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# UPDATE ON PROJECTS

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# Project Session Results, 2021

## PS 2, 2021 and Consolidated Outcomes

Project Session 2, 2021	
Number of Concept Notes submitted	74
Number of Concept Notes approved in-principle by BMC	62
Approval rate (# of Concept Notes submitted vs # approved)	84%

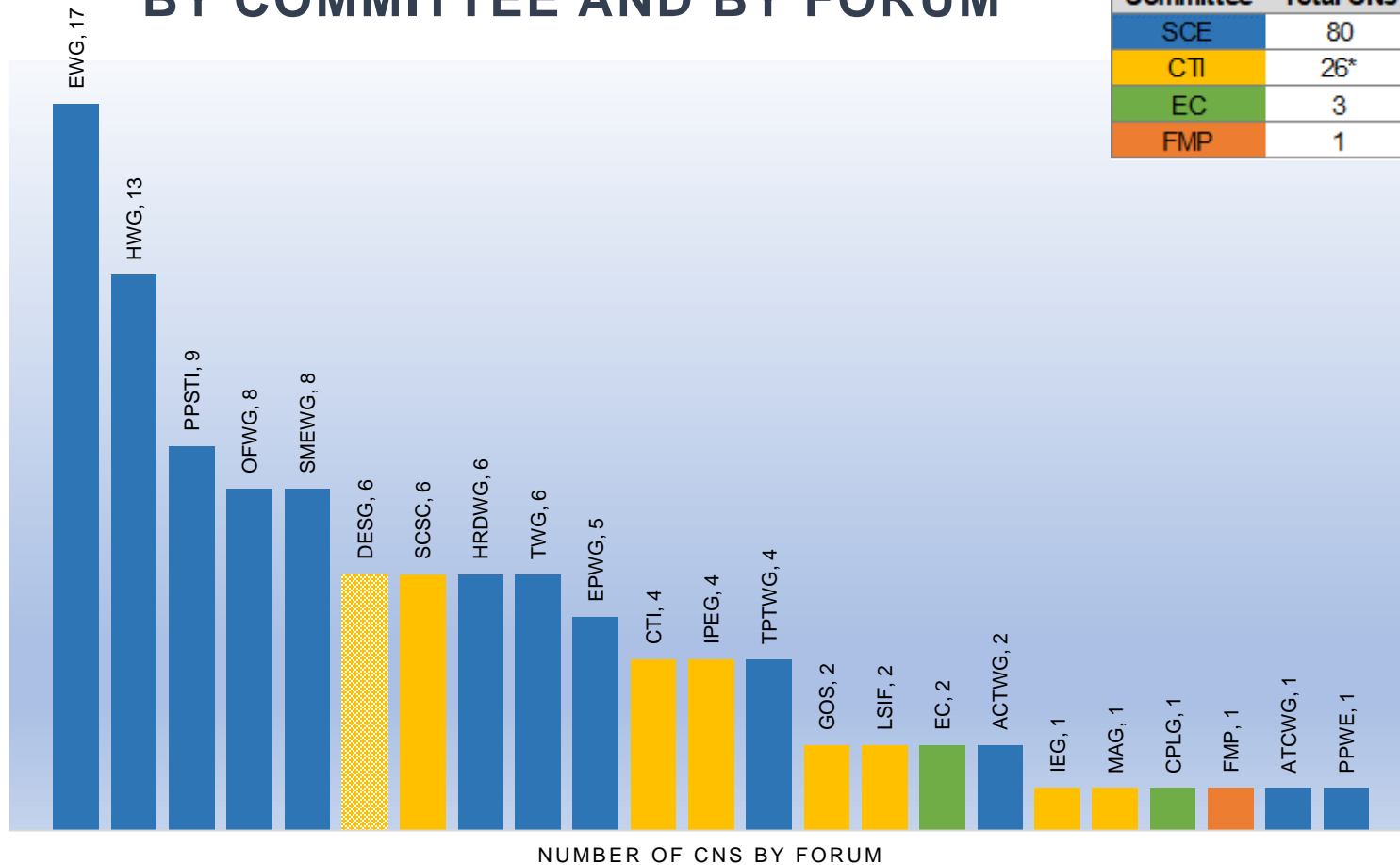
2021 Consolidated Figures (both Project Sessions)	
Number of Concept Notes submitted	139
Number of Concept Notes approved in-principle by BMC	110



# Breakdown of Concept Notes Funded in 2021

## Project Sessions 1 and 2, 2021

### BY COMMITTEE AND BY FORUM



Forum	Number of CNs
EWG	17
HWG	13
PPSTI	9
OFWG	8
SMEWG	8
DESG	6
HRDWG	6
SCSC	6
TWG	6
EPWG	5
CTI	4
IPEG	4
TPTWG	4
ACTWG	2
EC	2
GOS	2
LSIF	2
ATCWG	1
CPLG	1
FMP	1
IEG	1
MAG	1
PPWE	1

\*Including DESG projects as related to e-commerce and digital trade



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# Project Session 1, 2022

## Dates

Key Dates for Project Session 1, 2022		
Internal Submission Deadline for <b>Concept Notes</b>	10 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submit Concept Note to Program Director (PD) by this date (some PDs may set earlier dates)</li> <li>Minimum co-sponsors agreed by this deadline</li> <li>Endorsement of Concept Notes commences</li> </ul>
Final Submission Deadline	31 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PDs submit endorsed Concept Notes to PMU by this date</li> <li>Responsible APEC Fora assess eligibility and score Concept Notes (early Apr)</li> <li>BMC makes final in-principle approvals (late Apr to early May)</li> </ul>
Concept Note Selection Outcome	9 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>POs receive advice of outcome</li> <li>Successful POs commence preparation of their Project Proposal</li> </ul>
Submit <b>Project Proposal</b>	6 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must submit to Secretariat by this date</li> </ul>
BMC Approval of Project Proposals	July-Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final BMC approval (subject to forum endorsement and quality assessment by the Secretariat)</li> </ul>



# Project Session 1, 2022

## Concept Notes (CNs) endorsed by EWG

Serial No.	Fund Account	Amount Sought from APEC (USD)	Total Project Value (USD)	Project Title	Proposing Economy (ies)	Co-Sponsoring Economies (confirmed)
EWG 01	EELCER	100,000	110,000	APEC Workshop on Sharing Experiences In Developing Minimum Energy Performance Standards (MEP) To Reduce Electricity Consumption In Industrial Production	Viet Nam	Australia; Hong Kong, China; Japan; New Zealand; Chinese Taipei; The US
EWG 02	EELCER	100,000	100,000	Routes for integrating the Energy and Transport Sectors for Sustainable Urban Mobility	The US	Australia; Chile; Chinese Taipei; Hong Kong, China; Viet Nam
EWG 03	EELCER	89,000	142,000	Regulatory/market settings to support greater electrical energy storage development for sustainable & socially responsible electricity sector CO2 emissions reductions in APEC economies	Australia	New Zealand; The US; Hong Kong, China; Chinese Taipei; Japan; Viet Nam
EWG 04	EELCER	100,000	155,000	Data Driven Carbon Neutral Disaster Resilient Cities	China	Australia; Chile; Hong Kong, China; Indonesia; Japan; The Philippines; Singapore; Thailand
EWG 05	EELCER	91,442	160,395	Promoting Energy Modelling in APEC Region	Hong Kong, China	China; Australia; Singapore; Japan; The US; Viet Nam
SCSC	EELCER	99,306	99,306	Reaction to COVID-19: Strengthening Quality Infrastructure for Energy Efficiency of Lighting Products in Buildings in the APEC region (Initial Workshop)	Indonesia	Korea, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, Australia



# Project Session 1, 2022

## Available Project Funds

Project Fund	Amounts in US\$
General Project Account (GPA)	\$ 1,170,000
TILF & Investment Liberalisation and Facilitation Account (TILF)	\$ 721,598
ASF Support Fund (ASF) General Fund	\$ 1, 466,912
<b>ASF Sub-Funds</b>	
Human Security	\$ 729,233
Energy Efficiency and Low Carbon and Energy Resiliency Measures (EELCER)	\$ 682,696
Supply Chain Connectivity (SCC)	\$ 596,265
Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific and Global Value Chains (FTAAP and GVCs)	\$ 736,405
Innovative Development, Economic Reform and Growth (IERG)	\$ 572,152
Connectivity	\$ 755,887
Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)	\$ 109,765
Women and the Economy	\$ 350,400
Economic Development in Remote Areas (EDRA)	\$ 238,037
Digital Innovation	\$ 1,080,195
Marine Debris Management and Innovation (MDMI)	\$ 315,805
Strengthening Economic and Legal Infrastructure (SELI)	\$ 600,000
APEC Cooperation on Combatting COVID-19 and Economic Recovery (CCER)	\$ 531,160
Enhanced APEC Agenda for Structural Reform (EAASR)	\$ 448,196
<b>Total Amount Available (GPA +TILF +ASF Sub-Funds)</b>	<b>\$ 11,104,709</b>



# Longer-Term Evaluation of APEC Projects (LTEAP)



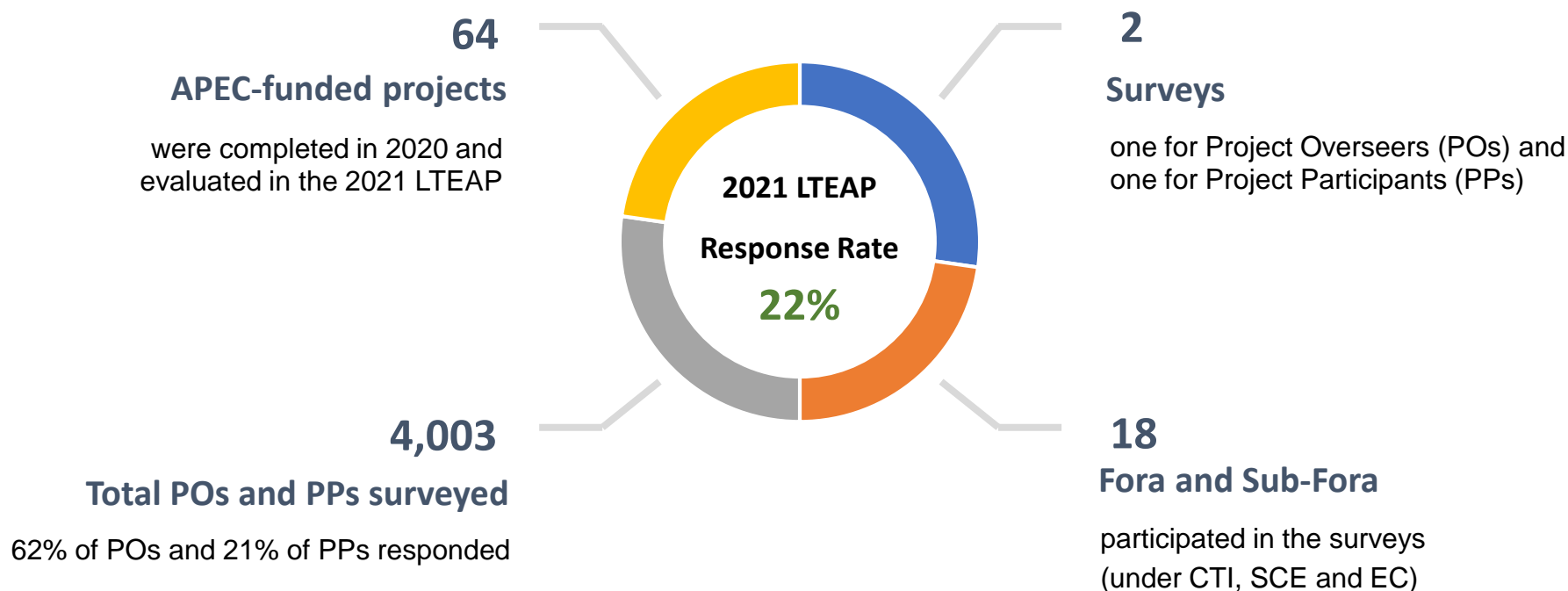
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# Longer-Term Evaluation of APEC Projects (LTEAP)

## 2021 LTEAP Survey

assesses the **relevance, effectiveness, sustainability** and **efficiency** of APEC projects  
6-12 months after the projects are completed



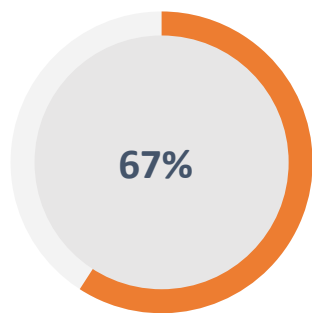
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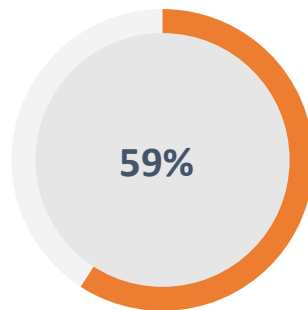
# Longer-Term Evaluation of APEC Projects (LTEAP)

Key results – Improved from 2020 ✓

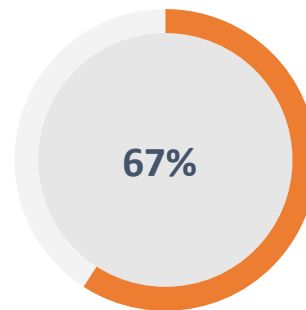
## Project Participants:



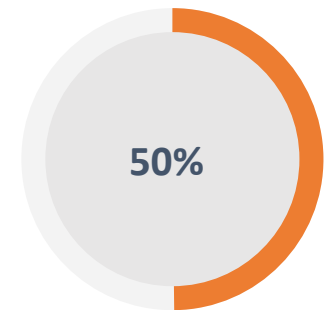
rated project theme or issue as a **'top' or 'important' priority** for their organisation or economy



**applied learning and resources from the project** in their workplace



**shared the lessons, information and resources** from the project, with their colleagues



reported that **changes in policies or practices had occurred** in their economies as a result of their participation

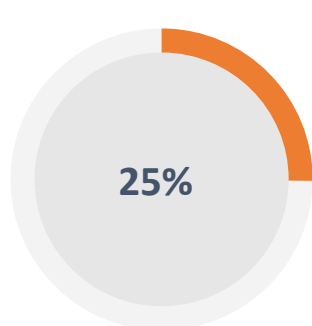


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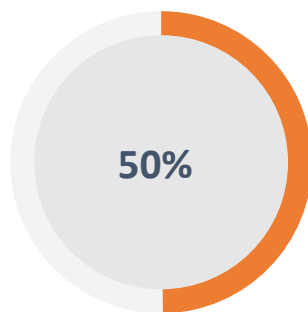
# Longer-Term Evaluation of APEC Projects (LTEAP)

## Key results – Requiring Attention ❌

### Project Participants:

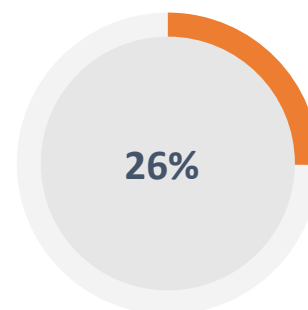


rated the project theme or issue as being of **little or no relevance to their work**



reported that **no changes in policies or practices had occurred** as a result of their participation in the project

### Project Overseers:



reported that projects implemented **were part of a series, or built on previous projects** – most were 'one off' projects



# Longer-Term Evaluation of APEC Projects (LTEAP)

## Key Areas for Improvement

The 2021 LTEAP returned similar trends and results to the previous three years.

The 3 key areas for improvement in APEC projects remain:



### More effective targeting of project participants

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Identify participants with the 'right' skills profile, role in organisation



### Greater application of project learning by participants at 'home'

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Promote improvements to policies and practices in APEC economies



### Increased participation rates

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Maximize capacity building outcomes



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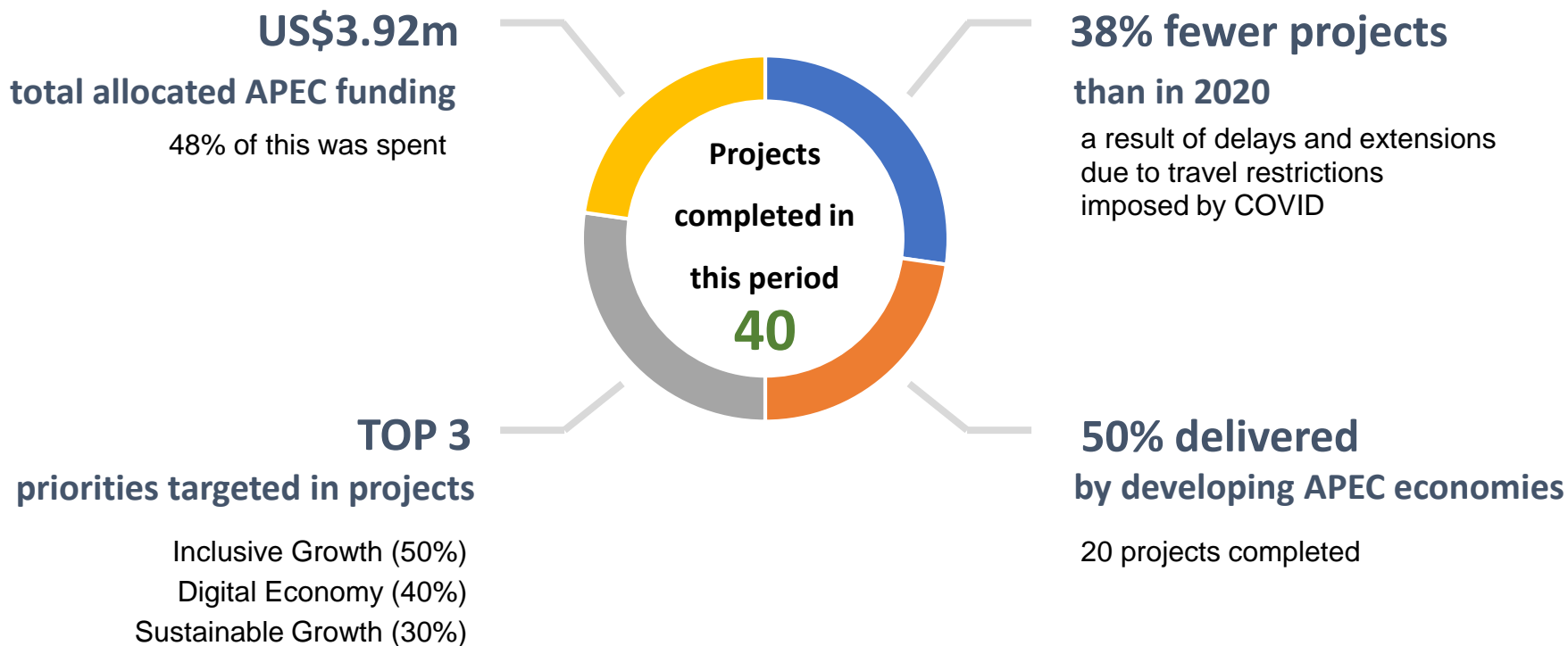
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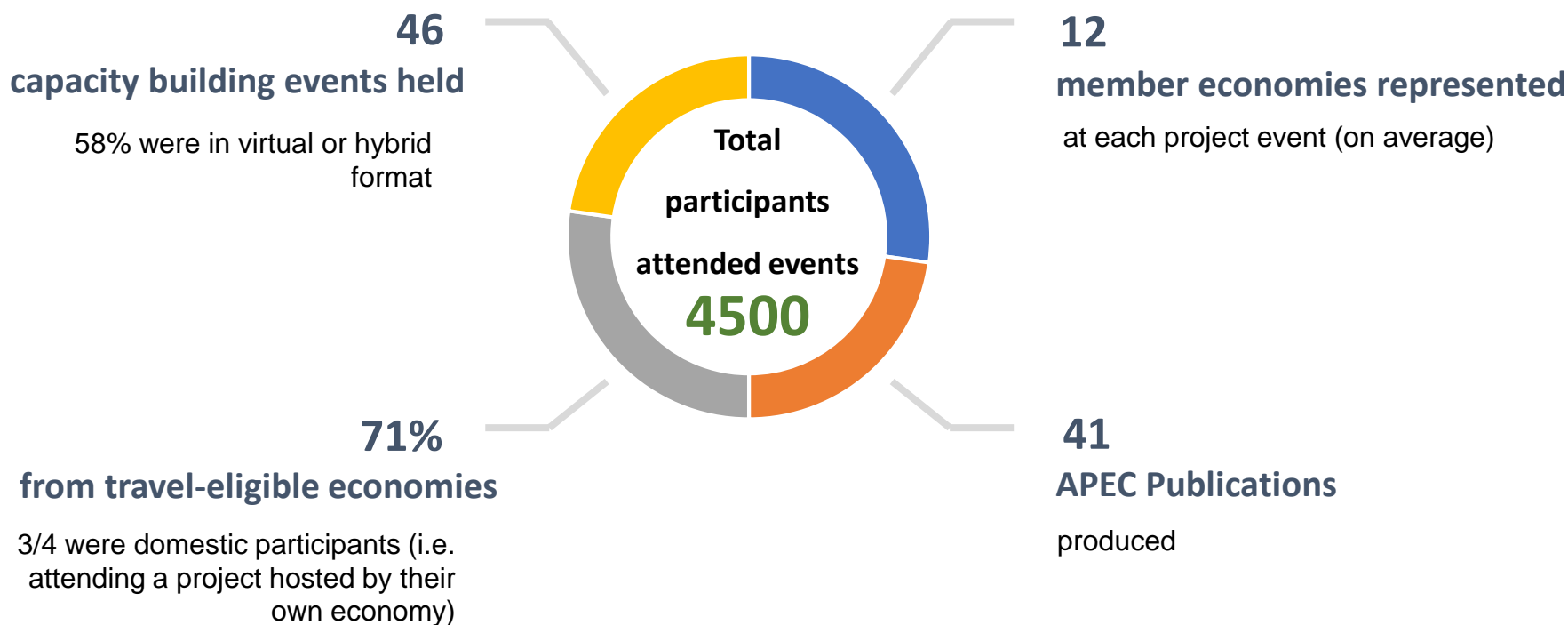
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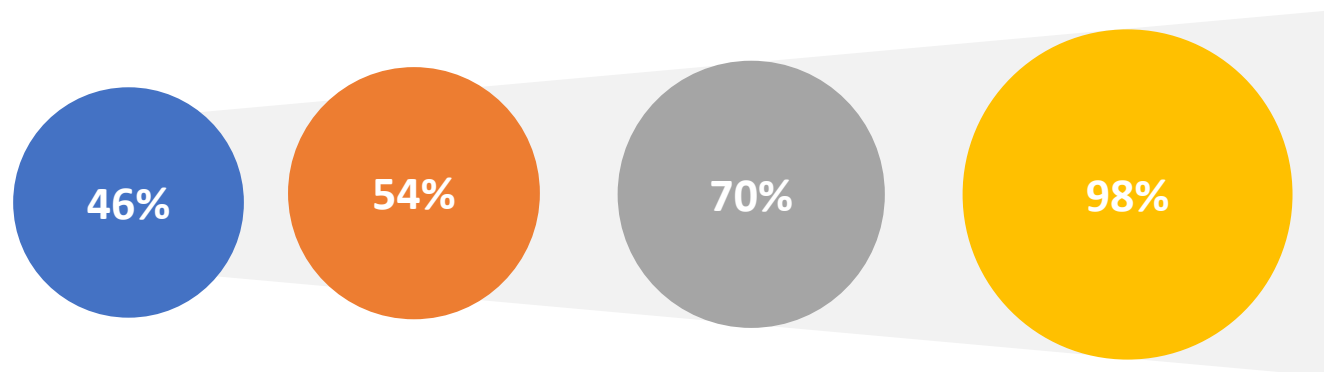
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## GENDER RESULTS



of total speakers  
were female

31% increase  
from previous  
year

of total participants  
were female

the first time females  
outnumber male  
participants

POs set targets for  
female participation  
of 30% or more

Nearly half achieved  
targets

POs reported  
gender-  
disaggregated data



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# 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:

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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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