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### East Asian Ecological Construction Strategies for 2011-2020 (II)

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On the morning of May 27th, the second seminar of the sub-forum “East Asian Ecological Construction Strategies for 2011-2020” of Shanghai Forum 2012 was held in Room 1901 of West Main Building of Guanghua Building in Fudan University. The theme of this seminar is “Green Urbanization and Sustainable Development of East Asia”.

The chair of the first half of seminar is Professor Lim Hua Sing of Waseda University, and the commentator is Professor Huang Chihlien, president of Asia-Pacific 21<sup>st</sup> Century Institute of Hong Kong. Professor Li Siming of Hong Kong Baptist University is the first to speak. He firstly pointed out that the first decade the 21st century witnessed fundamental changes in the way urban housing in China was developed and distributed. Using survey data collected in Guangzhou in 2010, he discussed the changes in the pattern and nature of housing inequalities in major Chinese cities and assessed the extent to which increase in housing inequalities implicates social harmony and sustainable urban growth. Professor Sheng Banghe of Shanghai University of Finance and Economics stated that ancient regulation means went out of effect when marketing civilization substituted land civilization. The only way out is the conversion from old “population-land” link to “population-market” link, which can maintain ecological balance. Zheng Fenming, researcher of Academy of Social Science of Guangzhou Province, comprehensively analyzed status quo, characteristics and problems of development of Metropolitan Area of Pearl River Delta, thinking that Pearl River Delta should remove multiple limitations, cooperate with Hong Kong and Macao, and strive to become the most powerful world-class metropolitan area in 10-20 years. Then he presented a detailed discussion on the

development objective and strategy. Following this topic, Associate Professor Chen Dening of Guangdong University of Business Studies concentrated on resource and environmental issues of Pearl River Delta, analyzed internal mechanism of its low-carbon bay area development and proposed for suggestions on low-carbon bay area development in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao.

After the tea break, the seminar continues. The chair of the second half is Song Qi, standing deputy editor of *Theory and Modernization*. Professor Zhou Qixing, dean of College of Environmental Science and Engineering of Nankai University is the first to speak. He thought that ecological construction should be integrated with ecological restoration of flower plants, and put forward six suggestions on the key work of ecological construction. Then, Associate Professor Meng Fandong of Central University Of Nationalities introduced the view of Chinese eco-civilization of professor Peng Mulan from three aspects of eco-restriction and the “Great Divergence” of East and West, “Development Orientation” and Chinese eco-civilization, ecological balance and development patterns of China. As far as he concerns, China should try to avoid “Development Orientation” and follow the pattern of “Moderate Development”, in the aim of maintaining the unity of development and nature. Professor Yang Hongyu of Fudan University is the last to speak in the morning. He held that sustainable development should be a part of scientific outlook on development, we should pursue the all-rounded development of people. Rapid industrialization may contradict sustainable development, economy should be slowed down in the aim of developing sustainably. The problem of sustainable development is not only China’s concern but also a global issue.

The last part of the second half is the remark of Professor Chen Jiakuan, from school of life science, Fudan University. He pointed out that in the fields of ecology and environmental protection, the crucial point is the life support system on the earth which is unique and irreparable. Compared with crises of atmosphere, water as well as land, the mass extinction of species is more urgent and harmful. According to some points of Professor Yang Hongyu, Professor Chen held different opinions. In his view,



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sustainable development is the progress of human beings which shows the simple relationship between man and nature, while the scientific outlook on development more involved in politics. With respect to the report of Zheng fenming, Professor Chen indicated that the development target should be oriented definitely to avoid convergence.