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2019 CTI Pathfinder Initiatives

CTI Pathfinder	Lead Economy/ies	Year Launched	Update on Implementation (Indicate progress such as status of discussions and projects/capacity building initiatives)	Membership (as of November 2019)
Pathfinder Initiative on Implementation of APEC Policies on Trade and the Digital Economy	United States	2002	An update to the Pathfinder was presented at CTI3 2019. The Pathfinder was announced by APEC Leaders in 2002 in its Statement to Implement APEC Policies on Trade and the Digital Economy. As a broad range of work now takes place on trade and the digital economy issues in APEC, CTI members concluded that the Pathfinder has fulfilled its core objectives. While economies are no longer actively implementing the Pathfinder, it remains an important milestone in the evolution of APEC's digital agenda.	20 (AUS; BD; CDA; CHL; PRC; HKC; INA; JPN; KOR; MAS; MEX; NZ; PNG; PE; PHL; SGP; CT; THA; US; VN)
Pathfinder on the APEC Technology Choice Principles	United States	2006	An update to the Pathfinder was presented at CTI3 2019. The United States is consulting with economies to consider the applicability of the Pathfinder within APEC's work on the digital economy.	15 (AUS; CDA; CHL; HKC; JPN; MAS; MEX; NZ; PNG; PE; PHL; SGP; CT; US; VN)
Pathfinder to Enhance Supply Chain Connectivity by Establishing a Baseline De Minimis Value	United States	2011	An update to the Pathfinder was presented at CTI3 2019. The United States encouraged more economies to join the Pathfinder as a concrete action to support internationalization of MSMEs in the region and to make progress towards the Bogor Goals.	11 (BD; HKC; JPN; ROK; MAS; NZ; PH; RUS; SGP; CT; US)
Pathfinder on Permanent Customs Duty Moratorium on Electronic Transmissions, Including Content Transmitted Electronically	United States	2016	An update to the Pathfinder was presented at CTI3 2019 and CTI members held discussions on the Permanent Customs Duties Moratorium on Electronic Transmissions, in view of the possible lapse of the WTO Moratorium in December 2019.	12 (AUS; BD; CDA; CHL; JPN; ROK; MEX; NZ; PE; SGP; CT; US)

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Pathfinder on Inclusive Trade Initiative	Korea	2017	An update to the Pathfinder was presented at CTI3 2019. Since 2018, Korea has been undertaking work in the SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation (SCE) on Case Studies on Inclusive Policies and therefore it is not pursuing further development of the Pathfinder at this time.	12 (BD; CDA; CHL; PRC; HKC; KOR; MAS; MEX; NZ; PHL; RUS; THA)
Pathfinder on Building Blocks for Facilitating Digital Trade	United States	2019	The Pathfinder was presented at CTI3 2019. With 11 members, the proposal met the threshold to be fast tracked to full Pathfinder status. Senior Officials welcomed the granting of pathfinder status during SOM3 2019.	11 (AUS; CDA; CHL; JPN; KOR; MEX; NZ; PE; SGP; CT; US)