

**APEC Policy Partnership on Food Security (PPFS)**

**Workplan for 2019**

**Final Draft**

**I. Introduction**

1. During 2019, PPFS will continue to work further on the on-going initiatives aimed at strengthening regional food security and contributing to achieving a sustainable APEC Food System by 2020 as laid out in the Piura Ministerial Declaration on Food Security and the Can Tho Statement on Enhancing Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in Response to Climate Change, in line with the APEC Food Security Roadmap Towards 2020.
2. PPFS will work on how to engage the private sector to resume its previous active participation during this and upcoming years, considering that its contribution to ensure the policy and technical cooperation necessary to achieve an integrated food system and Food Security in our region is very valuable.
3. PPFS will also progress on key initiatives, such as the Strategic Framework on Rural-Urban Development to Strengthen Food Security and Quality Growth and the Multi-year Framework on Food Security and Climate Change.
4. Furthermore, building on the Theme and Priorities of APEC Chile 2019 Host Year, PPFS will further explore the role of women as well as digital agriculture and opportunities of associativity to lead our efforts to achieving Food Security.

**Expected Outcomes/ Deliverables for 2019**

**I. Fifth APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security**

5. In Puerto Varas, Chile, 23-24 August 2019. The main deliverable of the year shall be a Ministerial Declaration on APEC Food Security.

**II. Plenary Meetings**

6. **PPFS13 Meeting** during SOM1 in Santiago, Chile, 23-24 February 2019.
7. **PPFS14 Meeting** during FSW2019 in Puerto Varas, Chile, 19-20 August 2019, to prepare for the Fifth APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security.

**III. Other PPFS 2019 Activities or Initiatives of Members**

8. **Workshop on Public-Private Partnership in Agriculture to Share Good Practice on Enabling Rural-Urban Linkages**, May 2019, Bangkok, Thailand (Self-funded project PPFS 03 2018S, led by Thailand).
9. **Workshop on Smart Agriculture Practices using ICT for Sustainable Growth**, June 2019, Seoul, Korea (Self-funded project, PPFS 02 2017S, led by Korea).
10. **Strengthening Rural Areas as a contribution to Food Security in the Asia-Pacific region**, June 2019, Chillán, Chile (APEC-funded project PPFS 05 2018, led by Chile).
11. **Reducing Food Waste by Using Information and Communications Technology (ICT) and Innovative Technologies**, July 2019, Tokyo, Japan (APEC-funded project PPFS 02 2018, led by Japan).
12. **Efficient and sustainable use of water for agriculture under the new climate scenarios as a contribution to food security**, July 2019, Santiago, Chile (APEC-funded project PPFS 04 2018, led by Chile).
13. **Reducing Food Loss & Waste (FLW) for Addressing Interlinked Challenges of Food Security and Climate Change in APEC Member Economies**, July 2019, Taipei, Chinese Taipei (Self-funded Project PPFS 01 2019S, led by Chinese Taipei).

14. **APEC Women in Agriculture and Fisheries (WiAF): Workshop on Sharing Information on best practices and policies on Women participation in agriculture and fisheries to enhance food security and sustainable livelihoods in the APEC region**, August 2019, Puerto Varas, Chile (APEC-funded project PPFS 03 2018, led by Papua New Guinea).
15. **Assessing and stocktaking on Economy-level policies relating to sustainable and climate resilient agriculture, fisheries, and aquaculture - MYAP on Food Security and Climate Change, two-day workshop**, August 2019, Puerto Varas, Chile (APEC-funded project PPFS 01 2018, led by Papua New Guinea).
16. **Seminar on Systems and mechanisms to enhance entry of MSMEs into local, regional and international Markets**, August 2019, Puerto Varas, Chile (self-funded initiative led by Japan) (TBC).
17. **Services and the Food System Project: Final Report** by the APEC Policy Support Unit on Insights on the regulatory environment within APEC economies and its impact on the trade in services in food value chain, August 2019 Puerto Varas, Chile. Submission in July funding round of APEC concept note for research into business insights in barriers to services in the horticulture (fruit and vegetables) sector. (Project led by New Zealand)

#### **IV. PPFS Working Groups Workplans**

18. **Working Group 1: Annex 1 – WG1 Workplan**
19. **Working Group 2: Annex 2 – WG2 Workplan**
20. **Working Group 3: Annex 3 – WG3 Workplan**

#### **V. PPFS Joint Meetings**

21. **Fourth Joint Meeting PPFS-OFWG** during SOM1 in Santiago, Chile, 25 February 2019.
22. **Third Joint Meeting PPFS-HLPDAB-ATCWG-OFWG** during FSW2019 in Puerto Varas, Chile, 22 August 2019, to prepare for the Fifth APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security.

**VI. Related initiatives of other APEC forums**

23. **Promoting Trade of Products that Replace those with Mercury to Reduce Marine Pollution** (APEC funded project OFWG 02 2018A led by Chile).
24. **Update of 2009 APEC Report on Economic Costs of Marine Debris to APEC Economies** (APEC funded project OFWG 01 2018A led by The United States).
25. **Workshop: APEC GIFTS A+: Promoting Gender Inclusion in Smart Agriculture (GIFTS: Gendered Innovation for Technology and Science)** (APEC funded project PPWE 01 2018 led by Chinese Taipei).
26. **Trade Facilitation by Ensuring a Safer Food Supply through Cross-Border E-Commerce** (APEC funded project SCSC 02 2018T led by China).
27. **Understanding Non-Tariff Measures on Agricultural, Forestry and Fisheries Products to Enhance Rural Development and Poverty Alleviation in the Asia Pacific Region** (Concept note endorsed by CTI, project led by Indonesia).