

**INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF THE
MINING TASK FORCE (MTF)**

Recommendations by Independent Assessor	Comments from member economies and/or APEC Secretariat	Suggested Action to be taken by SCE or MTF	Proposed timeline to implement the recommendation by SCE	Agreement on the suggested action (Yes/No)
RECOMMENDATIONS TO SCE				
<p>Recommendation to SCE1. Consider reviewing the ranking of sustainable mining in APEC funding criteria for 2015 to enable MTF project proposals better access to resources.</p>	<p><u>APEC Secretariat</u>: relative ranking is considered each year when the funding criteria are set.</p>	<p>As per the recommendation.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	
<p>Recommendation to SCE2. The Secretariat continue to raise awareness in the MTF of APEC project funding processes.</p>		<p>As per the recommendation.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	
<p>Recommendation to SCE3. Consider further extending the MTF mandate for a period of four years (2015-2018), to allow the group to demonstrate an enhanced contribution to APEC priorities and goals.</p>	<p><u>APEC Secretariat</u>: SCE3 decided to extend the mandate for two years, to the end of 2016.</p>	<p>Extend MTF mandate for two years.</p>	<p>Immediate.</p>	
<p>Recommendation to SCE4. Consider issuing a supporting statement or policy guidance on best practice for APEC fora seeking financial support from non-APEC organizations.</p>		<p>As per the recommendation.</p>	<p>SCE2 2015</p>	

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Recommendation to MTF 1. The group should continue to raise its awareness of gender issues; and encourage involvement of women in all MTF activities.		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
Recommendation to MTF 2. Priority consideration be given to developing a joint CSR project in collaboration with ABAC and HRDWG under the Action Plan to be developed from MRM5.		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
Recommendation to MTF 3. Enhance efforts to raise awareness and profile of MTF activities – both within individual economies, APEC, and externally in liaison with the Communications and Public Affairs Unit.		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
Recommendation to MTF 4. Consider and identify the capacity building needs of the developing economy members as a priority.		As per the recommendation.	SCE2 2015	
Recommendation to MTF 5. Explore the potential for the APEC Policy Support Unit to assist with research and policy analysis on MTF priority issues/		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing.	

topics – e.g. development of APEC Principles for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).				
Recommendation to MTF 6. Recognize the value of continuing to foster good links and trust among MTF officials and seek to enhance opportunities for networking.		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
Recommendation to MTF 7. Consideration be given to establishing an Advisory Committee comprised of volunteers from the membership to assist the Chair in driving priority issues and project development.		As per the recommendation.	SCE2 2015	
Recommendation to MTF 8. Consideration be given to enhanced MTF engagement – including through increasing the frequency and scheduling of meetings.		As per the recommendation.	SCE2 2015	
Recommendation to MTF 9. Adopt a procedure whereby a contemporary policy topic is agreed in advance of forthcoming MTF meetings to facilitate an active ‘policy dialogue’.		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
Recommendation to MTF 10. Consideration be given to enhanced engagement and potential collaboration with APEC: EWG, ABAC, HRDWG and PPSTI as initial priorities.		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	

<p>Recommendation to MTF 11. Adopt an approach to efficiently explore the relevance and potential areas of cooperation with priority APEC fora.</p>		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
<p>Recommendation to MTF 12. Support and acknowledge ABAC initiatives to enhance mining industry cooperation in APEC. Including: formalizing an annual Private Public Policy Dialogue; seeking to broaden the ABAC mining membership; and identifying specific focus areas for funding and progressing joint projects.</p>		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
<p>Recommendation to MTF 13. Undertake and report on industry consultations within member economies seeking to identify areas of greatest need and shared priority and levels of support for MTF cooperation.</p>		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	
<p>Recommendation to MTF 14 Adopt an approach to efficiently explore the relevance and potential areas of cooperation with priority non-APEC organizations.</p>		As per the recommendation.	Ongoing	