

APEC Policy Partnership on Food Security (PPFS) Work Plan 2022

Introduction

1. In 2021, PPFS jointly developed a Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030 (Roadmap 2030) and endorsed it at the Ministerial Meeting on Food Security in August. The Roadmap 2030 is aimed at enhancing an open, fair, transparent, productive, sustainable and resilient APEC food system that ensures access to sufficient, safe, affordable, and nutritious food to meet the dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life. The Roadmap 2030 has 6 key action areas: digitalization and innovation, productivity, inclusivity, sustainability, public private partnership and SMART goals.
2. In the APEC Putrajaya Vision 2040, APEC Leaders committed to building “an open, dynamic, resilient and peaceful Asia-Pacific Community by 2040.” The implementation plan of the APEC Putrajaya Vision 2040, and the Aotearoa Plan of Action stated that “APEC fora and sub-fora will make provision for implementing the APEC Putrajaya Vision 2040 in their work plans and strategic plans”. Specifically, in relation to food security, the Aotearoa Plan of Action emphasized the need for collective actions undertaken by economies to ensure lasting food security, food safety and improved nutrition for all, as well as reducing food waste and loss in the region by promoting agricultural food trade, agricultural sustainability and innovation, and implementing the Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030.
3. The task of PPFS this year under Thailand’s chairmanship will be to work on developing an implementation plan of the Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030. Since last year, there are projects and initiatives of APEC economies that have and will contribute to the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030. A formal implementation plan will help guide and focus economies’ leadership in achieving the targeted goals of the Roadmap 2030.
4. Also, in the ABAC’s report to the APEC Economic Leaders, ABAC called on APEC to support the implementation of a whole-of-system approach to food security, and to ensure the role of the private sector is expanded and enabled in APEC’s activities in relation to food security including in the APEC Policy Partnership on Food Security.

PPFS Deliverables for 2022

1. The implementation plan of the Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030

In 2022, Thailand will lead the development of the implementation plan of the Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030. This implementation plan will be an important document that will lay out the activities with a timeframe and target outcomes of each action. This document sets out the individual and collective actions towards achieving food security in APEC region, along with how we will evaluate the progress.

As stated in the Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030, some actions will need to be worked on earlier than other actions such as Para 8(a) review of existing APEC fora and sub-fora work on digital issues and the identification of areas that need to be prioritized for further work on interoperability; Para 8(e) information-sharing via the APIP database, Para 14(d) assessment of existing barriers to financial inclusion; and Para 17(e) a review of progress on

public-private investment in infrastructure and cold chain to reduce the current level of food loss and waste.

The Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030 also acknowledges the need to meaningful partnership with ABAC and other private sector. Therefore, review of the functioning and the Terms of Reference of the PPFS are also included in the implementation plan.

Thailand is well aware that food security cannot be achieved without the participation of all relevant stakeholders as well as other related APEC fora such as the Agricultural Technical Cooperation Working Group (ATCWG), the High-Level Policy Dialogue on Agricultural Biotechnology (HLPDAB), and the Ocean and Fisheries Working Group (OFWG), etc.

The process for adopting the implementation plan to the Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030 is in the following table.

Date	Event	Action
14-15 Feb 2022	The 1 st PPFS Plenary Meeting	Endorsement of the Term of Reference of developing the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030 in the meeting or by the end of February 2022
16 Feb 2022	The Joint Meeting of PPFS and OFWG	Discussion on the collaboration of OFWG in developing the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030
Prior to PPFS Webinar in March	-Have a discussion with PPFS members (Voluntary) via online meeting or Email	Discussion and work on some items that need immediate actions
March 2022	The PPFS Webinar on sharing best practices and proposed actions for the Implementation Plan of Food Security Roadmap Towards 2030	Share and discuss the substance for the development of the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030. PPFS and related APEC fora are invited to exchange ideas and opinion.
May – June 2022	- Hold a discussion of small working groups (representative from PPFS, OFWG, ATCWG and HLPDAB) of economies volunteering to lead key action areas in the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030. - Circulate the written draft to all economies (PPFS, OFWG, ATCWG and HLPDAB) for comments.	Work on the draft text of the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030 1 st draft circulated by May 31. 2 nd draft circulated by June 30

August 2022	The 2 nd PPFS Plenary Meeting -	- Further discussion on the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030 - Agree on final draft text
August 2022	Joint Meeting of PPFS, OFWG, ATCWG and HLPDAB	- Present the agreed final draft text.
August 2022	The Food Security Ministerial Meeting	Endorsement of the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030

2. The Declaration on APEC Food Security

As APEC host 2022, Thailand will organize the APEC Food Security Ministerial Meeting in August 2022. The Ministerial Meeting marks the strong intention of APEC economies to work on the implementation plan of the Roadmap 2030 in order to achieve food security in the APEC Region. It is undeniable that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused adverse effects to food security globally and the APEC region.

The process of adopting the Declaration is in the following table.

Date	Event	Action
14-15 Feb 2022	The 1 st PPFS Plenary Meeting	Introduction of the Key Concept of Declaration on Food Security for comments
16 Feb 2022	The Joint Meeting of PPFS and OFWG	Introduction of the Key Concept of Declaration on Food Security for comments
May – June 2022	- Hold a discussion of small working groups (representatives from PPFS, OFWG, ATCWG and HLPDAB) of Economies volunteering - Circulate the written draft to all Economies (PPFS, OFWG, ATCWG and HLPDAB) for comments.	Working on the draft text of Declaration on Food Security
August 2022	The 2 nd PPFS Plenary Meeting	Final draft text agreed
August 2022	Joint Meeting of PPFS, OFWG, ATCWG and HLPDAB	Present the agreed final draft text
August 2022	The Food Security Ministerial Meeting	The endorsement of the Declaration on Food Security

Other virtual PPFS Related 2022 Activities of Members

PPFS Workshops

Event	Date/Format
Workshop on “Sharing Good Practices on Sustainable Agricultural Development Through the Principle of Sufficiency Economy” (Organized by Thailand)	May 2022 - 2 days webinar (1-3 hrs.)
Webinar on Modernization of Food Storage Facilities and Logistics Capacity (Organized by China)	August 2022

PPFS Working Group Workplans

Attachment (To be completed)