collaboration among different sectors from governments to private sector. Among others, waste treatment is identified as one of the most challenging issues in Oman and where Japan is able to share its technical knowledge and practical experiences in association with circular economy.

As an outstanding milestone of cooperation between Oman and Japan, six officials are visiting to Japan for several weeks to learn waste management and circular economy practices undertaken in Japan. Celebrating the collaboration, this event is co-organized by the Embassy of Oman in Japan, the Ministry of the Environment, Japan and EX Research Institute for better mutual understanding between two countries and for networking among people concerned. Representatives from different sectors in Japan present their catalytic roles for circular economy and discuss collaboration across sectors.

Thus, through this event, it is expected to learn:

- 1) roles and activities of different sectors
- 2) challenges and way forward in realizing clean cities and circular economy
- 3) importance of collaboration beyond sectors and borders

### Organization

Date: November 1, 2024 [15:30 – 17:00]

Venue: Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman in Tokyo

Co-organized by:

Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman in Tokyo

Ministry of the Environment, Japan

EX Research Institute (EXRI)

Language: English only [no interpretation]

Participants: Public and private sectors that are engaged in sound waste management and circular economy

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## Program

15:30 – 15:35	<b>Opening remarks</b> His Excellency Dr. Mohamed Said Khalifa AL BUSAIDI Ambassador of the Sultanate of Oman to Japan
15:35 – 15:40	<b>Congratulatory remarks</b> SUMIKURA Ichiro, Deputy Director-General Environmental Regeneration and Material Cycles Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan
15:40 – 15:50	<b>Report of the study visit and presentation of a certificate for officials from the Environmental Agency of the Sultanate of Oman</b> EX Research Institute
15:50 – 16:00	<b>Waste Management: issues and opportunities in Oman</b> Environment Authority of the Sultanate of Oman
16:00 – 16:40	<b>Panel discussion</b> <b>“Multi-sectoral engagement in circular economy”</b> facilitated by EX Research Institute Each panel will be allocated 5 min to briefly present its activities and roles for sound waste management. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Environment Authority of the Sultanate of Oman</li><li>➤ Clean Authority of TOKYO</li><li>➤ Japan Waste Research Foundation</li><li>➤ Institute for Global Environmental Strategies</li></ul> Guiding questions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What is the biggest barrier/obstacle for realizing sound waste management and circular economy?</li><li>2. What kind of assistance do you expect from national governments?</li><li>3. How do you take up advanced technologies and knowledge that private sectors offer into your operation?</li><li>4. In what way you could collaborate beyond sectors?</li></ol>
16:40 – 16:45	<b>Closing</b> His Excellency Dr. Mohamed Said Khalifa AL BUSAIDI Ambassador of the Sultanate of Oman to Japan
16:45 – 17:00	<b>Networking</b>