



APEC Secretariat Updates

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Project Session Dates for Project Session 1 in 2026

Concept Notes:

CN Submission Deadline*: Project Overseers submit Concept Notes to Program Directors (via email)	<u>Thursday, 5 March</u>
CN Endorsement Deadline All the Concept Notes are endorsed by all relevant fora (via email)	Monday, 6 April
CN Upload Deadline: Project Overseers upload the endorsed Concept Notes (on APAS)	<u>Tuesday, 14 April</u>
Responsible APEC Fora assess Concept Note eligibility and conduct scoring (on APAS)	27 April – 18 May
BMC in-principle approval of Concept Notes (via email)	28 May – 4 June
Project Overseers notified of funding results (via email from APAS)	Friday, 5 June

Project Proposal:

PP Submission deadline: Project Overseers submit Project Proposals to Program Director on APAS	<u>Thursday, 25 June</u>
Upon completion of endorsement, Project Overseers submit the endorsed Project Proposal on APAS	From Monday, 27 July
Project Overseers notified of Final Approval	July to November 2026 (1st batch: First 40 PPs) November 2026 to January 2027 (2nd batch: Remaining PPs)

* Concept Notes must be submitted at this deadline with minimum co-sponsors already agreed. (e.g., EELCER sub-fund: 4 co-sponsors)

Note: All submission deadlines are set at **12:00pm (Noon) Singapore Time.**

Project Session 1 2026 - Available Project Funds

Project Fund	Amounts in US\$
General Project Account (GPA)	\$ 484,500
TILF & Investment Liberalisation and Facilitation Account (TILF)	\$ 640,600
ASF Support Fund (ASF) General Fund	\$ 1,793,700
ASF Sub-Funds	
Human Security	\$ 377,000
Energy Efficiency and Low Carbon and Energy Resiliency Measures (EELCER)	\$ 1,203,200
Supply Chain Connectivity (SCC)	\$ 221,400
Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific and Global Value Chains (FTAAP and GVCs)	\$ 45,600
Innovative Development, Economic Reform and Growth (IERG)	\$ 222,600
Connectivity	\$ 163,000
Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)	\$ 177,900
Women and the Economy	\$ 350,400
Economic Development in Remote Areas	\$ 158,900
Digital Innovation	\$ 887,700
Marine Debris Management and Innovation (MDMI)	\$ 767,600
Strengthening Economic Legal Infrastructure (SELI)	\$ 791,700
Strengthened and Enhanced APEC Agenda for Structural Reform (SEASR)	\$ 548,700
Structural Reform and Sustainable Green Growth	\$ 692,800
Promoting Digitalisation for Green Transitions	\$ 305,200
Prosperity for Future Generations	\$ 300,000
Total Amount Available (GPA +TILF +ASF+Sub-Funds)	\$ 10,832,500

Concept Notes submitted to Project Session 1 2026

Proposing Economy	Project Title	Status
Veit Nam	APEC Workshop on Enhancing Energy Efficiency in the Aquaculture Sector	For EWG endorsement
Veit Nam	APEC Workshop on Facilitating Value Chains of Minerals for the Energy Transition	For EWG endorsement
China	Promotion and Deployment of High-Efficiency, Low-Carbon Room Air Conditioners in the APEC Region: Policies, Standards, and Best Practices	For EWG endorsement
Chile	Market-Based Approaches for APEC's Energy Transition: Enhancing Cooperation through International Carbon Markets	For EWG endorsement
Russia	APEC Workshop on Promoting Just Energy Transition	For EWG endorsement
China	Research on Policy and Planning Considerations for Integrating Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) with Renewable Energy	For EWG endorsement
Japan	Capacity Building Workshop for New and Renewable Energy Policy Phase 2	For EWG endorsement
Japan	APEC Workshop on Cleaner and More Efficient Operation of the Fossil Energy Industry 2026	For EWG endorsement

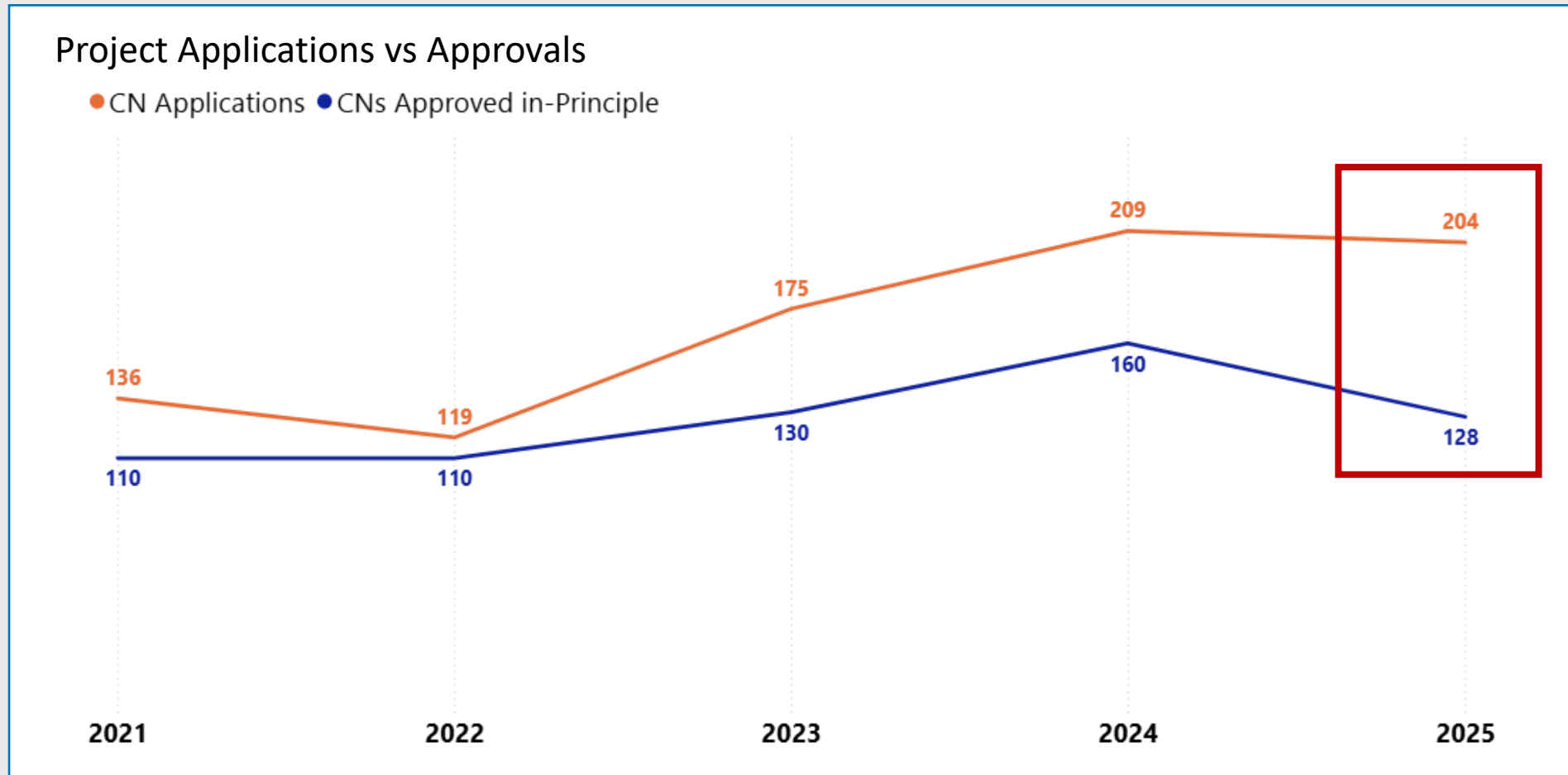
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Proposing Economy	Project Title	Status
Indonesia	Transforming Rural Energy Access in APEC Economies through Scalable and Community-Driven Micro-Hydropower Optimization Frameworks	For EWG endorsement
Indonesia	Modeling Energy Transition Policies through the Implementation of CCS/CCUS Technology at Coal-Fired Power Plants in APEC Members	For EWG endorsement
Indonesia	Improving Energy and Food Security	For EWG endorsement
(SCSC) China	Smart City Energy Infrastructure: Case Sharing and Standardization Research on the Full Life Cycle Management of Intelligent Thermal Power Plant Driven by Emerging Technologies	For EWG endorsement
(SCSC) Peru	Study and Workshop on the Harmonisation of Voluntary Standards for Green Hydrogen and Renewable Energy in APEC Economies	For EWG endorsement

Self-funded Projects in 2026

Proposing Economy	Project Title	Status
China	APEC Energy Think Tank Forum	EWG endorsed (EWG 01 2026S)
China	The Energy-AI Nexus: Strategic Imperatives for Energy for AI Infrastructure in the APEC Region	EWG endorsed (EWG 02 2026S)
China	Energy Storage Empowering APEC Economies to Build Energy Resilience and Achieve Low-Carbon Goals	For EWG endorsement
China	Long-term impact of the energy transition on energy access	For EWG endorsement
China	CCUS/CCS Enabling Clean and Efficient Fossil Energy Development and Utilization	For EWG endorsement

APEC-Funded Project Approvals (2021-2025)

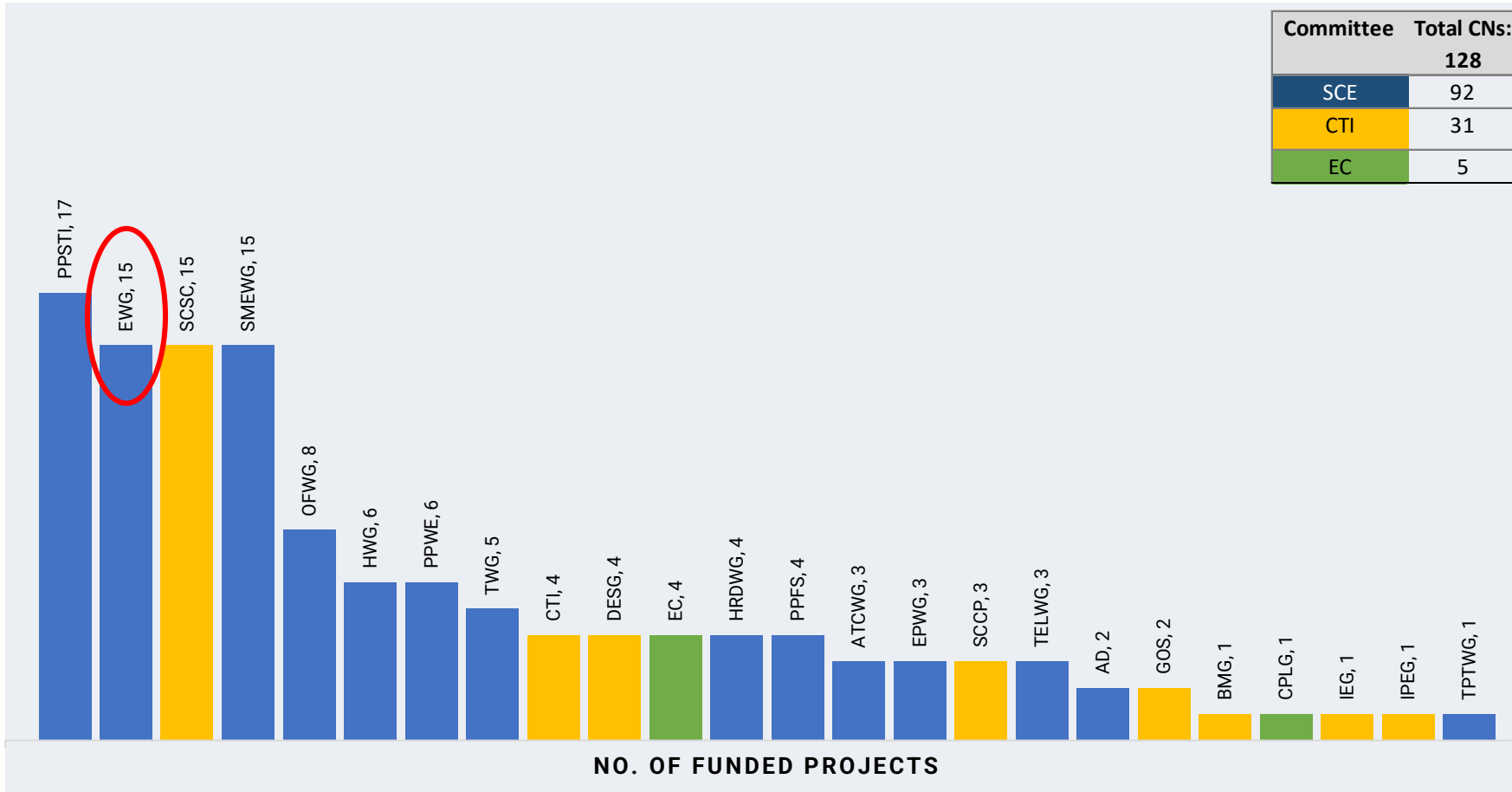


Note: **76%** of projects approved over these 5 years (2021-2025)

2025 APEC-Funded Project Data

Distribution of **128** APEC-Funded Projects across APEC Fora

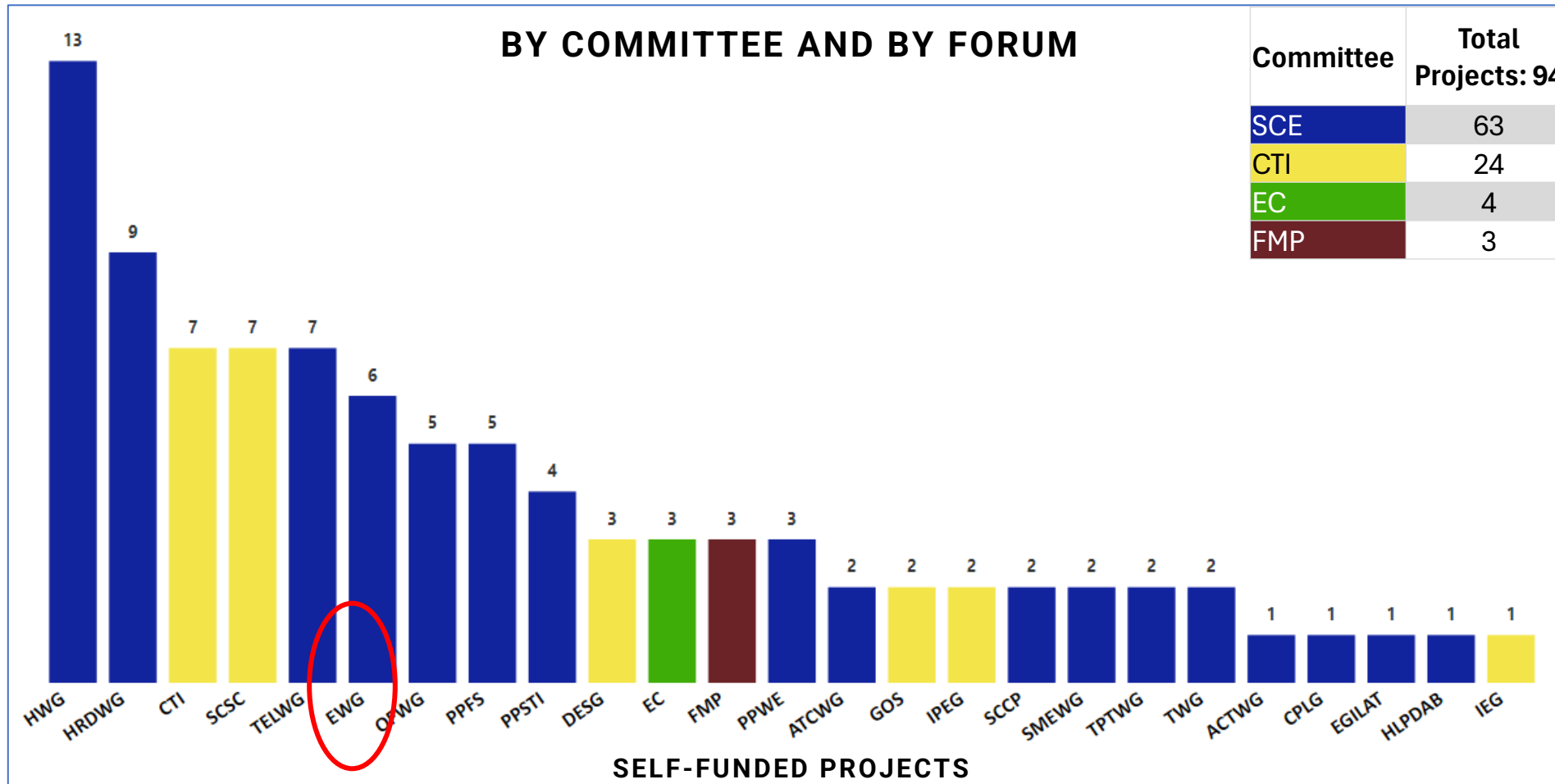
BY COMMITTEE AND BY FORUM



Forum	No. of Funded Projects
PPSTI	17
EWG	15
SCSC	15
SMEWG	15
OFWG	8
HWG	6
PPWE	6
TWG	5
CTI	4
DESG	4
EC	4
HRDWG	4
PPFS	4
ATCWG	3
EPWG	3
SCCP	3
TELWG	3
AD	2
GOS	2
BMG	1
CPLG	1
IEG	1
IPEG	1
TPTWG	1

2025 Self-Funded Project Data

Distribution of **94** Self-Funded Projects across APEC Fora



Forum	No. of Self-funded Projects
HWG	13
HRDWG	9
CTI	7
SCSC	7
TELWG	7
EWG	6
OFWG	5
PPFS	5
PPSTI	4
DESG	3
EC	3
FMP	3
PPWE	3
ATCWG	2
GOS	2
IPEG	2
SCCP	2
SMEWG	2
TPTWG	2
TWG	2
ACTWG	1
CPLG	1
EGILAT	1
HLPDAB	1
IEG	1

EWG Calendar of Events in 2026

Dates	Title	Location
31 March	Capacity Building Workshop for New and Renewal Policy (JPN: EWG 104 2025A) / "Renewable Energy Policies: Are we on the Right Track?"	Bangkok, Thailand
1-2 April	EGNRET 64 & EGEEC 66 Joint Meeting	Bangkok, Thailand
9-10 April	APEC Research and Workshop Program on Integrating Renewable Energy and Hydrogen Technologies for Low-Carbon Transitions (PRC: EWG 204 2025A)	Guangzhou, China
9 April	Restructuring of APEC Energy Supply Chains based on Intelligent Digital Technology (PRC: EWG 04 2025S)	Guangzhou, China
8-10 April	EGEDA Meeting	Guangzhou, China
April/May (TBC)	Oil and Gas Security Exercise in Malaysia (JPN: EWG 05 2025S)	TBC
20-21 May	APEC Clean and Low Carbon Hydrogen (CLCH) Annual Convention (JPN: EWG 203 2025A)	Hong Kong, China
9-10 June	9th Oil and Gas Security Network Forum (JPN: EWG 05 2025S)	Tomakomai City, Hokkaido, Japan
11 June	EGCFE 2026 Meeting	Tomakomai City, Hokkaido, Japan

EWG Calendar of Events in 2026

Dates	Title	Location
8-9 September	EWG 72	Beijing, China
10-11 September	16 th Energy Ministerial Meeting	Beijing, China
30 September – 2 October (TBC)	24 th APEC Workshop on Energy Statistics: Transportation statistics-energy efficiency indicators and new transport technologies	Tokyo, Japan
September	The 12 th Asia-Pacific Energy Sustainable Development Forum (APSEC)	Beijing, China
September (TBC)	EGEEC 67 Meeting	Guangzhou, China
September (TBC)	APEC Study on How Zero-carbon Industrial Parks Help With Energy Transition and Carbon Reduction in APEC Economies (PRC: EWG 205 2025A)	China, TBC
October (TBC)	2026 APEC ESCI Awards and Workshop on Promoting Good Practices and Recognizing Excellence in Energy Solutions (CT: EWG 201 2025A)	Taipei, Chinese Taipei
November	AI-Powered Energy for Future Cities Forum (APSEC)	Shenzhen, China
TBC	ER-TF 20 Meeting (TBC)	China, TBC

Fora Assessment and 2026 EWG Annual Work Plan

1. Fora Assessment for EWG

<Update of Terms of Reference and EWG Strategic Plan>

- Endorsed by EWG and SCE in December 2025)

- EWG
- EGEDA
- EGCFE
- EGEEC
- EGNRET
- ER-TF
- APERC
- APSEC
- ESCI-KSP
- EWG Strategic Plan for 2025 - 2030

2. 2026 EWG Annual Work Plan

- Endorsed by EWG and SCE in February 2026