

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS



We would like to wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

We are happy to see a lot of new members on the portal, we are now more than 200, and we hope to welcome many more during 2012.

We will continue our improvements and work on the Green Jobs-AP portal in 2012 and we would like to encourage you to send your comments, suggestions and thoughts to us to [bkk\\_greenjobs-ap@ilo.org](mailto:bkk_greenjobs-ap@ilo.org).

## ILO STORIES

### [ILO training keeps Fiji green and clean](#)—

April 28th is observed globally as World Day for Safety and Health at Work. Waste collectors in Fiji have reason to celebrate this day, because, thanks to a new ILO programme combining 'green' environmental support measures with occupational safety and health (OSH) practices, they are enjoying better, safer and greener working conditions. By Surfaka Katafono, National Programme Officer, ILO Country Office for Pacific Island Countries. [More](#)

### [Youth join green jobs push in China](#)—

Yang Shumbo, a Chinese electronic sciences student invented a device to save electricity. He developed this into a business under a pilot project of the Greener Business Option (GBO), an ILO Green Jobs Programme initiative. GBO aims to encourage entrepreneurship in green businesses among young people. [More](#)



## SKILLS FOR GREEN JOBS DISCUSSION

The recent discussion on the [Skills and Employability Network](#) on *Skills for Green Jobs* has been concluded and we are very happy with all the contributions. To read the comments go to the [discussion thread](#). To find more information on Skills for Green Jobs, have a look at the [Green Jobs](#) or [Skills and Employability](#) portals and search among all our resources.

## FEATURED NEWS

- ◇ [ILO called for stronger coherence between labour and climate agendas](#) at the 17th Conference of Parties of the UN Convention on Climate Change in Durban in December.
- ◇ [AFP](#) reported in November that Asia-Pacific leaders committed to cutting tariffs on environmental goods to no more than five percent and reducing energy intensity.
- ◇ [Market Watch](#) wrote about a project that brings policy and business together to discuss paths forward to ensure green growth.
- ◇ [IPS](#) has reported that refugees of climate change are rising steadily and that 90 percent of all disaster displacement within countries in 2010 was caused by climate-related disasters.
- ◇ The ILO Green Jobs Team has now released its second [Green Jobs Technical Brief](#)

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## FEATURED RESOURCES



[Towards an ILO approach to climate change adaptation](#). This working paper is the joint effort of the Employment Intensive Investment Programme and the Green Jobs Programme. It explores the implications of climate change, its impacts on the world of work and the need for the work of the ILO to adapt to it. It takes stock of the on-going work and identifies the needs for further development.

[Towards a Greener Economy: The Social Dimensions](#). This report aims to promote a clearer understanding of the nature of the green economy and its implications for labour markets, especially the reallocation of jobs from high- to low-polluting sectors.



Selected resources from Arab Forum for Environment and Development (AFED);

- ◇ [2011 Report by the Arab Forum for Environment and Development](#)
- ◇ [Environmental Housekeeping Handbook](#)
- ◇ [Green Economy: Sustainable Transition in a Changing Arab World](#)

## GREEN JOBS AND THE 15TH APRM

Here are some links to resources and news from the [15th Asia Pacific Regional Meeting](#) that took place in Japan in beginning of December;

- ◇ [Conclusions of the 15th Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting](#)
- ◇ [Report of ILO Director-General](#)
- ◇ [Special session on "Sustaining the Future with Green Jobs"](#)

## GREEN JOBS EVENTS

- ◇ [Greener Business Asia CORE Training Programme for Enterprises](#)
- ◇ [Roll-Out Training for Beginner Ecotour Guides](#)
- ◇ [A WARMer and Greener initiative for decent work](#)

Go to [Green Jobs-AP](#) to find more events and to upload information about YOUR events.