

P R E F A C E



The Asian-Pacific City Summit, held biennially since 1994, has invited city leaders from the Asian Pacific region in an attempt to bring forth their mutual cooperation in solving urban problems, as well as to design a network to further promote development in their respective cities.

The Working Level Conference, as a means of supplementing the spirit of the Summit, has been held in the year following each Summit, making this the second such conference to be hosted. The first, held in 1995, took up the transportation issue, one of the sub session themes of the Summit presented the year before, where problems each city faced in administrative management of transportation were discussed.

This year, we took up the environmental issue which has been discussed in the previous two Summits, and focused our theme specifically on the important topic of "Waste Treatment and Disposal", a common dilemma all of our cities face. In addition to presentations and discussion from around the region, technical training was afforded to participating administrators as a means of providing them with knowledge on landfill technology the City of Fukuoka has amassed. A rich exchange of dialogue was achieved through this comprehensive program of activities.

We will continue our efforts, through our active discussions and diversified exchange of dialogue, to promote the "Asian-Pacific City Summit" so it may become a significant conference to contribute to the ever increasing development of the Asia Pacific region.

Last but not least, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to Professors Masataka Hanashima and Yasushi Matsufuji of Fukuoka University for their generous cooperation, to the cities of Shanghai, Pusan, Jakarta and Auckland for presenting their urban cases in the conference, and to the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat), the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Japan International Cooperation Agency and the Japan Waste Research Foundation, for providing us with valuable information.

Keiichi Kuwahara

Mayor, City of Fukuoka

Meeting with the Mayor
of Fukuoka City



Mr. Ian Maxwell (Group Manager, City Marketing of Auckland)
and Mr. Keiichi Kuwahara

Conference



Prof. Masataka Hanashima (Keynote Speech)



Mr. Toshio Kinoshita (Director, JICA)



Mr. Yoshinobu Yonekawa
(Programme Coordinator, United Nations)



Mr. Tetsushi Sato
(Director, Japan Waste Research Foundation)

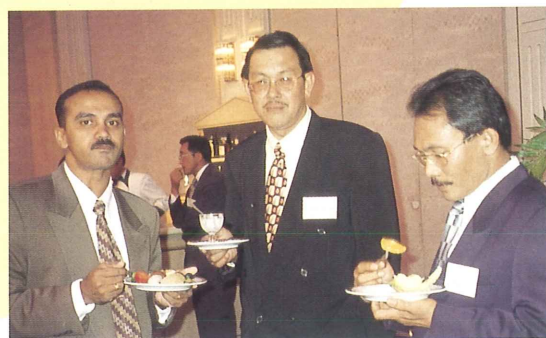
Welcome
Dinner Reception



Mr. Kazuhiro Tomoike, Greeting by the Deputy Mayor of Fukuoka



Mr. Tang Minggao, Vice Director of Guanzhou
Greeting representing participating cities



Exchange between participants

Field Work



Prof. Yasushi Matsufuji (Lecturer)



Lecture in the training room, Refresh Farm



At the Imazu Landfill



At the Waste Water Treatment Center

Administrative Tour



At the Tobu Clean Park



At the Fukuoka Dome



Commemorative Photograph of Participants