



Global Environment Centre Foundation

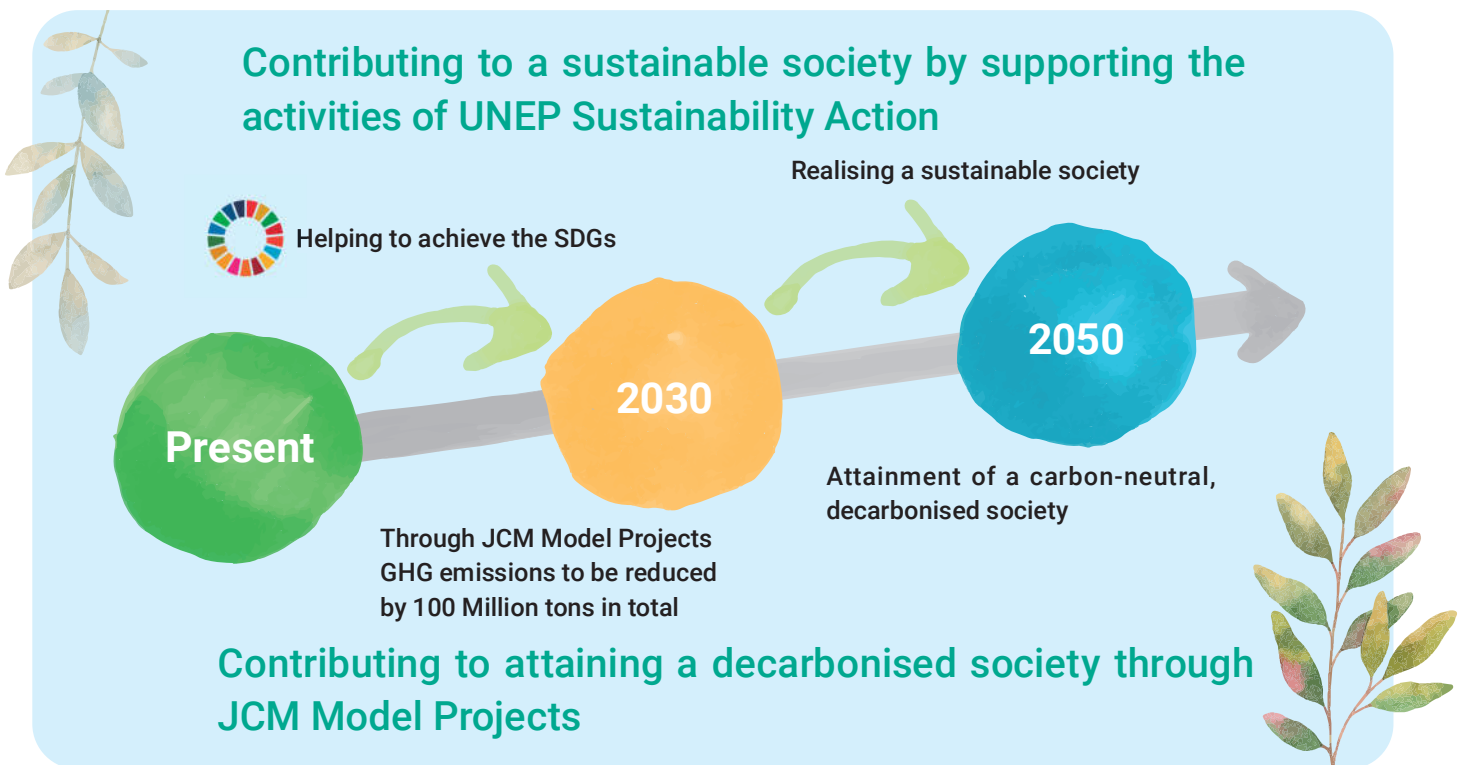


Caring for the Future by Caring for the Earth and People

Aiming for a Sustainable, Decarbonised Society

To contribute to the creation of a sustainable society where future generations can live in security, the Global Environmental Centre Foundation (GEC) is actively engaged in efforts to help achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the UN, and to fulfil the commitment of the Japanese government to realise a carbon-neutral society by 2050. With this aim, GEC has conducted a large number of international cooperative projects including providing technical assistance to developing countries and promoting climate action. Concretely GEC has been supporting the activities of the United Nations Environmental Programme - International Environmental Technology Centre (UNEP-IETC*) and working as the execution agency of the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) on behalf of the Japanese government.

* To address global environment issues, ranging from the recycling of resources to the promotion of sustainability, UNEP has launched "UNEP Sustainability Action", a multi-sector platform to connect the UN, governments, businesses, civil society and other organisations across disciplines, industries and borders. GEC's been involved with this project as a secretariat.



GEC Activities

Support for UNEP-IETC Programmes

Support for JCM Model Projects

Development of players to work on solving
environmental issues



GEC Activity Summary



International Environmental Cooperation

GEC is leveraging its rich experience, expertise and widespread networks both in Japan and overseas to support the project activities of UNEP-IETC. We also organise regional research to identify environmental issues in Asia as well as seminars and business matching events both in Japan and abroad to help companies launch projects and businesses overseas.



In addition to the above, GEC strives for the below activities:

- ▶ Support for IETC's Activities (UNEP Workshop, Outreach, Waste Management project, etc.)
- ▶ UNEP Sustainability Action project
- ▶ Support for the Kansai Asia Environmental and Energy Saving Business Promotion Forum (Team E-Kansai) in rolling out environmental and energy-efficient technologies as a business
- ▶ Support for the water environment business (Shiga Water Environment Business Promotion Forum project)
- ▶ Joint operation of the platform for environmental infrastructure development overseas

UNEP Sustainability Action

<https://www.unep-sustainability-action.org/>



Team E-Kansai

<http://team-e-kansai.jp/en/>



Team Water Shiga

<https://www.pref.shiga.lg.jp/mizukankyobusiness/>



Promotion of Climate Change Mitigation

As an execution agency of JCM Financing Programme for the Ministry of the Environment, Japan, GEC administers the JCM Model Projects to implement climate action projects in partner countries.

GEC also helps registration of carbon credits, formation of projects by JCM Global Match, a business matching website, and PR of JCM through seminars and SNS, supports the demonstration of decarbonising technology through co-innovation with companies overseas, and helps implement pilot project to set up a supply chain of green hydrogen abroad.



In addition, GEC strives to support the diffusion of decarbonising technology through developing and implementing Technical Assistance project of Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN), an operational arm of the UNFCCC Technology Mechanism.



JCM

<https://gec.jp/jcm/>



"JCM Global Match"

JCM Business Matching Platform

<https://gec.force.com/JCMGlobalMatch/s/q>



Support for Capacity Development

Commissioned by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), GEC is also contributing to human resource development by providing training for engineers and administrators from developing countries, to improve their ability to solve or manage local environmental issues. GEC also operates Networking Project among alumni of the Training Courses in the past.



Origin of GEC

In 1990, the International Garden and Greenery Exposition was held in Osaka under the theme of "The Harmonious Coexistence between Nature and Humankind". Building on the spirit of the Expo 1990 and in order to scale the experience in environmental conservation at the global level, the City of Osaka presented a bid to host a specialised organ of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) that would lead the efforts to protect the global environment. The International Environmental Technology Centre (IETC) was thus established in 1992. GEC was launched in the same year to support the activities of UNEP-IETC. GEC has since been striving for conserving the global environment in a wide range of initiatives.



GEC Headquarters in Osaka

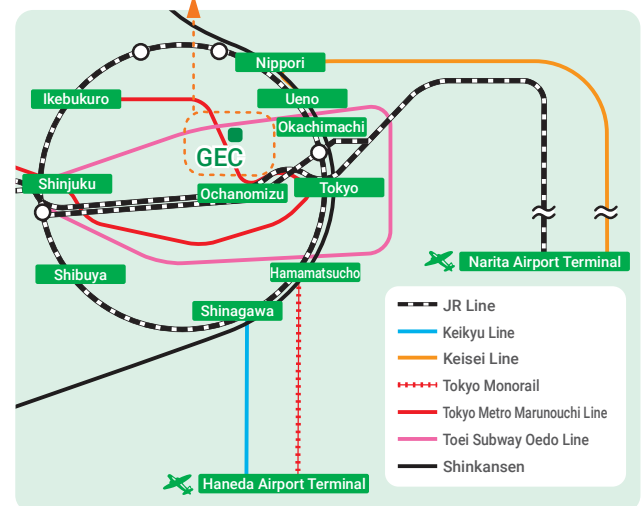
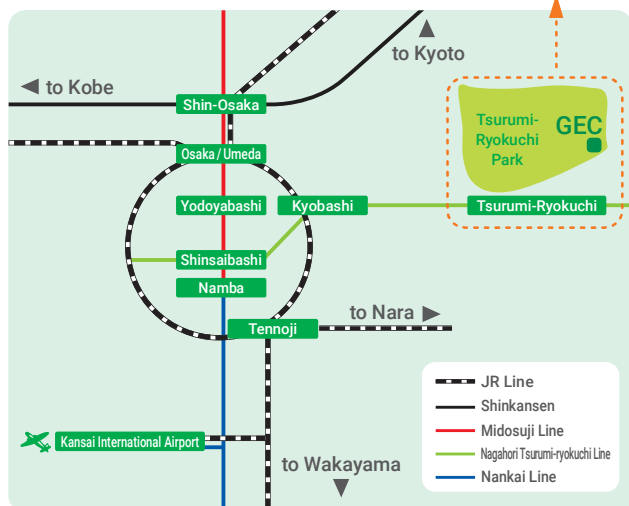
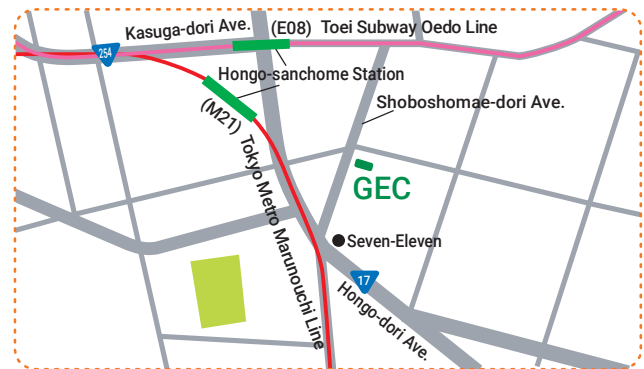


UNEP-IETC works with developing countries to implement sustainable solutions to environmental challenges, with focus on holistic waste management.



UNEP-IETC

<https://www.unep.org/ietc>



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