## **UNIDO and BIR to Intensify their Cooperation**

In June this year, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the Bureau of International Recycling (BIR) have signed a joint declaration on their intention to cooperate closely.

They aim to promote inclusive and sustainable industrial development by supporting sustainable recycling practices and industries and better use of resources, the UN organization reported. The joint declaration was signed by Li Yong, Director General of UNIDO, and BIR President Ranjit Singh Baxi in Vienna at UNIDO's International Centre. The two parties agreed to raise awareness of the importance of recycling industries and their potential to create jobs and prosperity while preserving resources. In addition, they will encourage manufacturers to design products which are easier to recycle.

According to the information, the two organizations agreed to work together on specific activities and events, such as seminars, country presentations, global forums, and similar initiatives aimed at supporting inclusive and sustainable industrial development. "In November 2018, UNIDO will organize a meeting of international experts, including members of BIR, to address barriers to the development of recycling industries," a press release of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization said.

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