



Call for Participants

10th International Training Workshop on Waste to Energy

“A Decade of Knowledge and Experience sharing for Global Sustainable Development”

November 1st to November 14th, 2026, Hangzhou, China

1. Program Overview:

The 10th International Training Workshop on Waste-to-Energy (WtE) marks a significant milestone, celebrating a decade of capacity building, knowledge and experience sharing, and global collaboration in sustainable waste management.

Building upon the success of the previous nine editions, this flagship program will bring together a new cohort of professionals to explore the fundamental principles, cutting-edge technologies, and practical applications of Waste-to-Energy systems, with a particular focus on China's experience and global relevance.

This intensive training aims to empower participants with technical expertise, policy insights, and actionable tools to tackle the growing challenges of waste management, climate change, and resource recovery.

Since its launch in 2016, the training program has successfully trained **over 230 professionals from more than 40 developing countries**, contributing to the global advancement of sustainable waste management practices.

The **10th edition** signifies not only continuity, but a renewed commitment to driving innovation, accelerating climate action, and strengthening international global partnerships for a greener future.

2. A Decade of Global Knowledge: Past Editions (2016–2025):

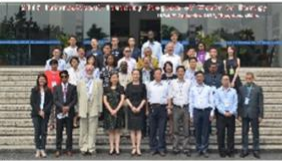
Since its inception in 2016, the International Training Workshop on Waste-to-Energy has grown into a landmark platform for global capacity building, delivering nine successful editions to date. Memories of previous workshops are available to [watch here](#) and [here](#).

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP ON WASTE-TO-ENERGY

Memories

2016 – 2026

“A Decade of Global Knowledge in Waste-to-Energy”

				
2016 The Beginning	2017 Growing Together	2018 Expanding Impact	2019 Stronger Network	2021 Moving Forward
				We look forward to hosting you! 
2022 Going Further	2023 Stronger Than Ever	2024 New Milestones	2025 Shaping the Future	



10
EDITIONS



MORE THAN
40
COUNTRIES



MORE THAN
230
PARTICIPANTS



BUILDING GLOBAL CAPACITY FOR
A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

3. The city of Hangzhou: A Global Leader in Zero-Waste Innovation and host of the training workshop

In January 2026, Hangzhou was selected by the United Nations Secretary-General's Advisory Board on the Zero Waste Economy as one of the world's "20 Cities Towards Zero Waste", in recognition of its sustained, decade-long commitment to building a zero-waste city. Despite serving a population of over 12.6 million and an economy exceeding 2 trillion yuan (approximately USD 285 billion), Hangzhou has achieved a historic turnaround in its waste trends: daily per-capita household waste fell from 1.06 kg in 2021 to 0.99 kg in 2024, industrial solid-waste utilization remains above 98%, and hazardous-waste landfill rates are kept below 3.5%. By the end of 2020, Hangzhou became the **first major Chinese city to achieve zero landfill of household waste**, powered by a citywide smart waste-management platform that monitors thousands of collection points, vehicles, and treatment facilities in real time. Training in Hangzhou gives participants direct exposure to one of the world's most advanced and recognized zero-waste urban systems — a living case study in circular economy practice and digital environmental governance.



A Smart City in Harmony



Where Beauty of West lake Endures



Where WtE Innovation Meets Sustainability

4. What to Expect:

- **Comprehensive Training Program:** Daily sessions (approximately 6 hours) delivered by leading academic experts and industry practitioners from top-ranked universities across China and Europe, alongside senior industry engineers.
- **Integrated Learning Approach:** Covering theory, technology, case studies, and policy frameworks in WtE development.
- **Exclusive Site Visits & Immersions:** Hands-on immersions and field trips to state-of-the-art Waste-to-Energy plants, organic/food-waste treatment facilities, and dedicated research laboratories across the Hangzhou-Shanghai region, giving participants direct exposure to cutting-edge technologies in full operation.
- **Global Networking Platform:** Engage with peers, experts, and institutions from around the world to foster long-term collaboration.
- **Certification:** Participants who successfully complete the program will receive an official certificate issued by the Ministry of Science and Technology of China.

5. Participation Details:

- **Number of Participants:** Maximum **20 selected candidates** exclusively from developing countries
- **Target Audience:**
 - Researchers and academics
 - Government officials and policymakers
 - Engineers and technical experts
 - Industry professionals in waste management, energy, and environmental sectors
- **Eligibility:**
 - (a) Applicants should hold at least a Bachelor's degree and be actively engaged in the field of waste management through their professional work, research, or related activities.
 - (b) Preference will be given to candidates whose current responsibilities or research are directly related to waste management, waste-to-energy, resource recovery, or sustainable waste systems.

6. Financial Support:

- **No tuition fee:** The program is fully tuition-free.
- **Covered by organizers:**
 - Local accommodation (single room)
 - Food
 - Local transportation
 - Insurance during the stay in China

- **Participants are responsible for:**
 - International travel expenses
 - Visa fees and related procedures

7. Host & Organizers:

- **Host:**
Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Science and Technology, China
- **Organizer:**
Zhejiang University, College of Energy Engineering | www.doe.zju.edu.cn
- **Co-organizers:**
Zhejiang University of Technology | www.gjxy.zjut.edu.cn
National Engineering Research Center for Clean Utilization Technology and Equipment of Solid Waste Energy | www.nercwte.zju.edu.cn
Global Waste to Energy Research and Technology Council (WtERT®) | www.wtert.org
International Consultant Committee of Waste to Energy (ICCWtE) | www.iccwte.org

8. Training Location: Yuquan Campus, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou

9. Language: The primary working language of the workshop is English

10. Application Process: Interested applicants are required to complete the following steps:

Step (1): Submit the online application via: https://mostitp.cistc.gov.cn/student_login.aspx, selecting **Training Workshop Selection Number: 26092**.

Step (2): If you are unable to access the online registration platform, please contact the Workshop Secretariat at wtert@zju.edu.cn to request an alternative application form, complete it, and return it to the Secretariat by email.

11. Important Dates:

- Registration Period: from August 16th, 2026 to September 10th, 2026
- Notification of Acceptance: before September 15th, 2026
- Workshop Dates: November 1st, 2026 to 14th November, 2026

12. Important Conditions: Important Participation & Selection Conditions

- Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted via the email provided.
Applicants not selected will not receive individual notification or feedback.
- The organizers may conduct short online interviews (in English) with shortlisted candidates before final selection.
In case of withdrawal, participants must inform the organizers by mail (wtert@zju.edu.cn) before October 15th, 2026
- Full participation is mandatory.
Selected participants are required to attend the entire two-week program.
- The organizers reserve the right to adjust the program, dates, or format if necessary.
All confirmed participants will be informed accordingly

13. Contact & Secretariat:

For inquiries and application support, please contact the workshop secretariat at: wtert@zju.edu.cn