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## Tariffs and Non-Tariff Measures 2014 Collective Action Plan

Objectives	Action	Status 2014
<b>A. Support for the multilateral trading system</b>		
(a) Ensure the expeditious supply of updates to the WTO Integrated database and any APEC databases.	<p><i>Individual:</i> support the WTO by providing tariff and trade data annually in accordance with WTO obligations. Non-WTO members may provide this information as a voluntary measure.</p> <p><i>Collective:</i> seek ways to improve the accessibility of tariff and ROO information including through the APEC WebTR portal.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The APEC Website on Tariff and ROOs (“WebTR”) which is now linked to all individual economy’s web portals on tariff and ROO information is continuously monitored for latest updates and reported at each MAG meetings.</li> <li>• Member economies are continuously updated on the current WebTR.</li> </ul>
(a) Examine measures for making ROOs more business-friendly	<p><i>Collective:</i> Conduct analysis, survey and information sharing in the areas of:</p> <p>a) Harmonization;</p> <p>b) Simplification of documents and procedures; and</p> <p>c) Self-Certification.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous effort by each member economy on self-certification initiatives and sharing of information.</li> </ul>
<b>B. Making Rules of Origin (ROO) More Business Friendly</b>		
(b) Examine measures for making ROOs more business-friendly	<p><i>Collective:</i> Conduct analysis, survey and information sharing in the areas of:</p> <p>d) Harmonization;</p> <p>e) Simplification of documents and procedures</p> <p>f) Self-Certification</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous effort by each member economy on self-certification initiatives.</li> </ul>
<b>C. Trade Facilitation</b>		
(a) Pursue a series of seminars/policy discussions on trade facilitation measures	<p><i>Collective:</i> Share information and experiences for facilitating trade in remanufactured products.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member economies continuously submitting their domestic policies required for the compilation of tariff and non-tariff measures (NTMs) applicable to ‘not newly manufactured goods’.</li> <li>• MAG created a webpage on the available information on the NTMs of remanufacturing.</li> <li>• An Information Living Document on Remanufacturing Resource Handbook has been uploaded on the MAG Webpage.</li> <li>• The APEC Conference on Facilitating Trade in a Secure Trading Environment was conducted with the objective to</li> </ul>

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		<p>create awareness on the emerging trade security issues and the challenges faced to implement trade security regulations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updates on the latest development in NTMs are shared with MAG Members.</li> </ul>
<b>D. Activities with ABAC and/or Other External Stakeholders</b>		
Collaborate and work with ABAC and/or other stakeholders on the MAG agenda	<i>Collective:</i> Enhance collaboration with other relevant fora and business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MAG continuously working closely with ABAC to garner more inputs from the business community.</li> <li>• ABAC provides constant update on latest development within ABAC in relation to MAG.</li> </ul>

### Services 2014 Collective Action Plan

All Sectors other than Energy, Telecommunications, Tourism, and Transportation			
Collective Action	Steps to Implement	Time Frame	Last implemented actions
a. Review and exchange information on all trade and investment in services arrangements within APEC and study common elements.	Services Action Plan (SAP)	On-going	The SAP Matrix of Actions was developed; and a number of initiatives/activities have been undertaken by GOS in line with the Matrix. The Matrix will assist in the identification of priorities and capacity-building needs in relation to individual and collective efforts to boost development of services trade.
	Foster closer cooperation and synergy with other APEC fora/groups	On-going	GOS has engaged in discussion with MAG, IEG and EC on issues of possible common interest. GOS to explore the possibility of future work projects with the involvement of other relevant fora.  GOS contributed to development of elements of the work plan on cross-border higher education cooperation and will be continuously providing updates.
b. Identification of measures affecting trade and investment in all service sectors.	Member economies to volunteer papers and studies in this area and consider cases of “best practices”	On-going	GOS has a project underway that is compiling case studies from the region highlighting examples of regulatory reform aimed at establishing more competitive services markets. This covers the area of telecommunication services.  GOS has a series of symposium, focused on the discussion of facilitating good policy and regulatory practices in some services sectors. The outcome of symposium will be reflected in a compendium report.
	Improve understanding of trade and investment issues with respect to individual services	On-going	GOS has implemented a Workshop on the Challenges on Environmental Services – Challenges and Opportunities for Sustainability and is undertaking a Research Study on Enhancing Provider Mobility in Cross Border Education in the APEC region.

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<b>Collective Action</b>	<b>Steps to Implement</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>	<b>Last implemented actions</b>
			<p>GOS had a discussion on the definition and classification of environmental services which is part of the trade liberalization and facilitation of environmental services, discussed under CTI.</p> <p>GOS is to engage companies to be involved in the study on the role of manufacturing services sectors in value chains/supply chains.</p>
c. Compile information on services trade statistics	To enhance capacity on trade statistics and respond to the challenges of services trade data collection	Ongoing	GOS continues to develop projects to implement the action plan on services trade statistics.
d. To improve understanding of the impact of liberalization of services.	<p>Member economies to present case studies of their experiences on a voluntary basis aiming to generate momentum for services liberalization in light of perceived benefits of such process.</p> <p>Addressing SME Business Constraints through Services</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>Proposal on sharing of the transformation of services sectors undertaken by economies is being considered for implementation in 2015.</p> <p>GOS organized a workshop aimed at improving awareness on the logistics industry including the issue of SME in this sector.</p>
e. Study and carry out work concerning the development and adoption of common professional standards, in conjunction with professional accreditation bodies and needed legislative measures.	APEC Accounting Services Initiative	Completed	This initiative contains an inventory of the requirements for delivering accounting services in each APEC economy. A set of guidelines on the regulation foreign accounting professionals has also been prepared.
f. Enhance transparency in service sectors	APEC Services Trade Access Requirements (STAR) Database	On-going	A database which enables services businesses to identify market access and behind-the-border requirements affecting

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		Ongoing	<p>market entry for trade in services in APEC member economies has been developed. Phase 4 of the database is now being implemented. The focus will be on updating and expanding the coverage of the 8 (eight) services sectors in the database for all APEC economies.</p> <p>GOS continues discussing proposals for self-funded workshops on certain services sector covered in STAR database, and outcomes of those workshops relating to good policy and regulatory practices for facilitating trade and investment in services sectors.</p>
g. Monitor and, where appropriate and possible, contribute to the WTO's work on services.	Monitor WTO work on services	Ongoing	Member economies provided briefings on recent developments in Geneva at the GOS meetings in 2014, including update on the information of the recent discussion in preferential treatment granted to the LDCs.

### Investment 2014 Collective Action Plan

Action	Steps to Implement	Time Frame
<p><b>Transparency</b> <b>Short-Term</b></p> <p>A. Increase the transparency of APEC Investment regimes, especially via enhanced e-transparency</p>	<p>1. Promote accessibility and transparency in the formulation and administration of investment-related policies:</p> <p>a) Update the e-portal to replace the hard copy publication the <i>APEC Investment Guidebook</i></p> <p>b) Conduct “APEC Public-Private Dialogues on Investment” to enhance transparency and involvement of Private Sector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promoting Infrastructure Investment through PPP – 2014 IEG PPD (China)</li> <li>• APEC Public-Private Dialogue on Identifying and Addressing Impediments to Improve a Business-Friendly Infrastructure Investment in the APEC Region (Viet Nam)</li> </ul> <p>2. Establishing software networks on investment regulation and investment opportunities</p> <p>a) Explore ways to improve the state of statistical reporting and data collection</p> <p>b) Establish a single window or special enquiry point for all enquiries concerning investment policies and applications to invest</p> <p>c) Adopt a centralised registry of laws and regulations and make this available electronically.</p> <p>d) Apply new technology to improve information, application and approvals processes</p>	<p>2014 -</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014-2015</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<p><b>Policy Dialogue</b> <b>Short-Term</b></p> <p>B. Promote dialogue with the APEC business community on ways to improve the APEC investment environment</p>	<p>1. Have “ APEC Public-Private Dialogues on Investment” with Business sector including ABAC to enhance Transparency and involvement of Private Sector.</p> <p>See A. 1. b)</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

Action	Steps to Implement	Time Frame
	<p>2. Maintain regular contact with ABAC and other relevant business organizations including:</p> <p>a) discuss at IEG meeting issues of relevance to IEG raised at ABAC's meetings and ABAC's recommendations to Leaders in the previous year</p> <p>b) Consider possible joint projects suggested by IEG or business organizations.</p> <p>3. Request input from ABAC on major APEC investment initiatives including through participation at IEG meetings, ABAC letters to IEG Convenor and other IEG events such as workshops, seminars, or investment symposia</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
C. Continue dialogue with appropriate international organizations dealing with global and regional investment issues	1. Establish a policy dialogue process and collaboration with other international organisations on current and emerging international investment issues, where appropriate.	Ongoing
<p><b>Study and Evaluation</b> <i>Short-Term</i></p> <p>D. Undertake an evaluation of the role of investment liberalization and facilitation in strengthening regional economic integration in the Asia-Pacific region for economic growth and development.</p>	Consider extent to which existing peer review mechanisms assist in meeting APEC's strengthening regional economic integration objectives and options for improvement.	Ongoing
E. Study possible core elements between existing sub-regional arrangements relevant to investment	Review the investment provisions of current sub-regional arrangements including RTAs/FTAs, and identify possible core elements, including the relationships between these provisions.	Ongoing
F. Refine APEC's understanding of free and open investment	<p>In the context of the 2012 progress assessment of the Bogor Goals, assess the recommendations of Leaders as far as investment liberalization and facilitation and as necessary developing a new work program. Take into account Leaders' Declarations since then.</p> <p>Strengthen the use of quantitative indicators for improving understanding of APEC economy investment climates.</p>	<p>2012-</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<p><b>Medium &amp; Long-Term</b></p> <p>G. Assess the merits of developing an APEC-wide discipline on</p>	To be determined in the light of progress with policy dialogue in the medium-term.	Ongoing



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<p>investment in the light of APEC's own progress through the medium-term, as well as developments in other international forums</p> <p>H. Study the advantages and disadvantages of creating investment rules – bilateral, regional, or multilateral – with a view to fostering a more favorable investment environment in the Asia-Pacific region</p>	<p>Where feasible, contribute to SOM studies on ways and means to promote regional economic integration, particularly investment issues as they relate to :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identifying Convergences and Divergences in APEC's RTAs/FTAs; and</li> <li>- Docking or Merging FTAs</li> </ul>	Ongoing
<p><b>Facilitation</b> <b>Short-Term and Continuing</b></p> <p>I. Undertake practical facilitation initiatives by:</p> <p>(i) Implement the Investment Facilitation Action Plan</p> <p>(ii) Progressively working towards reducing impediments to investments</p> <p>(iii) Initiating investment facilitation activities to enhance investment flows within APEC economies</p> <p>(iv) Implement the Non-Binding Investment Principles</p>	<p>Implement its underlying eight principles with broad menu of actions.</p> <p>Review the principles with a revised focus for the next implementation period of 2015 onwards.</p> <p>Report on IFAP progress annually.</p> <p>Implement the principles identified through the IFAP process to promote further investment facilitation according to <i>APEC Strategy for Investment</i>.</p> <p>Implement activities under <i>APEC Strategy for Investment</i>. (See "K. Undertake new activities that contribute to capacity building.")</p> <p>Discuss on the necessity of more regular updates on NBIPs and work for further implementation.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>2014 –</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<p><b>Economic and Technical Cooperation</b> <b>Short-Term</b></p> <p>J. Identify ongoing technical cooperation and capacity building needs in the Asia-Pacific region and organize training programs which will assist APEC economies in fulfilling APEC investment objectives.</p>	<p>1. Share successful experiences of APEC economies in investment liberalization, facilitation and promotion in the APEC region through identifying key success factors including improved policies</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>2013 -</p>

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	2. Enhance planning, development and implementation of policies concerning international investment rules	
<p><b>Capacity Building Initiatives</b></p> <p>K. Undertake new activities that contribute to capacity building.</p>	<p>Identify the elements of capacity building to strengthen the economies of APEC member economies and undertake the following activities categorizing 3 pillars under <i>APEC Strategy for Investment</i>.</p> <p>1. Advanced Principles and Practices N/A</p> <p>2. Facilitation</p> <p>Research on Best Practices in Prompt Consideration of Investors' Complaints in the APEC Region (Russia)</p> <p>Best Practice Case Recommendation and the Conference on the Best Practices of Sustainable Outward Foreign Direct Investment (OFDI) in the APEC Region (China)</p> <p>Corporate Social Responsibility International Instruments for APEC Economies (Chile)</p> <p>Enhancing the Investment Environment in APEC and ASEAN Economies (Australia)</p> <p>3. Promotion</p> <p>Guidebook on PPP Frameworks in the APEC Region (Indonesia)</p>	<p>2013-2014</p> <p>2013-2014</p> <p>2013-2014</p> <p>2013-2015</p> <p>2013 -</p>
<p><b>Menu of Options</b></p> <p>L. Ongoing improvements to the Menu of Options.</p>	<p>Cross-reference between the IAPs and Menu of Options.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

## Standards and Conformance 2014 Collective Action Plan on Trade Facilitation

(Implementation status as of 31 July 2014)

ODA Objectives	ACTIONS	Year of CAP/ Lead economy	Starting year	Target year Developed/ developing	Target outcomes (Quantitative/ Qualitative)	Status (Completed/ in process)	Remarks
<b>1. Alignment (01 action)</b>							
	The SCSC to continue identifying additional priority areas for alignment with international standards.	1997 Japan	From 1997	On-going	To identify additional priority areas for the VAP alignment work.	In process	<p><u>Japan</u> has conducted a survey to identify economies' /industries' needs.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> reported on the revision of VAP result in 2011 and shared the work program for 2013 at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> informed about the further activity on the 5<sup>th</sup> VAP Alignment work in 2013 and the proposal on the new VAP Alignment work in 2014 at SCSC 1/ 2013.</p> <p>SCSC members submitted complete survey format relating to update of the current status of standards adopted and providing additional information on the statement "not applicable" to Japan by 30 April 2013 for the 6<sup>th</sup> VAP.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> summarized the results of VAP work 2013 and briefed on the further activity on the VAP work at SCSC2/2013 Meeting.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> sent voting questionnaire on the 6th Voluntary Action Plan (VAP) Alignment Work to SCSC members.</p> <p>SCSC members submitted interested standards of highly priority and to send comments on the proposed new format to Japan before 30 September 2013.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> reported on the results of the voting questionnaire at SCSC1/2014.</p> <p><u>Japan to report on Survey's results of 6th VAP alignment work for 2014, at SCSC2/2014.</u></p>

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<b>2. Good Regulatory Practice (01 action)</b>							
	<b>The SCSC</b> to continue to investigate means of enhancing regulatory practices in the APEC region through a program of case studies, seminars and organization of SCSC Conference on GRP and SCSC Conference on Solar (PV) Standards and Conformance in conjunction with SCSC Meeting	2000 United States	From 2000	On-going	Means of enhancing regulatory practices recommended for implementation	In process	<p><u>United States</u> presented on the Draft Reference Document "Supporting the TBT Agreement with Good Regulatory Practices". Comments are due October 14, 2011 and should be sent to the Chair and the SCSC Program Director.</p> <p><u>Russian Federation</u> briefed on Russian initiatives submitted during the CTI1 meeting, held 14-15 February in Moscow (Common Application of Best Regulatory Practices in APEC Economies and Action Plan on Annex D to Leaders' Declaration "Strengthening Implementation of Good Regulatory Practices) at SCSC 1 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Russian Federation</u> introduced the two CTI proposals 2012/SOM2/SCSC/006, "Action Plan on Best Practices in APEC economies" and 2012/SOM2/SCSC/007, "Good Regulatory Practices Online Database" for consideration.</p> <p><u>Indonesia</u> reported on preparation for the 7<sup>th</sup> Conference on GRP at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on the status of the self-funded study "GRPs for Conformity Study in APEC Economies" at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Indonesia</u> reported on the results of the 7<sup>th</sup> GRP Conference held in Medan, Indonesia on 26-27 June 2013 (CTI 19/12T at SCSC2/2013.).</p>

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<b>3. Recognition of Conformity Assessment (3 actions)</b>							
	<b>In regulated sector:</b>						
	<b>1) Member economies</b> to consider participation in Food safety cooperation forum and Sectoral food MRA	1997 Australia, China, Thailand	From 1997	On-going	- Review yearly participation and its effectiveness in Food , food recall and Sectoral food MRA - Implementation of the measures to improve the effectiveness participation	In process	<p><u>Australia, on behalf of the co-chair China and Australia,</u> reported on the current, ongoing and proposed activities of the APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum at SCSC2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on outcomes of FSCF Partnership Training Institute Network (PTIN) workshop on Export Certification Workshop held April 24-25 in Greenbelt, Maryland, United States; on upcoming APEC FSCF PTIN Laboratory Capacity Building Sub-Regional Trainings for 2012, and directed the APEC Members attention to 2012/SOM2/SCSC/012 and reported on status of Global Food Safety Partnership at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Philippines</u> reported on the outcomes of Project CTI 22/2011T APEC Scientific Seminar Workshop on Food Safety Risk-Benefit Analysis held on Nov. 22-24, 2012 in Manila at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Australia and China</u> reported on the upcoming activities and tasks of the APEC food Safety Cooperation Forum at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on M CTI 03/12A Multi-year project on Building convergence in food safety standards and regulatory system, and upcoming activities in 2013-2015 at SCSC1/2013.</p>

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							<p><u>United States</u> reported on Update on Laboratory Capacity Building Planning under APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum Partnership Training Institute Network at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on the 1<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of Global Food Safety Partnership which developed out of the MOU between the World Bank and APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Australia</u> further outlined the inaugural Food Safety Incident Network workshop to be held in April 2013 at SCSC1/2013</p> <p><u>Indonesia</u> reported on preparation for the Workshop on Best Practices in Educating Food Safety Standards for SMEs that will be conducted on 10 April 2013 at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>SCSC members</u> provided updates on participation in Food safety cooperation forum and Sectoral food MRA at SCSC2/2013.</p> <p><u>Indonesia</u> reported on the results of the April's workshop at SCSC2/2013.</p>

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	<b>2) Member economies</b> to consider participation, review and improve its effectiveness in the MRA of conformity assessment of Electrical and Electronic Equipment, and encourage the involvement of their regulators.	2000 JRAC Chair	From 2000	On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review yearly participation and its effectiveness in EE MRA</li> <li>- Regulators participation of all member economies in EE MRA</li> </ul>	In process	<p><u>Peru</u> is preparing participate in Part I and Chile is preparing to participate in Part II of EE MRA.</p> <p><u>Peru</u> and <u>Chile</u> informed SCSC about their participation in relevant part of EE MRA.</p> <p><u>Brunei Darussalam</u>, on behalf of JRAC Chair, reported on the outcomes of the 17<sup>th</sup> JRAC meeting held on 17-18 May 2012 in Singapore at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Australia</u> reported on the outcomes of APEC JRAC workshop on “Developing harmonized electrical equipment regulatory risk assessment tool” held on 15-16 May 2012 in Singapore (2012/SOMs/SCSC/014) at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>JRAC Chair (Chile)</u> reported on the status of the JRAC EEMRA at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>JRAC Chair (Chile)</u> reported on the 18<sup>th</sup> JRAC EEMRA meeting held on 14-15 April 2013 in Surabaya, Indonesia at SCSC2/2013.</p> <p><u>JRAC Chair (Indonesia)</u> to report on the 19<sup>th</sup> Joint Regulatory Advisory Committee (JRAC) on Electrical and Electronic Equipment held on 10 August 2014 in Beijing, China at SCSC2/2014.</p>

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	<b>Voluntary sector:</b>						
	<b>3) Member economies</b> to encourage on going participation and expansion in APLAC-MRA, PAC MLAs and CIPM Global MRA.	1998 Indonesia	From 1998	On-going	- Increased number of member economies participating in MRAs and technical activities underpinning their participation	In process	<p><u>Indonesia</u> made a short introduction about SRB activities and requested that Indonesia ends its service as SRB Coordination Chair and asked for a successor to fill this role.</p> <p><i>SCSC members are invited to inform about participation and expansion in APLAC-MRA, PAC MLAs and CIPM Global MRA at SCSC2/2013.</i></p>
<b>4. Technical Infrastructure Development (5 actions)</b>							
Promote cooperation for technical infrastructure development to facilitate	<b>1) Member economies</b> to strengthen participation in Specialist Regional Bodies activities.	1996 Member economies	From 1996	On-going	- Increased number of member economies participating in SRBs - Active participation in SRBs activities strengthened	In process	<p><u>APLAC</u> reported on the ongoing training initiatives of proficiency testing within the APEC region and the interaction with regulators (2012/SOM2/SCSC/018); the 19<sup>th</sup> PAC annual meeting was held in Hong Kong, China on 16-23 June 2012; Japan, on behalf of the PASC Secretariat, informed on the PASC 35 meeting on 4-8 June 2012 in Yeosu, Korea, at SCSC 2 in 2012</p> <p><u>PAC</u>, on behalf of the 2013 SRB Forum Chair, presented a report on the Forum's meeting on 26 January 2013 and associated outcomes at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><i>SCSC members, as the project proposers, to contact the SRBs during the development of proposals to enhance SRBs contributions to SCSC activities.</i></p>



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Broad participation in promote cooperation for technical infrastructure development	<b>2) The SCSC</b> to support and actively participate in APEC/SCSC Conferences on Standards and Conformance.	2006 Host economy	2006	On-going	- SCSC to organize the conference in every 02 years - SCSC support host economies in encouraging all member economies actively to take part in conference and to provide speakers for conference.	In process	The 9th Conference on Standards and Conformance will be held in Kazan in 2012 during SOM2.  <del>Russian Federation</del> informed of the 9th Conference on Standards and Conformance in the field of Innovations and related Good Practices at SCSC1 and reported on the results of the Conference at SCSC 2 in 2012.  <u>SCSC members</u> made comments on the draft recommendations until 30th June, 2012 and <u>Russian Federation</u> to submitted the final report to APEC Secretariat by the end of 30th August 2012.  <u>SCSC members</u> to make comments on the PH Concept Note on the 8th Conference on GRP
To facilitate broad participation in mutual recognition arrangements in both regulated and voluntary sectors	<b>3) Member economies</b> to support and actively participate in APEC Conferences on Good Regulatory Practice.	2006 Host economy	2006	On-going	- SCSC to organize the conference in every 2 years - All member economies actively to take part in conference - Member economies to provide speakers for conference	In process	The 6th GRP Conference was held in Washington, D.C. in conjunction with SOM I on 1 - 2 March 2011.  <u>United States</u> reported the results of the 6th GRP Conference at SCSC 1 in 2011.  The 7th GRP Conference will be held in Medan, Indonesia, 26-27 June 2013.  <u>Indonesia</u> reported on the results of the 7th GRP Conference held in Medan, Indonesia on 26-27 June 2013 at SCSC 2/2013
	<b>4) The SCSC</b> to undertake the following technical infrastructure projects						

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Completed	a) APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum (FSCF) Workshop and APEC FSCF Food Safety Incident Network (FSIN) Seminar (SCSC 01/2012)	2012 Australia, China	August 2012	December 2013	The 4 <sup>th</sup> FSCF Workshop will build upon the successful work already undertaken by the FSCF to develop robust food safety systems in APEC member economies, improving the safety of food within economies and the safety of food traded between APEC economies. Whereas, the APEC FSCF FSIN will assist in facilitating development and implementation of the FSCF-agreed approaches. The achievement of FSCF priorities and recommendations lies on the continuance of its initiatives.	Completed	<p>The 4<sup>th</sup> APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum (FSCF) Workshop; and</p> <p>The APEC FSCF Food Safety Incident Network (FSIN) seminar will be held in the margins of SOM2, 2013</p> <p><u>Australia, on behalf of the co-chair China and Australia</u>, reported on the current, ongoing and proposed activities of the APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum at SCSC2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Australia and China</u> reported on the progress of the Project and upcoming APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum to be held on April 13, 2013 in Indonesia at SCSC 1/2013.</p> <p><u>Australia and China</u> reported on the results of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of APEC FSCF held in Surabaya, Indonesia on 13 April at SCSC2/2013.</p> <p><u>Australia and China</u> reported on the results of the Project at SCSC1/2014.</p>

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	b) Improved Food Inspection Capacity Building based on Risk analysis: Risk-based Food Inspection (SCSC 03/2012T)	2013 Korea	August 2013	December 2013	This project aims to educate APEC economies about functions of risk-based inspection and produce a proposal on reasonable management of food sanitation. In turns, the project will contribute to strengthening food safety management, especially in import and export. To achieve this goal, inspection capacities among member economies will be compared and member economies will be encouraged to select resources more efficiently and enhance inspection capacity.	Completed	<p>A three-day workshop will be launched in August 2013 in Republic of Korea.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> reported on the concept note "Improved Food Inspection Capacity Building based on Risk Analysis: Risk-based Food Inspections" at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> informed on the progress and further activity of the Project at SCSC 2/2013.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> to report on the results of the Project at SCSC2/2014.</p>
	c) Building Convergence in Food Safety Standards and Regulatory Systems (M CTI 03/12A)	2013 United States, China, Australia	December 2012	December 2015	This project supports engagement of regulators, industry, and academic experts at FSCF and PTIN meetings, related workshops and capacity building trainings. Project activities promote alignment in priority areas of strengthening food safety regulatory systems, food incident management, laboratory capacity, risk analysis and supply chain management	In process	<p>In 2013: FSCF meeting during SOM 2 with a workshop on food incident management, a PTIN Steering Group meeting, and a discussion of a potential capacity building activity on risk assessment on the margins of the FSCF meeting;</p> <p>In 2014: During the next year two food safety activities will continue addressing priority areas: <b>Workshop on Improved Food Inspection Capacity Building Based on Risk Analysis</b>, to be held on 21-23 May 2014 in Seoul, Korea.</p> <p>In 2015: During APEC 2015 there will be a meeting of the Food Safety Cooperation Forum, a project by Australia on pesticide maximum residue limits (MRLs) and a PTIN Steering Group meeting.</p>

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							<p><u>United States</u> reported on M CTI 03/12A Multi-year project on Building convergence in food safety standards and regulatory system, and upcoming activities in 2013-2015 at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Indonesia</u> reported on preparation for the Workshop on Best Practices in Educating Food Safety Standards for SMEs that will be conducted on 10 April 2013 at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on the results of the Workshop held in Surabaya, Indonesia on 10 April 2013 and further activity of the Project (M CTI 03/12A) at SCSC 2/2013.</p> <p><u>United States</u> to report on <i>Laboratory Capacity Building activity with test pilots in Chile and China (An element of M CTI 03/12A) at SCSC 2/2014.</i></p> <p><u>Korea</u> to report on <i>APEC FSCF PTIN Workshop (An element of M CTI 03/12A) held on 21-23 May 2014 in Seoul, Korea, at SCSC2/2014.</i></p> <p><u>China</u> to report on <i>Veterinary Drug Multi-residues in Chicken Proficiency Testing Program (An element of M CTI 03/12A) at SCSC 2/2014.</i></p>

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Completed	d) Creation of APEC Guideline on Standards Infrastructure Establishment (CTI 15/12A)	2012 Korea	July 2012	May 2013	The primary goal of this proposal is to create APEC guideline on standards infrastructure establishment to promote greater alignment in the proposed field among the economies. In this proposal, the term of "infrastructure" is defined as systems, facilities, environments, information, and human resources to support/facilitate standardization activities such as standards proposal, adoption, utilization, etc	Completed	<p>In this one year project, we propose to hold total two workshops in line with SCSC meetings in 2013. At the end of the year 2013, the APEC guideline will be distributed throughout the economies as a final outcome.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> reported on CTI 15/12A Creation of APEC Guideline on Standards Infrastructure Establishment to be held on June/July 2013 at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Malaysia, Vietnam, United States, Peru, Japan, Singapore, Indonesia and China</u> sent complete survey format to Korea before the deadline requested.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> reported on the results of the Project's Survey and Workshop held in Medan, Indonesia on 23 June 2013 at SCSC2/2013.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> to report on results of the Workshop on Improved Food Inspection Capacity Building Based on Risk Analysis held on 21-23 May 2014 in Seoul, Korea</p>

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	e) Inspiring Next Generation of Standards Professional Development - Phase I: Identifying Stakeholder Requirements (CTI 07 2013T)	2013/ Korea	July 2013	Dec. 2014	<p>This project is designed to define next generation of standards professional, future human resources in the area of standards and conformity assessment, so as to improve the competitiveness of the APEC Member economies.</p> <p>The project will identify the stakeholder requirements for standards professionals in public and private stakeholders, and provide recommendations on how best to meet these requirements.</p>	In Process	<p>The Project's Work Plan:</p> <p>1) (Sep 2013 – Feb 2014) APEC wide-survey to collect actual workforce information from each economy, including business, standards and conformity related organizations, education institutions. This survey will be conducted mainly via SCSC representatives. This will include in-depth interviews and a column invitation to executive level thought leaders to be included in the final report.</p> <p>2) (Feb-June 2014) Workshop to identify stakeholder requirements and develop action recommendations. The speakers and participants will be contributors of the survey and thought-leaders as well as SCSC representatives. The workshop will be held in one of the proposing/cosponsor-economies.</p> <p>3) (Sep 2014) Draft report ready by Aug 2014 and final report published by Dec 2014</p> <p>Korea introduced the concept note on Animating Next Generation of Standards Professional Development: Phase I. Identifying Stakeholder Requirements at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Russia, Indonesia, Peru and Malaysia</u> updated on recent progress in standards education activities in their economies at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> briefed on the progress of the Project (CTI 07/13T) at SCSC2/2013.</p> <p><u>Korea</u> to report on the results of the Workshop on Standards Professionals Development held on 9 August 2014 in Beijing, China, at SCSC2/2014.</p>

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Completed	f) Aligning Energy Efficiency Regulations for ICT Products – Developing A Strategic Approach (CTI 04 2012T)	2012/ United States	April 2012	Dec. 2013	The direct beneficiaries of this project are economy regulators making decisions about how to implement ICT energy efficiency regulations in their home markets. Presentations made by economy representatives will discuss best practices of implementing energy efficiency programs, how to make decisions about what standards and conformity assessment to use for the home market and how to arrive at those decisions.	Completed	Project overseers will work closely with APEC officials, ICT trade associations, and other interested organizations to promote the project and coordinate on each step of the project. <u>United States</u> reported on the results of the Project at SCSC1/2014.
To be completed	g) Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) Readiness Project in Person Certification (CTI 04 2013T)	2013 Indonesia	April 2013	June 2014	The output of this project is improved capacities of accreditation and certification bodies on the person certification of competence. It will contribute to strengthening the Asian economies by increasing the quality of the workforce, the APEC trade liberalization and facilitation.	In Process	<p><b>The Project's Work Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- First workshop/training will be conducted on April 2014 in 3-days Training/Workshop for personnel certification body management staff or auditors providing the opportunity for practice case study as well as training courses in ISO/IEC 17024:2012.</li> <li>- 3-day Training Workshop for accreditation body assessors providing the opportunity to increase competencies when conduct assessment to personnel certification body based on new standard, ISO/IEC 17024:2012.</li> <li>- PO will submit monitoring report and Project Completion report to APEC secretariat.</li> </ul> <p><u>Indonesia</u> presented the re-submission of the concept note at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Indonesia</u> to report on the implementation results of the Project at SCSC2/2014.</p>

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Completed	h) APEC Wine Regulatory Forum – Public-Private Dialogue: Risk Management and Certification Requirements for Regional Trade in Wine (CTI 06 2012T)	2012/ New Zealand	March 2012	Dec. 2013	<p>The direct beneficiaries of this project are government officials and regulators from all 21 APEC Member Economies who are involved with or have an interest in good regulatory practice in the wine sector. These officials are from the government agencies responsible for policy and regulation in this area, for instance Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, New Zealand (MAF), General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of People's Republic of China (AQSIQ), Bureau of Standards, Metrology &amp; Inspection of the Ministry of economic Affairs in Chinese Taipei (BSMI), Directorate of Standards, Metrology and Quality in Viet Nam (STAMEQ) and Alcohol and Tobacco Tax &amp; Trade Bureau in USA (TTB).</p> <p>Wine producers, importers and other business stakeholders will also benefit from the Seminar as they will gain a better understanding of regulatory requirements in the region.</p>	Completed	<p>The key milestones for the Project include: Liaise with APEC economies regarding the seminar and begin logistical arrangements (Jan-Mar 2012); consult and develop seminar agenda (April-June); invite speakers and participants (July-Aug); finalise seminar agenda and logistics (Sep-Oct); host seminar (Nov); distribute seminar outcomes, final report and post documents on-line (Nov-Dec).</p> <p><u>New Zealand</u> reported on the results of the Project at SCSC 1/2014.</p>



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	i) Wine Regulatory Forum - Good Regulatory Practices Action Plan (M CTI 01 2013A)	2013/ United States	Feb. 2013	Dec. 2017	This project seeks to increase developing economies' capacity as regulators in each of those areas. Through active participation in the activities and technical events, these economies will gain improved assurance of the safety of imported wine. A reduction in unnecessary impediments to trade, such as redundant export certificate requirements, and a better understanding of foreign regulatory regimes and wine science, will lead to increased opportunities for developing economy wine exports.	In Process	<p>Actively participate in the FSCF Working Groups on electronic certification and MRLs. The APEC WRF has been approved as a partner with the FSCF. It is expected that the working groups will become active in mid 2013.</p> <p>Conduct a technical workshop on November 4-6, 2013 in Washington, D.C. on the margins of the World Wine Trade Group (WWTG) Annual Meeting. The program will include a technical tour of a wine production facility and TTB's Beverage Alcohol Laboratory to facilitate discussions of laboratory capacity, methods of analysis, and testing concerns.</p> <p>Expand the Compendia of Certification Requirements to include market entry and product requirements.</p> <p>Identify and engage an expert subcontractor to review existing databases and other resources for populating the Compendia and building a comprehensive regulatory database for the use of the regulators and industry of member economies. Establish the subcontractor as the focal point for collecting the data for the database. Set an 18-month time period for completing the regulatory database.</p> <p>Participate in 7th APEC SCSC Conference on Good Regulatory Practice at SOM 3. The WRF will be represented at the GRP event by New Zealand, which Kay Shapland from the Ministry of Primary Industries will brief the group on future work items and the new linkages with the FSCF on electronic certification and MRLs for pesticides.</p>

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							<p>Begin to identify standards and processing aids to be presented to Codex via a member economy.</p> <p>Initiate discussions on developing a priority list of MRLs for pesticides on wine grapes in coordination, and in support of, parallel work currently underway in the World Wine Trade Group.</p> <p>Continue the quarterly regulator conference calls and investigate funding support for those calls for eligible economies.</p> <p>Create an electronic platform where cosponsors and other interested parties can follow the progress of the WRF. The final project proposal, upcoming event information, and information about the working groups, among other information, would be made available on the site.</p> <p>Create a public-private Working Group to provide guidance on the implementation of the work plan as well as other assignments as required.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on the results of the Washington DC's Workshop held on 4-6 November 2013 at SCSC1/2014.</p> <p><u>United States</u> to report on progress of M CTI 01/13A and upcoming Wine Regulatory Forum to be held on 11-12 September 2014 in Beijing, China at SCSC2/2014.</p>

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	j) The Role of Standards and Conformity Assessment Measures in Enhancing the Performance and Energy Efficiency of the Commercial Building Sector (MYP CTI 02 2012A)	2012/ United States	May 2012	Dec. 2015	<p>The project will deliver the following outputs:</p> <p>1) Research Report: The report will provide baseline information on regional use of building codes and green codes to increase building performance. The report will be published on the APEC website.</p> <p>2) Survey: The survey results will be discussed at Workshop 1. Survey results will be posted to the APEC website.</p> <p>3) Workshop 1: Exchange of Best Practices in the Design and Implementation of Building Codes and Green Codes.</p> <p>4) Workshop 2: Building Information Modeling to Facilitate Green Building Practices.</p> <p>5) Workshop 3: Elaboration of Testing and Rating Requirements for Products in the Building Envelope.</p> <p>6) Workshop 4: Laboratory Testing Requirements as a Non-tariff Barrier for Ceiling and Flooring Products.</p> <p>7) Evaluation Report: This assessment report will enumerate changes in the Asia-Pacific region, ongoing and contemplated, that correspond to the project activities.</p>	In Process	<p><u>The Project's Work Plan for 2013-2014:</u></p> <p>2013 Two U.S. self-funded workshops: Workshop 1 – Lima, Peru (March 5-7, 2013) Workshop 2 – Medan, Indonesia (on the margins of APEC SOM 3)</p> <p>2014 Workshop 3: spring, location TBD Workshop 4: summer/fall, location TBD All APEC members will be contacted to review and comment on workshop agendas; APEC members will be encouraged to nominate expert speakers and send delegates to the workshops.</p> <p><i>United States to report on the 10<sup>th</sup> APEC Conference on Standards and Conformance (joint event of M CTI 02/12A and CTI 27/13A) held on 7-8 August, 2014 and other activities related to M CTI 02/12A and CTI 27/13A, at SCSC 2/2014.</i></p>

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					8) Collaboration. The workshops will provide a catalytic opportunity for development of new collaborative dialogues and approaches to the subject matter.		
	k) Aligning Energy Efficiency Regulations for ICT products – Implementing A Strategic Approach (CTI 27 2013A)	United States	01/9/2013	31/12/2014	This project will address the APEC leaders' priority of promoting sustainable growth by "advancing work on sharing best practices in energy efficiency with a view to deploying cleaner and more efficient technologies." It will also advance the APEC Business Advisory Council's recommendation to "explore ways to standardize or align energy efficiency and labelling." Further, it will implement SCSC endorsed principles on alignment of energy efficiency standards and conformity assessment requirements.	In Process	<u>United States</u> briefed on the activities of the Project to be implemented in 2014 at SCSC1/2014.  <u>United States</u> to report on the 10 <sup>th</sup> APEC Conference on Standards and Conformance (joint event of M CTI 02/12A and CTI 27/13A) held on 7-8 August, 2014 and other activities related to M CTI 02/12A and CTI 27/13A, at SCSC 2/2014.

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	l) Towards A Better Regulatory Environment: APEC Food Safety Cooperation Forum Special Session and APEC High Level Regulator-Industry Dialogue on Regulatory Cooperation of Food Safety (CTI 33/13A)	2013 China, Australia and US	01 /12/2013	30/11/2014	<p>Food Safety Cooperation Forum is one of the high priority projects in APEC SCSC.</p> <p>This proposal will allow members to develop a concrete action plan and to identify ways to overcome challenges in order to meet the goals of the roadmap for the APEC Regulatory Cooperation Plan. It is also in support the advancement of multilateral trading system by promoting to align standards to relevant international standards, and wherever possible consistent with WTO obligations as well as by enhancing mutual understanding of regulatory agencies and industries that aims to improve national regulatory systems and cross-border regulatory cooperation.</p>	In Process	<p><u>China</u> briefed on the activities of the Project to be implemented in 2014 at SCSC1/2014.</p> <p><u>China</u> to update on APEC FSCF development and report on progress of CTI 33/13A at SCSC 2/2014.</p>
To be completed	m) Enhancing Standards, Conformity Assessment, Technical Regulations and promoting Regulatory Cooperation in Food Allergen Management (CTI 34 2013A)	2013 Canada	01 May 2014	31 May 2014	<p>The outcomes of this project are expected to enhance APEC member economies' capacity to address Food Allergen issues, which is increasingly prevalent in the region. This proposal would serve to promote regional economic cooperation and greater alignment of regional standards and regulations, thus reducing the burden for industry, particularly Small and Medium-sized Enterprises who play a central role in the food sector. The project is also aligned with the priority of the Osaka Action Agenda to enhance APEC food systems.</p>	In Process	<p><u>Canada</u> to brief on the preparation of the Workshop to be held in May 2014 at SCSC1/2014.</p> <p><u>Canada</u> to report on the results of the Workshop held on 5-8 May 2014 in Vancouver, Canada, at SCSC2/2014.</p>

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	n) Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) Readiness Project in Energy Management System, ISO 50001 (CTI 25/13A)	2013 Japan	Jan.2014	Dec. 2014	The project aims to build the capacity to enable APEC economies to participate in the proposed Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (PAC) Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) for Energy Management System. This program contributes to the enhancement of capability of ISO 50001 organization, certification bodies, and accreditation bodies of APEC economies to further promote energy efficiency. The project; includes four workshops for internal auditors to align with ISO 50001; for certification body management staff or auditors, providing the opportunity for practice case study in ISO 50001; for accreditation assessors providing the opportunity for on-site assessment in ISO 50001 accreditation; and for PAC peer evaluators providing the opportunity for on sight assessment in ISO 50001.	In Process	<p><u>Japan</u> briefed on the CN at SCSC1/2014.</p> <p>Workshop 1 Title: 4-day training workshop for organization and internal auditors Date: This workshop has been postponed, and further information will be delivered later in 2014.</p> <p>Workshop 2 Title: 4-day training workshop for certification body staff or auditors Date: August 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Venue: Beijing, China</p> <p>Workshop 3 Title: 4-day training workshop for accreditation body and its on-site assessment Date: September 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Venue: Jakarta, Indonesia</p> <p>Workshop 4 Title: 4-day workshop training for PAC peer evaluator to extend ISO 50001 Date: November 4<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Venue: Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam</p> <p><u>Japan</u> to report on progress of the Project at SCSC2/2014</p>

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	o) Harmonizing standards and Enhancing Technical Capacity in Measurement and Verification of Energy Savings (CTI 13/14A)	China	Oct. 2014	Sept. 2015	This project will initiate an exchange on best practices of M&V standards and improve the technical capacity of member economies to apply these standards. The main activities include: 1) Review of M&V activities in APEC region, including methodologies, stakeholders, capacity and barriers, Oct. 2014 – June 2015; 2) A workshop to enhance experiences sharing among APEC economies on M&V standards and capacity building of application of internationally accepted standards such as ISO 50015 and ISO 17741, August 2015.	In Process	<u>China</u> briefed on the CN at SCSC1/2014. <del>China</del> to present on preparation for implementation of the Project at SCSC2/2014.
	p) Others CNs submitted or to be submitted					Other newly submitted CNs are under consideration or those will be submitted	"

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	8 <sup>th</sup> GRP Conference (CN)	Philippines	August 2014	November 2015	<p>The objective of the project is to further promote understanding on the elements of good regulatory practices and identify capacity building initiatives by APEC in building support for the implementation of GRPs across APEC.</p> <p>The project will continue the work from previous conferences in identifying good regulatory practices that are being implemented by APEC Member Economies and share experiences on the optional tools identified in implementing GRP as such 1) single online locations for regulatory information; 2) prospective regulatory planning; and 3) periodic reviews of existing regulation</p> <p>The project is targeted to be implemented through a two (2) day conference during the SCSC 2 meeting in the side-lines of SOM 3 in Cebu City, Philippines.</p>	To be submitted at Session 2, 2014	<i>Philippines to present on the Concept Note at SCSC 2/2014.</i>



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	Coordinated Research Initiative for the Implementation of Antimicrobial Control Strategies <b>(CN)</b>	Chile	January 2015 (proposed)	December 2015 (proposed)	<p>The activity will focus on Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) present in microbial strains isolated from animals, environment and food, in order to lay the foundations and economies' needs for establishing a Resistance Surveillance System in each economy in the short term.</p> <p>The outcome of this Workshop will include a capacity building training module on antimicrobial resistance for use by all APEC economies. Also, a final report of the advances and commitments of each economy will be delivered.</p>	To be submitted at Session 2, 2014	<i>Chile to present on the Concept Note at SCSC 2/2014.</i>

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	Facilitating trade through updates on food safety regulatory standards of APEC economies <b>(CN)</b>	Chile	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2015 (proposed)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2015 (proposed)	Chile is pursuing APEC funding to conduct a workshop on updates of food safety regulations of APEC economies. The workshop will focus on understanding modernization in standards and responsibilities regarding food safety of APEC economies, raising awareness on these topics to facilitate food trade and improve food safety standards, and the manner in which APEC economies are dealing with emerging food safety challenges. The workshop is intended to be held in Santiago, Chile, in 2015. The outcome of it will consist in obtaining detailed data of all APEC economies on their modifications in food safety regulations and a better understanding of the similarities and differences on food safety challenges in the region.	To be submitted at Session 2, 2014	<u>Chile to present on the Concept Note at SCSC 2/2014.</u>

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	Medical External Quality Assurance (EQA) Capacity Building Programme (CN)	Malaysia	May 2015 (proposed)	November 2015 (proposed)	This is the first APEC project focusing on Medical External Quality Assurance. Previous work in APEC Sub-Committee on Standards Conformance was focused on other field such as food safety, seafood toxicity and veterinary drug residues. The Project's workshop is aimed to initiate efforts to build up capacity and capability of EQA providers especially in developing countries in APEC region. This project will benefit EQA providers where it can increase their readiness to establish and run its own EQA programmes.	To be submitted at Session 2, 2014	<i>Malaysia to present on the Concept Note at SCSC 2/2014</i>
	5) The SCSC to support capacity building oriented to training business, especially SMEs, improving their knowledge, expertise and skills on standards and conformance matters, including public consultation	2003 Chile and Brunei Darussalam	From 2003	On-going	- Capacity building program approved for implementation - Encouraging member economies to provide inputs for training program	In process	- Progress report of <i>Lead economies (Chile, Brunei Darussalam)</i> to be updated at SCSC 2/2013.

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<b>5. Transparency (02 actions)</b>							
Ensure the transparency of the standards and conformity assessment of APEC economies	<p><b>1) Member economies</b> to update the APEC Contact Points for Standards and Conformance Information, including member economies' participants in the Specialist Regional Bodies and member economies SCSC Contact Points.</p> <p>Member economies agreed that this information should be maintained on the APEC Secretariat's homepage.</p>	1997 APEC Secretariat	From 1997	On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Contact point for Standards and conformance of economies is updated</li> <li>- The information on the member economies contact point for Standards and conformance is maintained on the APEC Secretariat's homepage</li> </ul>	In process	<i>Member economies are updating contact points annually.</i>
	<p><b>2) Member economies</b> to endeavor to establish Internet websites to disseminate standards and conformance information.</p>	1997 Member economies	From 1997	On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The internet website to disseminate standards and conformance information is established by member economies</li> </ul>	In process	<i>Member economies continue to establish and maintain internet website to disseminate Standards &amp; Conformance information</i>

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<b>6. Cooperation with Specialist Regional Bodies (01 action)</b>							
	<b>1) SCSC</b> to pursue closer cooperation with the Specialist Regional Bodies (SRBs) e.g. in development of technical activities relevant to SRBs	2000 Indonesia	From 2000	On-going	<p>1. APEC TILF and other APEC-funded funding proposals involving standards and conformance issues have relevant SRB input, and resulting projects have active involvement by relevant SRBs.</p> <p>2. Regulators in APEC economies develop appropriate reference standards and conformance infrastructures that build on and are effectively linked with SRB activities to achieve good regulatory practice and to minimize technical barriers to trade.</p> <p>3. Industry (especially SMEs) makes use of the SRB standards and conformance infrastructure to help achieve its aims.</p> <p>4. Closer ongoing dialogue between ABAC and SRBs.</p>	In-process	<p>- SCSC has endorsed the SRB strategic Plan (5 years) for Technical Infrastructure Development in Support of Trade Facilitation in APEC Economies at SCSC Meeting, in February 2008, including a summary of the activities undertaken by the SRBs in recent years and outlines some projects and activities planned for the next five years</p> <p>- <u>Indonesia</u> informed about/introduced the successor at SCSC 1 in 2011.</p>
<b>7. Cooperation with International Bodies (02 actions)</b>							
	<b>1) The SCSC</b> to monitor the developments within the WTO Committees on the TBT and SPS and discuss implementation issues.	2001 Japan and China	From 2001	On-going	SCSC be kept informed on and contribute to TBT/SPS activities.	In process	<p><u>Japan</u> and <u>China</u> report at SCSC meeting, the relevant TBT/SPS discussions as well as SCSC's contribution and implementation for these activities.</p> <p>For development within WTO TBT Committee: <u>Japan</u> reported on the developments within the WTO TBT Committee (2010/SOM3/SCSC/015). <u>Japan</u> reported on the development within the WTO TBT Committee at SCSC2 in 2011.</p>

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							<p><u>Japan</u> reported on the development within the WTO TBT Committee at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> reported on the developments within the WTO TBT Committee, reviewing specific trade concerns raised at the November 2012 TBT meeting and the 6<sup>th</sup> Triennial review of the TBT Agreement at SCSC 1/2013.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> reported on the results of the WTO TBT Committee meeting held on 5-7 March 2013 and other related developments at SCSC2/2013.</p> <p>For development within WTO SPS Committee:</p> <p><u>China</u> presented a summary report on the 48th meeting of the WTO/SPS Committee on 29-30 June 2010 in Geneva (2010/SOM3/SCSC/021).</p> <p><u>China</u> reported on the results of the 49<sup>th</sup> SPS Committee Meeting held in October 2010 at SCSC 1 in 2011.</p> <p>- <u>China</u> and <u>Mexico</u> reported on the development within WTO SPS Committee at SCSC2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>China</u> reported a summary of the WTO SPS Committee meeting held in October 2012 in Geneva at SCSC 1/2013.</p> <p><u>China</u> reported a summary of the WTO SPS Committee meeting held in March 2013 in Geneva and other related developments at SCSC2/2013.</p>
<b>8. Cooperation with other APEC Fora (3 actions)</b>							
	<b>1) The SCSC</b> to pursue further coordination with other APEC fora.	2001 APEC Secretariat	From 2001	On-going	-The coordination activities with other APEC fora to be considered in SCSC program	In process	The coordination activities with other APEC for such as MAG, Chemical Dialogue, etc that are carried out by SCSC in its work program.

OAA Objectives	ACTIONS	Year of CAP/ Lead economy	Starting year	Target year Developed/ developing	Target outcomes (Quantitative/ Qualitative)	Status (Completed/ in process)	Remarks
	<b>2) The SCSC</b> to conduct work plan for promoting the business interaction with SCSC activities including:						
	a) Involvement of the business in the SCSC's Conferences on GRP and SCSC's conference on Standards and Conformance	2008 Host economies	2008	On-going	- Business' participation increased; - Information circulated and shared.	In process	<p>Business involvement in 8<sup>th</sup> Standards &amp; Conformance conferences in 2010 and other SCSC projects/workshops held in SOM 3.</p> <p><u>A SCSC concept note from US and Australia:</u> seminar on key issues in wine regulation has been in principle approved by BMC. This seminar has the objective of promoting regulatory coherence in the APEC region, improved dialogue and cooperation. Regulators in developing economies will have a forum to develop regulations that are trade facilitating, prevent consumer deception, guarantee food safety and are WTO consistent.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> hosted SC conference for Green Harmonization at SCSC2/2010.</p> <p><u>Australia</u> reported on the activities of the World Wine Trade Group (WWTG) at SCSC 2 in 2012.</p> <p><u>Australia presented an updated</u> report of the World Wine Trade Group at SCSC1/2013.</p>

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							<p><u>New Zealand</u> reported on the 2012 Wine Regulatory Forum event (CTI/06/12T) and the 2012 Auckland recommendations at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>United States</u> reported on the MYP CNs that supported two WRF conducted in 2011 and 2012 to exchange best practices regarding wine regulations (2013/SOM1/SCSC/017) at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>SCSC members</u> reported on business engagement in SCSC activities at SCSC2/2013.</p>
	b) ABAC/Industry-SCSC dialogue on specific SCSC's activities interested by business at SCSC conferences and meetings	2008 Host economy	2008	On going	- The Dialogue organized with participation of representatives from NSBs, businesses and ABAC.	In process	<p>ABAC/Industry-SCSC dialogue has been conducted in 7<sup>th</sup> SCSC Standards and Conformance Conference held in Cusco in August 2008. <i>2009 APEC Response to ABAC 2008</i>;</p> <p>Recommendations and Consolidated 2010 ABAC Response to 2009 APEC Response to be reported by APEC Secretariat.</p>
	c) EGEE&C's APEC-ASEAN Harmonization of Energy Efficiency Standards for Air Conditioners: Phase 1	Japan		2013		completed	<p><u>Japan</u> reported on the progress of the EGEE&amp;C's APEC-ASEAN Harmonization of Energy Efficiency Standards for Air Conditioners: Phase 1 just for information at SCSC1/2013.</p> <p><u>Japan</u> reported on the project on APEC-ASEAN Harmonization of Energy Efficiency Standards for Air Conditioners-Phase 1 just for information at SCSC2/2013.</p>



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	<b>3) The SCSC</b> to hold Policy Dialogue sessions on standards and conformance and follow-up the policy implications arising from them	2002 Host economy	From 2002	On-going	- Reflecting policy dialogue on S & C and follow-up actions in work plan of SCSC	In process	Policy Dialogue on Standards & Conformance is considered at SCSC meeting annually
<b>9. Reform of SCSC (01 action)</b>							
	1) Member economies to suggest their initiatives/recommendations for further development and implementation of SCSC CAP.	2011 Viet Nam	From 2011	On-going	- For further development and implement of SCSC CAP.	In-process	Open for suggesting initiatives from member economies. <i>Member economies are encouraged to provide their initiatives/suggestions to Viet Nam.</i>

### Customs Procedures 2014 Work Program

APEC Priority	Subject	Objective	Action	Status
<b>Trade Facilitation</b>	<b>Supply Chain Connectivity</b>	<p>Continue implementing the proposed actions with relevant to Customs under the following SCF Chokepoints:</p> <p><u>Chokepoint 1:</u> Lack of transparency</p> <p><u>Chokepoint 4:</u> Inefficient clearance; Lack of coordination</p> <p><u>Chokepoint 5:</u> Burdensome customs procedures</p> <p><u>Chokepoint 8:</u> Lack of regional cross-border customs transit arrangements</p>	<p>Discuss and identify specific actions to improve the chokepoints relevant to Customs specified by the SCF.</p>	<p>Ongoing: Chile organised a workshop on Chokepoint 8 in 2014.</p> <p>Ongoing: U.S continues to support the CTI systematic approach on utilizing the SCF Action Plan focusing on chokepoint implementation and coordination of policy recommendations for a meaningful approach and more visibility into specific economy capacity building needs and opportunities.</p> <p>Ongoing: The SCCP continues to contribute to the systematic approach to addressing the SCF chokepoints relevant to Customs.</p>

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	<b>Single Window</b>	Continue capacity building efforts and efforts to support the development of SW systems, as identified within the SCF.	Support the development of SW and accelerate seamless data sharing between SW systems through information sharing among APEC members.	<p>Ongoing: U.S. continues to work to progress its single window program, Automated Commercial Environment (ACE), which modernizes and enhances trade processing with features that will consolidate and automate border processing and provide a single, centralized access point. U.S will complete the implementation of core trade processing functionality in ACE by the end of 2016.</p> <p>On going: SCCP continues to work on the development of SW by 2020 and accelerate seamless data sharing between/among SW systems.</p>
<b>Trade Facilitation/Secure Trade</b>	<b>Authorized Economic Operator</b>	Assist in establishing an AEO program in consistent with WCO SAFE Framework of Standards by each APEC economy, which leads to promotion of Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) between the interested economies.	Implement the AEO action plan including the development of the AEO Best practices and an AEO Capacity Building Plan	<p>On going: Australia proposed the Concept Note "Trusted Trader Program" U.S shared information on questionnaire of the current status of AEO programs to include program background, goals, capacity building needs, and next steps for AEO in the APEC region.</p> <p>On going: SCCP will continue to promote AEO as best practice and work intersessionally in 2014 through evaluation, assessment, and information sharing.</p>

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	<b>Partnership with Business Community</b>	Enhanced cooperation between the public and private sector Customs stakeholders in order to jointly develop and progress SCCP Priorities.	Establish the Virtual Working Group (VWG) to enhance customs public-private coordination in developing and progressing SCCP priorities	On going: The group is forwarding suggestions to the Secretariat to work towards and propose agenda topics for upcoming meetings during 2014 to be held with the private sector.
	<b>IT Information and Risk Management</b>	Exchange information on IT application to Customs clearance procedures and other Customs related trade facilitation areas.	Collate/Share information on new technologies and equipments applied for Customs procedures to facilitate trade.	On going: China presented its pilot project on manifest data exchange with land bordering customs for discussion.  On going: SCCP continues to exchange experience and information on new technologies applied for Customs procedures to facilitate trade.
<b>Secure Trade</b>	<b>Intellectual Property Rights</b>	Strengthen intellectual property rights (IPR) border enforcement in the APEC region and promote greater collaboration between Customs and right holders	Share experience of C2C cooperation on information exchange about suspension of counterfeited and pirated goods, and enhance cooperation between Customs and right holders.	On going: Hongkong, China and Japan will organise a Border-Enforcement Workshop in November,2014  On going: U.S. will propose a mutual border enforcement IPR operation to enhance border enforcement and information sharing that will focus on perfumes as counterfeit goods. The goal is to enhance cooperation and share trends for counterfeit perfumes as a growing health and safety risk for consumers.  On going: SCCP will continue to exchange

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				experiences and information on IPR border enforcement under new CAP.
	<b>Cross-border E-commerce</b>	To strengthen risk control and “Compliance and Facilitation” clearance for better customs control of Cross-border E-commerce	Share experience of Customs control on Cross-border E-commerce; applying for financial support from the APEC fund; If supported, a seminar to carry on the work would be on the way.	On going: China shared the analysis of a Questionnaire Survey on APEC Cross-border E-commerce. The report summarized the status quo of law and legislation, supervision and control, law enforcement activities relating to Cross-border E-commerce in APEC region and also studied on the need of capacity building programs in this regard in the future. In addition, it is agreed that a new CAP of Cross-border E-commerce will be established.
	<b>Trade Recovery</b>	Build the communication network to facilitate the resumption of the legitimate international flow of goods based on the WCO TRP.	Develop a list of contact points among APEC Customs administrations and develop tools for information exchange among APEC Customs administrations to facilitate trade recovery activities.	On going: U.S will work intersessionally with interested economies to carry the work forward.
<b>Collective Action Plan</b>	<b>Collective Action Plan</b>	Achieve remaining 6 CAP items by 2020 and continue to develop appropriate measures including the creation of new CAP items to tackle rapidly changing environment surrounding customs	Develop and endorse the scope and timeline for the Single Window CAP item  Develop and endorse the scope and timeline for an AEO CAP item	On going: SCCP will make efforts to achieve remaining 6 CAP items by 2020 and consider appropriate measures including the creation of new CAP items to tackle rapidly changing environment surrounding customs.

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<b>Cross-For a Collaboration</b>	<b>Cross-Fora Collaboration</b>	Enhance coordination amongst border agencies	<p>Develop practical ways in which border agencies can enhance coordination at the border</p> <p>Coordinate with the BMG,CTTF,ECSG, and other relevant fora to assist in further developing APEC's Counterterrorism, Travel Facilitation, and Secure Trade agendas</p>	<p>On going: The Travel Facilitation Initiative (TFI) was endorsed by the SOM Steering Committee on ECOTECH (SCE) in 2011 as a cross-cutting initiative to expedite the movement of travellers across the Asia-Pacific region, with the goal of enabling more efficient, more secure, and less stressful travel. The SCCP serves a coordinating role on two topics led by the BMG (API and Trusted Traveller). As next steps, the SCCP will be asked to provide input/ coordination on a project proposal to developing APEC-wide consensus on trusted traveller program characteristics Currently this is under review at the BMG.</p>

**Acronyms**

ABAC	APEC Business Advisory Council	C2C	Customs to Customs	SOM	Senior Officials' Meeting
ACBD	APEC Customs-Business Dialogue	CTTF	Counterterrorism Task Force	SW	Single Window
AELM	APEC Economic Leaders Meeting	IPR	Intellectual Property Right	TFAP	Trade Facilitation Action Plan
AEO	Authorized Economic Operator	IT	Information Technology	TRP	Trade Recovery Program
AMM	APEC Ministers Meeting	KPI	Key Performance Indicator	TRS	Time Release Survey
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation	MRT	Ministers Responsible for Trade	WCO	World Customs Organization
BMG	Business Mobility Group	SCCP	Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures	WTO	World Trade Organization
CAP	Collective Action Plan	SCF	Supply Chain Framework		

### Intellectual Property Rights 2014 Work Program

Objectives/ Goals	Actions with lead economy, if any	Status/ Target Date
<b>SUPPORT THE MULTILATERAL TRADING SYSTEM</b>	Member economies reported on their respective progress in developing IP systems consistent with the WTO and other international norms.	On going.
<p><b>ATTAINING THE BOGOR GOALS, TRADE AND INVESTMENT LIBERALISATION, REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION</b></p> <p>-Attaining the Bogor Goals -Exploring an FTAAP -Next Generation Trade and Investment Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APEC Information and Experience sharing of IP-related treaties.</li> <li>• IPEG Work to Enhance Trade Secrets Protection and Enforcement</li> </ul>	<p>IPEG considers the importance of IP as an economic tool for development and growth, so activities within the group continue to pursue IP protection and enforcement within IPEG through the ongoing Collective Action Plan (CAPS).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>CAP: Support for Easy and Prompt Acquisition of Rights. Participation in International IP-related Systems.</b></li> </ul> <p><u>Japan</u> explained the efforts over the years to establish several IPR-related treaties to harmonize various aspects of IPR protection and enforcement, including IPR acquisition. Japan provided an update on the survey under this topic and members were invited to complete a questionnaire detailing the benefits and best practices related to their own IP systems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>CAP: Support for APEC Investment Facilitation Action Plan. Utilizing new Technology to improve investment environments.</b></li> </ul> <p>IPEG recognizes that the effective protection and enforcement of trade secrets incentivizes and facilitates innovation and foreign direct investment and the dissemination of technology through licensing and partnerships.</p> <p>Lead Economy: <u>United States</u></p>	<p>On going.</p> <p>On going</p> <p>On going.</p>

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<p><b>CONTRIBUTION TO PROMOTING CONNECTIVITY</b> -Implementation of the Supply-Chain Connectivity Framework and Action Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey on Innovation and SMEs Management</li> <li>• Initiative to facilitate the exploitation of IPRs and innovation in SMEs</li> <li>• Promoting Effective utilization of IPRs through the concept of open innovations</li> </ul>	<p>-Implementation of the Supply-Chain Connectivity Framework and Action Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>CAP: Developing strategies to meet intellectual property needs of SMEs.</b></li> </ul> <p>1. <u>Mexico</u> provided an update on this topic and explained that Small and Medium Enterprises have an important role in the economic development and progress of their own economies, therefore their participation in global supply chains is very important for encouraging innovation.</p> <p>2. <u>Korea and Mexico</u> co-proposed this initiative which aims to foster innovation in SMEs through the exploitation of IPRs that will contribute to economic development. All economies agreed that this initiative should not only focus on innovation (patents) but also in the issue of trademarks as the driven-force for the SMEs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>CAP: Facilitation of Technology Transfer through Ensuring of IP Protection.</b></li> </ul> <p><u>Russia</u> proposed the project to all economies to discuss the concept of open innovations from the point of acquisition and transfer of IPRs.</p>	<p>On going.</p> <p>On going.</p> <p>On going.</p>
<p><b>CONTRIBUTIONS TO APEC'S LEADERS' GROWTH STRATEGY GROWTH, INCLUDING INNOVATIVE GROWTH</b> -IPR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intellectual Property Academy Collaborative Initiative (iPAC Initiative)</li> </ul>	<p>-IPR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>CAP: Capacity-building</b></li> </ul> <p>1. <u>Japan</u> updated on this initiative which promotes the exchange of information among IP academies and facilitates voluntary and among them in IP training, education and research. The website under this initiative is available until March, 2015.</p>	<p>On going.</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bridging IP Divide and facilitating information and communication technology by developing a mobile application for Intellectual property Awareness.</li> </ul>	<p>2. <u>Korea</u> presented this initiative aiming to develop an IP game-based and text-based phone application by combining games, informative content, historical facts and quizzes in a comprehensive textbook on IP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CAP: Trade and Investment Facilitation. APEC Anti-Counterfeiting and Piracy Initiative.</b></li> </ul>	On going.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relationship between counterfeiting/piracy and organized crime</li> </ul>	<p><u>Mexico</u> drafted a survey with the support of <u>Japan</u> and the <u>U.S.</u> concerning the relation between counterfeiting / piracy and organized crime. IPEG member agreed to work together to find an efficient mechanism or platform dedicated to data collection of best practices in the enforcement of intellectual property rights, which could facilitate the dialogue, the exchange of views and the implementation of these practices, thus avoiding with this the risks involved with counterfeit products and pointing towards a better framed use of intellectual property rights in the APEC region.</p>	On going.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective Enforcement Initiatives</li> </ul>	<p>The Philippines updated on this initiative emphasizing the critical role of an IP Office in bringing together law enforcement agencies and adopting a holistic approach in addressing IPR violations. Implementing strategic actions like strengthening the legal and policy infrastructure, enhancing inter-agency coordination, capacity building of enforcement officers, prosecutors and members of the judiciary, accession to international treaties and compliance with international commitments, and enhanced educational campaign that builds culture of respect for intellectual property rights at all levels of society are key elements in bringing about a robust IP environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CAP: APEC Cooperation Initiative on Patent Acquisition.</b></li> </ul>	On going.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More Coherence under the APEC Cooperation Initiative on Patent Acquisition Procedures</li> </ul>	<p><u>Japan's</u> initiative consists of a "one-stop" website, on a self-funded basis, allowing patent system users to download request/petition forms to be</p>	On going.

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	used when they request an IP Office to conduct examination by referring to results of search/examination already carried out by another IP Office. The website under this initiative is available until March, 2015.	
<b>ACTIVITIES WITH ABAC (INCLUDING RESPONSES TO ABAC's 2013 RECOMMENDATIONS) AND / OR OTHER EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS</b> -IPEG-ABAC Cooperation	It was agreed between <u>IPEG</u> and <u>ABAC</u> on ABAC's participation in presenting a mutually-agreed topic for future IPEG's meetings.	In Process.
<b>STREAMLINING OF CTI SUB-FORA: CTI RECOMMENDATIONS TO SENIORS OFFICIALS</b> -Terms of Reference	<u>The Chair</u> proposed the revision of the IPEG 1997 Terms of Reference in order to strength the efficiency and effectiveness of the group. IPEG members agree that it will be revised in due time as this issue is not an urgent matter.	IPEG agreed to work intersessionally in this proposal.
<b>DELIVERABLES FOR 2014</b>  -5 Workshops	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Workshop on Technological protection measures. Held on February 18th, 2014 at Ningbo, China.</li> <li>2. Workshop on Appropriate Technology, Strategic IP Utilization for sustainable development. Held on July 2nd to 3rd, 2014 at Seoul, Korea.</li> <li>3. Workshop to Enhance Trade Secrets Protection and Enforcement held on August 9th at Beijing, China.</li> <li>4. Participation in Promoting APEC SME Innovation through smart IPR Policy Seminar, to be held in Bangkok, Thailand on September 17th and 18th, 2014.</li> <li>5. Participation in APEC Workshop on IPR Border Enforcement. To be held on November 11th to 13th, 2014 at Hong Kong, China. This workshop is organized by the SCCP.</li> </ol>	Concluded.  Concluded.  Concluded.  Concluded.  In Process.

### Mobility of Business People 2014 Collective Action Plan

OAA Objectives	Action	Time Frame
<b>Collective Actions</b> <b>APEC economies will:</b>		
<b>EXCHANGE INFORMATION</b> Exchange information on regulatory regimes in regard to the mobility of business people in the region, including through regularly updating the information in the online <i>APEC Business Travel Handbook</i> .	Members continue to regularly update the online <i>APEC Business Travel Handbook</i> informing business of economies' short-term and temporary residence entry requirements and processing arrangements (standing item at BMG meetings), in accordance with agreed BMG Transparency Standards.	On going
	Members continue to update to the primary APEC Business Mobility Group website at <a href="http://www.travel.apec.org">www.travel.apec.org</a> .	On going
	BMG members continue to use the APEC Coordinating Site (ACS) as a conduit for pre meeting papers. Members also receive notification from the BMG Chair through use of the "Message from the Chair" section of the website.	On going
	Members continue to implement enhancements to the online <i>APEC Business Travel Handbook</i> and other official immigration/consular affairs websites to improve the transparency and accessibility of public immigration information, in line with agreed actions to address the findings of the 2005 TILF funded Temporary Entry Review.	On going
<b>SHORT-TERM BUSINESS ENTRY</b> Streamline short term entry requirements for business people. APEC economies will strive on best endeavors basis, and according to own immigration procedures, to implement one or more of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• visa free or visa waiver arrangements;</li> <li>• participate in the APEC Business Travel Card (ABTC) scheme;</li> <li>• multiple short-term entry and stay visas which are valid for 3 years. Noting that at SOM3 in Beijing, the BMG agreed to in-principle support for extension of the validity of the ABTC from 3 to 5 years.</li> </ul>	Members continue to review and improve their arrangements for short term business travellers, including the progressive implementation of e-commerce arrangements consistent with agreed standards.	On going
	Members continue to explore ABAC's aim of expanding the ABTC scheme to remaining non-participating economies.  Canada and the United States began issuing ABTCs to eligible citizens, although without pre-clearance from June 2014.	On going
	Consultancy firm Washington Core, has been engaged to conduct an end-to-end review of the ABTC Scheme. The review will identify opportunities for	End of 2014

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	<p>enhancements, including opportunities around online lodgement, expedited decision making and improvements to processing times. The final report will contain recommendations that will inform the BMG's future strategic objectives and efforts to grow the scheme. The report is due by the end of 2014 and will be considered by BMG members at the forthcoming SOM in the Philippines in early 2015.</p>	
<p><b>BUSINESS TEMPORARY RESIDENCY</b> Implement streamlined temporary residence processing arrangements for the intra company transfer of executives, senior managers and specialists, as defined by individual economies.</p>	<p>Members continue to implement, on a best endeavors basis, the agreed 30 day service standard for the temporary residency processing of executives, senior managers on intra-company transfers, and specialists (as defined by individual economies), where all necessary documentation is completed. Members continue to report on processing times (standing item).</p> <p>As at SOM III 2011, 14 of 17 responding economies advised that were meeting the 30 day service standard on processing timeframes for Intra-company transfers.</p>	On going
	<p>Members report to BMG meetings on implementing e-commerce facilities (standing item).</p> <p>In 2013 the BMG agreed that rather than only investigating an online lodgement system that the group look at the way in which the ABTC Scheme currently operates. To this end, the final report of the end-to-end review of the ABTC Scheme will contain recommendations.</p>	On going
<p><b>CAPACITY BUILDING (TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND TRAINING)</b> Develop and implement the mutually agreed standards and benchmarks essential to capacity building and engage in the capacity building initiatives necessary to provide streamlined visa application and immigration entry, stay and departure processing.</p>	<p>At SOM III 2001, the BMG endorsed a standards paper for Document Examination and Fraud detection. These standards are being used by economies to develop their current capacity.</p> <p>As at 2011, at least 16 economies have introduced Machine Readable Travel Documents and at least 10 have introduced a biometric MRTD.</p>	Implementation of the standards is ongoing on an individual, best endeavors basis.

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	<p><b>Biometrics</b></p> <p>At SOM III 2013, the BMG implemented reporting arrangements for border trials where ABTC holders are facilitated through automated border clearance systems. Identity Assurance Framework Document.</p> <p>At Session 2 of APEC’s Budget and Management Committee (BMC), in-principle approval was granted to two projects. They include Handling Passport Changes in the ABTC System and APEC Business Travel Card – Programme Management Capacity Building Project. Full project proposals and quality assurance framework forms are due to the Secretariat by November 2014.</p> <p>If approved the project will enable the sharing of expertise and building of ABTC Scheme capacity, possibly in the form of a technical working group on the margins of the BMG. This would include training, programme management support/reporting and delivery on ABTC client service standards.</p> <p><b>Legal Infrastructure Standards and Professional Immigration Service Standards</b></p> <p>During 2012, the BMG’s reviewed its Legal Infrastructure Standards that seek to regulate legislative framework of economies and the BMG’s Professional Immigration Service standards that set out standards in relation to the professional behaviour of immigration officials. These reviews determined that the standards previously developed by the BMG remain relevant and appropriate to today’s border management context. In the process of review, member economies also suggested a number of additional standards that could be added to these documents. Further consideration of these additional standards will be undertaken in 2013.</p> <p>In 2013, the BMG finalised its review of the Professional Immigration Standards and progressed the review of the Legal Infrastructure Standards.</p>	

OAA Objectives	Action	Time Frame
	<p>The Legal Infrastructure Standards are being updated to keep pace with developments in the immigration and border environment in the region. The Standards focus on building economies' legal infrastructure as a means to enhance their capacity to facilitate business mobility and recognise that an APEC-wide approach to legislation, to the extent achievable, is a worthy goal and could strengthen regional immigration and border arrangements to the broad benefit of all economies.</p> <p><b>Border Capabilities Model</b></p> <p>At SOM II 2012, the BMG finalised an APEC Best Practice Border Capabilities Model for Air Travel in the region.</p> <p>This model sets out the ideal capabilities APEC economies can seek to implement to support the dual objectives of business facilitation and human security. It identifies possible efficiencies that can be gained in immigration procedures to facilitate and accelerate travel while managing the risks posed by non-genuine travellers. It also provides a building block upon which economies may decide to explore structural reform, an improvement of coordination mechanisms or the use of innovative technologies in border management.</p> <p>At SOM III 2013, the BMG also agreed to seek the TFI Steering Committee's views on practical next steps to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• enable stocktake of expertise available within APEC in relation to border capabilities (contained in the APEC Best Practice Border Capabilities Model for Air Travel, adopted by BMG in 2012) and border systems architecture;</li> <li>• enable the creation of knowledge library in relation to border capabilities;</li> <li>• enable consideration of an appropriate pathway for economies to seek further expert assistance from other APEC economies with consideration of border capabilities or</li> </ul>	

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	<p>strategic configuration of capabilities, gap analysis and emerging opportunities.</p> <p>At SOM III 2014, the BMG undertook to continue to work collaboratively on projects identified in the APEC Travel Facilitation Initiative (TFI), working closely with the TFI Steering Council and relevant APEC groups, to enable more efficient, more secure travel.</p>	