WORKSHOP ON INNOVATIVE AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND EXTENSION SYSTEM FOR ENHANCING SECTOR PRODUCTIVITY AND COMPETITION IN APEC MEMBER ECONOMIES – (ATC 06/2008A)

DATE AND VENUE: May to June 2008 in Seoul, Korea.

OVERVIEW:

The workshop aims to enhance the efficiency of existing work on ATT&T within APEC member economies. Its goal is to enable each economy to craft a suitable and innovative agricultural technology transfer and extension system, which can provide prompt and non-stopped mutual communication between rural areas and policy-makers by advanced IT Web Service System. The key objectives are:

- To provide an opportunity to exchange, share, and integrate knowledge targeted at technology transfer and extension system innovations;
- To compare and assess the new innovated systems such as Korea's IT Web Service System for policy-making of agricultural technology transfer and extension, with the end view of delineating the future direction to enhance sector productivity;
- To develop concrete actions aimed at addressing and resolving specific constraints, weaknesses, and gaps for more efficient and cost effective agricultural technology transfer and extension management system.

The workshop will be approximately 4 days e.g., 3 day workshop and a field trip.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Government policy makers involved in agricultural technology transfer and extension services.

Personnel in non-government organizations, academia, research and development institutions involved in agricultural technology transfer and extension services.

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