

## ANNEX 1

### SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation 2012 Work Plan

#### 1. Proposed Work for 2012 in Response to Leaders'/ Ministers'/SOM Decisions and SCE Priorities.

- Provide policy recommendations that are related to ECOTECH groups, to SOM;
- Coordinate and supervise all ECOTECH-related Working Groups and SOM Special Taskforces, as well as initiatives such as the Travel Facilitation Initiative;
- Provide strategic policy guidance on the ECOTECH agenda in the development of foras' strategic planning document;
- Stocktake capacity building needs to deepen regional economic integration and to facilitate the realization of the Bogor Goals;
- Conduct Independent Assessments of APEC fora in accordance with the approved schedule and monitor the implementation of previous reviews' recommendations by relevant fora;
- Subject to the new ranking procedure, approve and rank all ECOTECH-related project proposals ahead of presentation to the Budget Management Committee (BMC);
- Prepare annual SCE Fora Report and SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers.

#### 2. Proposed an Activity in Response to Ministers' Call for Greater Engagement with:

- International Organisations other than APEC; and
- Asia-Pacific Business Community

#### 3. Work on cross-cutting issues and its coordination among and across Fora

- Promote joint-meetings and capacity building across APEC fora;
- Identify further cooperation in cross-cutting issues in APEC as identified in the APEC Leaders Declaration and Ministerial Statements;
- Encourage that cross-cutting issues are reflected in the annual work plan of all ECOTECH-related Working Groups and SOM Special Taskforces.

#### 4. Expected Outcomes/Deliverables for 2012

- Development of strategic planning document by fora
- Successful implementation of the Independent Assessments of the fora scheduled for completion this year, specifically
  - Telecommunications and Information Working Group (TELWG)
  - Agricultural Technical Cooperation Working Group (ATCWG) and High Level Policy Dialogue on Agricultural Biotechnology (HLPDAB) – jointly
  - Anti-Corruption and Transparency Working Group (ACT)

- Policy Partnership on Women and the Economy (PPWE)
  - Commencement of new independent assessments for 2013;
  - Development of a working framework on cross-cutting issues in APEC;
  - 2012 SCE Fora Report;
  - Submission of the annual *SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers* in September 2012.