

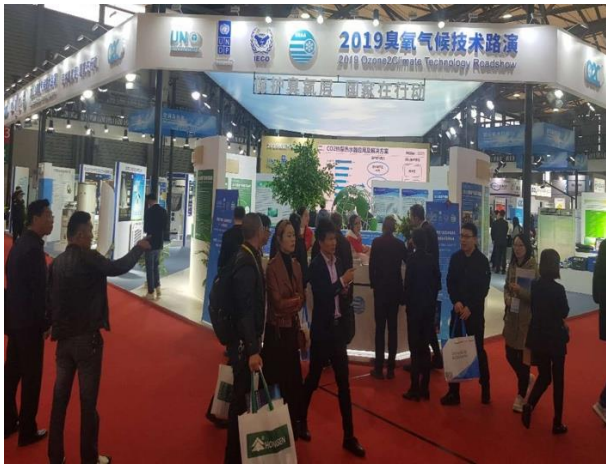


Clean Cooling a top priority for Industry

UN Environment OzonAction organized the 8th China Ozone2Climate Technology Roadshow and Industry Roundtable in Shanghai

9-11 April 2019, Shanghai - UN Environment in partnership with China Refrigeration & Air-Conditioning Association (CRAA), UNDP, and with support from the International Environmental Cooperation Office (IECO) of China organized the 8th China Ozone2Climate (O2C) Technology Roadshow and Industry Roundtable at the 30th CRH Expo 2019 in Shanghai. The CRH Expo is one of the world's largest heating, ventilation, refrigeration and cooling exhibitions and this year it welcomed over 60,000 visitors from more than 100 countries.

During the grand opening of the Expo, the message of Ms. Joyce Msuya, Acting Executive Director, UN Environment Programme, that urged the global industry “*to take decisive action to embrace clean cooling to secure the future of our planet*” was communicated to the leading global technology providers and Chinese industry representatives present. Resonating with this message, Mr. Zhang Zhaohui, Secretary General, CRAA, in his opening statement, announced that “*Creating clean cooling and heating is our top priority and in line with our future strategy; our industry looks forward to collaborate with UN Environment to leapfrog technologies and contribute to making the Kigali Amendment for HFC phase-down a success.*”



The O2C technology roadshow has been organized in China since 2012 to exhibit the latest clean cooling technologies that are energy efficient and use refrigerants that are non-ozone depleting and zero/low global warming. The O2C technology roadshow recognizes only such clean cooling and heating technologies that meet the aforementioned criteria. Out of the total 1175 exhibitors at CRH Expo 2019, the O2C technology roadshow showcased a selected 50 types of air-conditioners, heat-pumps, freezers, cold storages and other cold chain equipment based on ozone and climate friendly refrigerants. The roadshow also showcased the latest tools that enable technicians to undertake good servicing practices and safe handling of such ozone and climate friendly equipment.



The O2C industry roundtable meeting was held on 10 April 2019 and it attracted more than 100 participants, the majority of whom were from the refrigeration and air-conditioning industry. The objective of the roundtable was to provide an interactive forum for the industry, policy makers and research institutes to share the recent policy and technology developments for mainstreaming clean cooling. This year's presentations and discussions at the roundtable focused on the considerations needed in the future for successful implementation of the Kigali Amendment and the latest updates on removal of technological and commercial barriers for faster transition to non-HFC technologies. In addition to the Kigali Amendment, the impact of evolving Energy Efficiency policies was also identified as one of the key drivers for industries to move towards clean cooling. The forum also emphasized the need for integrated policy formulation and coordination to ensure a cohesive interface with a clean cooling transition. For example, the India Cooling Action Plan which envisages to address all initiatives related to cooling sector of India under a single umbrella policy and coordination framework was presented to the audience.

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