Third East Asia Low Carbon Growth Partnership Dialogue 31 October 2014, Yokohama, Japan Reception Remarks by Tin Ponlok, Secretary General, National Council for Green Growth Ministry of Environment, Kingdom of Cambodia

- Your Excellency Mr. Minoru Kiochi, State Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan,
- Distinguished Delegates,
- Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Thank you for allowing me to speak on this auspicious occasion. On behalf of the Royal Government of Cambodia, and on behalf of HE Minister Say Samal, allow me to sincerely thank the people of Yokohama for the very warm hospitality. I thank the Government of Japan for organizing this important East Asia Low Carbon Growth Partnership Dialogue for the third year already.

I am sure we all share the same concern: how should we sustain our long-term socio-economic growth while maintaining the quality of the environment and the health of our planet? How can we do this not only for us now, but also for the future generation, in a situation when climate change has become an inseparable factor of our development equation? Of course, there is no simple answer to this. But I am confident this type of dialogue is an important platform for our region to share experiences and knowledge, to exchange ideas, and to discuss issues of common interest to support our respective low carbon growth.

I wish you all an enjoyable reception and a successful dialogue. Thank you.