Meet with the Myanmar CSO delegation!

From November 28th to December 13th

More than 15 organizations represented by the collective “Myanmar Voice on Climate Change”.

International support from the French embassy in Myanmar, the French Institute of Myanmar, the MCCA programme, UNEP, ActionAid, Point Myanmar, Ecodev/Alarm and the SNCF (French Railways).

Strong cooperation with the official delegation notably thanks to common preparatory meeting, information sharing and common conferences in Paris.

Initiation of a long term process aiming at including more the CSOs in the Climate Change strategy and at reinforcing government actions.

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Mobilizing Myanmar society around Climate Change issues in the scope of COP21

Myanmar CSO Delegation

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Myanmar has entered period of economic transition and rapid political evolution.

Its economy is underdeveloped and its population predominantly poor. One consequence of this underdevelopment is the low emission of greenhouse gases (GHGs). Today, the country is one of the smaller emitters, with 300kg of CO2 emitted per person per year, while its neighbours are reaching staggering levels of CO2 emissions: in Vietnam, 1.5 tons of CO2 issued and in Thailand 4.7 tons (person / year).

Paradoxically, Myanmar is more affected by the consequences of climate change than its neighbours.

The contrast is striking and reflects the injustice of climate change impacts as well as the need for a comprehensive and concerted action, both locally and worldwide, in which everyone's voice is heard and respected.

On an initiative of Green Lotus Foundation, Myanmar civil society launched a massive movement in the scope of COP21.

Initiated through the 6th of June Citizen Debate, the « Myanmar Voice on Climate Change » collective progressively manage to mobilize the whole civil society in order to sensibilize Myanmar population, mobilize funding and build a constructive dialogue on climate change with the relevant authorities.

8 Myanmar CSO representatives are forming the delegation to Paris/COP21. They represent the expertise of Myanmar grassroot level in fields such as: biodiversity, forestry, renewable energy, organic farming, green businesses and youth mobilization.

Green Lotus Foundation is a French organisation active on Asia & green issues since 2003.

The objective of the organization is to promote sustainable development and to provide green solutions to the various actors structuring Myanmar society.

In 2012, the opening of an office in Yangon allowed Green Lotus to develop several field projects, following one year of needs analysis and meetings and discussions with key stakeholders.

Recently, Green Lotus just published the bulk of recommendations made during that process of active consulting under the title "Action Plan for Green Growth". These recommandations have been a powerfull tool to suggest key points to the government in term of climate change issues.

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