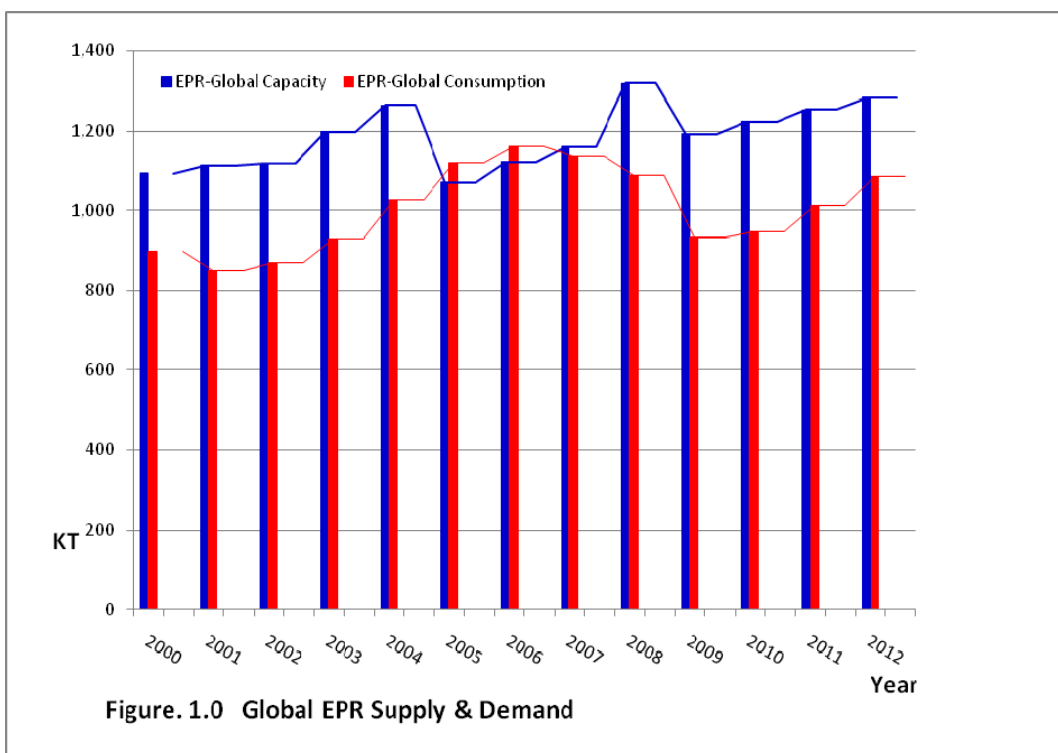


Global & Asia Market Supply & Demand

Global EPR market demand has kept at level of more than 1.1 million tons in the years of 2005 – 2007 and dropped down to below 1.0 million tons after the economic downturn in 2008/2009, whereas EPR supply of the capacity can reach almost 1.2 million tons. It is expected to be recovered at a rate of more than 6.0% after 2010. The EPR's capacity and market demand has been balanced for some years before its gap was widened again, as seen in the **Figure 1.0**.



EPR market demand in Asia has kept the same pace as the growth in China. The joint work of IISRP/IRSG estimates that Asia's demand should reach 270 KT in 2009, in which more than 50% of the demand is contributed by Chinese market. The gap of more than 100KT surplus of Chinese demand in the recent years has partially compensated the EPR overcapacity in the region, as illustrated in **Figure 2.0**.