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Projects Update

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Project Session 2, 2022 – APEC project funding results

Project Session 2, 2022	
Number of Concept Notes submitted	65
Number of Concept Notes approved in-principle by BMC	56
Approval rate (# of eligible Concept Notes submitted vs # approved)	86%

Project Sessions 1 & 2, 2022 (consolidated results)	
Total number of Concept Notes submitted	119
Total number of Concept Notes approved in-principle by BMC	110
Consolidated approval rate for 2022 (# of eligible Concept Notes submitted vs # approved)	92%

2021 Consolidated Figures (both Project Sessions)	
Number of Concept Notes submitted	139
Number of Concept Notes approved in-principle by BMC	110



Project Session 2, 2022

Available Project Funds

Project Fund	Amounts in US\$
General Project Account (GPA)	\$ 1,181,667
TILF & Investment Liberalisation and Facilitation Account (TILF)	\$ 1,060,236
ASF Support Fund (ASF) General Fund	\$ 1,705,136
ASF Sub-Funds	
Human Security	\$ 1,267,995
Energy Efficiency and Low Carbon and Energy Resiliency Measures (EELCER)	\$ 1,912,987
Supply Chain Connectivity (SCC)	\$ 873,775
Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific and Global Value Chains (FTAAP and GVCs)	\$ 1,260,582
Innovative Development, Economic Reform and Growth (IERG)	\$ 1,100,516
Connectivity	\$ 1,046,937
Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)	\$ 305,815
Women and the Economy	\$ 350,000
Economic Development in Remote Areas (EDRA)	\$ 521,369
Digital Innovation	\$ 1,492,802
Marine Debris Management and Innovation (MDMI)	\$ 296,341
Strengthening Economic and Legal Infrastructure (SELI)	\$ 620,000
APEC Cooperation on Combatting COVID-19 and Economic Recovery (CCER)	\$ 535,367
Enhanced APEC Agenda for Structural Reform (EAASR)	\$ 606,994
Total Amount Available (GPA +TILF +ASF Sub-Funds)	\$ 16,138,519



Project Session 1, 2022 – Projects in EWG

Project No.	Project Title	Proposing Economy	Fund Account	Amount Sought from APEC (USD)	Status
EWG 01 2022A	APEC Workshop on Sharing Experiences In Developing Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEP) To Reduce Electricity Consumption In Industrial Production	Viet Nam	EELCER	100,000	Approved / Implementation
EWG 02 2022A	Sustainable Mobility: Routes for integrating the Energy and Transport Sectors for Urban Cities	The United States	EELCER	100,000	Quality Assessment process
EWG 03 2022A	Regulatory/market settings to support greater electrical energy storage development for sustainable & socially responsible electricity sector CO2 emissions reductions in APEC economies	Australia	EELCER	57,000	Approved / Implementation
EWG 04 2022A	Data Driven Carbon Neutral Disaster Resilient Cities	China	EELCER	99,842	Quality Assessment process
EWG 05 2022A	Promoting Energy Modelling in APEC Region	Hong Kong, China	EELCER	15,750	Approved / Implementation



Project Session 2, 2022 – Projects in EWG

No.	Project Title	Proposing Economy	Fund Account	Amount Sought from APEC (USD)	Status
EWG 01	APEC Workshop on Sustainable Energy Transition: Opportunities and Challenges	Viet Nam	EELCER	100,000	Proposal endorsed by EWG
EWG 02	APEC Peer Review on Energy Efficiency (PREE) Phase 12	Japan	EELCER	100,000	Proposal endorsed by EWG
EWG 03	APEC Retro-Commissioning (RCx) Hub: Training and Registration Scheme	Hong Kong, Chia	EELCER	25,950	Proposal endorsed by EWG



Project Session 2, 2022

Dates

Key Dates for Project Session 2, 2022		
Internal Submission Deadline for Concept Notes	20 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit Concept Note to Program Director (PD) by this date (some PDs may set earlier dates) • Minimum co-sponsors agreed by this deadline • Endorsement of Concept Notes commences
Final Submission Deadline	8 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PDs submit endorsed Concept Notes to PMU by this date • Responsible APEC Fora assess eligibility and score Concept Notes • BMC makes final in-principle approvals
Concept Note Selection Outcome	12 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • POs receive advice of outcome • Successful POs commence preparation of their Project Proposal
Submit Project Proposal	12 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must submit to Secretariat by this date
BMC Approval of Project Proposals	October - December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final BMC approval (subject to forum endorsement and quality assessment by the Secretariat)



Promoting Project Quality in APEC – Tips for Forum Members

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- Review Concept Notes carefully to ensure that the project **does**:
 - Have a clearly stated Objective and capacity building aims
 - Align with the forum's Workplan
 - Align with APEC's mandate and current strategies (esp. the Putrajaya Vision). Consider 'why is APEC the best source of funds for the project'?
 - Identify a target group of beneficiaries to maximise capacity building impact and sustainability in participating APEC economies.
 - Check that the project does **not**:
 - Duplicate previous project work undertaken in the forum (but projects may build on previous project outcomes to advance a stream of work towards longer term goals)
 - Have Intellectual Property implications or liability or reputational risks for APEC (e.g. no medical testing or procedures; no participation by individuals under 18 y.o.; no promotion of products or services; no investment facilitation; no industrial design, development or manufacturing of prototypes, systems, processes)
 - Have more than 3-4 outputs listed.
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Some points to note in project implementation

❖ Reviewing Process for APEC Publication

- Submit the draft publication (e.g. Final Report) 8 weeks before the Project Completion Date together with a Publication Request Form;
- PO to consult with APEC Publication Guidelines, including APEC Nomenclature (e.g. NOT to use “country”, “nation”, etc), before the submission to Secretariat;
- Submission by PO → Check by PD → Review by Publication Unit → Forum approval;

❖ Non Member Participants (NMP) List

- Submit 4 weeks before an event;
if not possible, avoid a last-minute submission and secure sufficient time for forum approval;

❖ Project Completion Report (CR)

- Submit within 2 months after Project Completion;
- PO, not Contractor, is responsible for producing/submitting CR;
- Non-submission may affect all IEG members' next Concept Note submission.

Project Resources

Visit the updated **PO Toolkit** page on the APEC website:

<https://www.apec.org/Projects/Forms-and-Resources>

Visit the updated **Project Quality – Training and Guidance** page:

<https://www.apec.org/Projects/Project-Quality-Training-and-Guidance>

Note that **the Guidebook on APEC Projects** was updated in September 2021. Download **Edition 16** on the website for the current policies

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