

FACTS AND FIGURES

Common Constraints to Waste Management Programs in the East Asian Seas Region*

Top Ten Constraints

1. Inappropriate technologies/processes
2. Enforcement ineffective/non-existent; illegal dumping
3. Lack of financing
4. Lack of training/human resources
5. Lack of political support
6. Lack of legislation
7. Policy conflicts among levels of government; overlapping responsibilities
8. Rapid increase in waste generation; limited data
9. Lack of awareness among public
10. Limited land area; land tenure issue

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"There is nothing more difficult to plan, more doubtful of success, nor more dangerous to manage than the creation of a new system. For the initiator has the enmity of all who would profit by preservation of the old system and merely lukewarm defenders in those who would gain by the new one."

Machiavelli

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