



History of RO Korea's Engagement in Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia

1994	Republic of Korea joins PEMSEA
2000	Shihwa Lake is designated as ICM Parallel Site
2001	Shihwa Lake Declaration is endorsed through the LOA between MOF-PEMSEA-Local Governments (Kyunggi, Ansan, Siheung, Hwaseong)
2002	Republic of Korea hosts Ministerial Forum in Busan
2006	Cost Sharing Agreement signed by UNDP – MOF
2007	MOF Official, Dr. Won-Tae Shin, is seconded to PEMSEA as P-4 Senior Staff
2008	MOF – PEMSEA –KMI signs MOA in order to establish the Twinning Program Secretariat Twinning Workshop is held once per year from 2009~2011
2010	Participated in the 3rd PEMSEA Partnership Council Meeting
2011	Hosted the 4th PEMSEA Council Meeting in Busan Korea Marine Environment Management Corporation (KOEM) signs MOU with PEMSEA and joins PEMSEA as a Non-Country Partner
2012	Hosted the 4th EAS Congress in Changwon, RO Korea; Hosted the 4th Ministerial Forum and adopted the Changwon Declaration towards an Ocean-based Blue Economy: Moving Ahead with the Strategy for the Seas of East Asia that endorsed the Regional 5-Year SDS-SEA Implementation Plan; Hosted the EAS marine water quality monitoring project organized by KOEM
2013	Participated in the 12th PEMSEA Expanded Executive Committee Meeting Participated in the 5th PEMSEA Council Meeting Dr. Chul-Hwan Koh elected as Technical Session Chair Participated in the 13th PEMSEA Executive Committee Meeting Hosted the International Education Program on Marine Environment for High Level Officials from the East Asian Region organized by KOEM and PEMSEA
2014	Participated in the 14th PEMSEA Executive Committee Meeting Participated in the 6th PEMSEA Council Meeting Hosted the 2nd Marine Ecosystem evaluation and Marine Spatial Planning International Workshop organized by KMI Participated in the CBD Partners Roundtable on Achieving the Aichi Targets through Integrated Coastal Management Participated in the 15th PEMSEA Executive Committee Meeting

2015 Participated in the PEMSEA Expanded 16th Executive Committee Meeting
Participated in the PEMSEA ICM Capacity Building Workshop
Participated in the 7th PEMSEA Partnership Council Meeting
Participated in the 5th EAS Congress in Danang, Vietnam;
Participated in the 5th Ministerial Forum and adopted the Danang Compact on the Sustainable Development Strategy for the Seas of East Asia 2015;

2016 Participated in the 17th PEMSEA Executive Committee Meeting
Participated in the 8th PEMSEA Partnership Council Meeting
Dr. Jaeryong Oh elected as Technical Session Co-Chair
Implemented the Regional Task Force to develop coastal management in Cambodia organized by KMI and Seoul National University
Participated in the 18th PEMSEA Executive Committee Meeting

2017 Participated in the 19th PEMSEA Expanded Executive Committee Meeting
Participated in the 9th PEMSEA Partnership Council Meeting
MABIK joined PEMSEA as a non-country partner
Hosted the Sea Water Quality Analysis and Monitoring Training program organized by KOEM
Dr. Jae-young Lee joined the PEMSEA PRF as Deputy Head of Planning and Partnership

2018 Participated in the 10th PEMSEA Partnership Council Meeting
Participated in the 6th EAS Congress in Iloilo, Philippines;
Participated in the 6th Ministerial Forum and adopted the Iloilo Declaration: East Asian Region Moving as One to Secure Healthy Oceans, People and Economies.
Participated in the following workshops at the Partnership Hubs

- Establishing Blue Carbon Research Network in East Asian Seas Region sponsored by MOF (KOEM)
- Enhancing Ways to Reducing Impact of Marine Debris in the East Asian Seas Region (KOEM)
- A Critical Review of 25 years of Land Reclamation in East Asia organized (KIOST)
- Ocean Energy: The Future of Blue Economy (KIOST)
- Promoting Biodiversity in the Seas of East Asia (MABIK)

2019 Participated in the 11th PEMSEA Partnership Council Meeting
Dr. Jaeryong Oh elected as Technical Session Chair
Hosted the Sea Water Quality Analysis and Monitoring training organized by KOEM
Hosted the International Symposium on Marine Microplastics
Hosted the Expert Training Workshop on Marine Debris
Hosted the Technical Working Group Meeting on marine pollution focusing on knowledge sharing and capacity development to tackle ocean deoxygenating issue

2020 MOF official, Mr. Won Bae-Kim, seconded to PEMSEA
MOF sponsored EAS Futures Grant (youth photo competition)

2021 MOF and KIOST co-organized a regional awareness raising seminar on biofouling management in collaboration with IMO and PEMSEA
MOF sponsored EAS Futures Grant (youth photo and video competition)
Incheon Port Authority (IPA) entered into an MOA with PEMSEA Resource Facility (PRF) to develop a report on GHG emission reduction in the maritime transport sector in the EAS region
RoK participated in EAS Congress 2021
RoK, through MOF, signed the Preah Sihanouk Ministerial Declaration

2022 ROK participates in the preparation of the 2023-2027 SDS-SEA Implementation Plan
KIOST co-organized the Regional Task Force Meetings to develop the regional strategy on biofouling management in ASEAN with IMO and PEMSEA
IPA entered into a MOA with the PRF to undertake a report on integrated port/ship waste management: policies and practices in the EAS region

