

APEC Project Steps

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Projects are conducted by writing proposal to the APEC Secretariat in Singapore

- ▶ APEC funds about \$8 million/year of projects across all working groups
- ▶ In 2008, 120 projects were submitted for APEC support with 32 being from the Energy Working Group
- ▶ Proposals go to one of three funds
 - APEC Operational Account
 - The most general fund used to address APEC priorities
 - APEC Support Fund
 - Directed at capacity building in development APEC economies
 - APEC Trade Investment and Liberalization Fund (TILF)
 - Donated by Japan, and directed at projects directly related to trade, such a equipment standards

The BMC has will follow the new project approach for used in Session 2-3, 2010 projects to all three sessions in 2011

- ▶ Objective: Introduce Concept Notes as a tool to **de-link priority & quality**. Projects then selected on the basis of importance, not how well they are designed
 - Members assess priority
 - Secretariat helps proponents develop proposals to reach quality standard
- ▶ EWG will rank projects proposals at both the second meeting of 2010 and both meetings in 2011
- ▶ For the first 2011 session, Concept notes should be to the EWG Secretariat by October 25 ,2010



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Implementing APEC EWG Projects- Session 1, 2011

1. Propose concept at EGNRET meeting.
2. Develop two-three page Concept Note for submission to EWG for ranking by October 25, 2010.
3. EWG ranks the projects and submits the concept note to the APEC Secretariat
4. EWG Secretariat uploads the concept note
5. The concept notes are ranked from 1 to 4 (takes 3 weeks)
6. Full project proposals and QAFs are developed for top ranked projects, Secretariat will work with developers who have high priority ranked proposals but low quality
7. When satisfactory quality is reached, the Secretariat will recommend that the project commence
8. Proponents have until the next project approval session deadline to submit proposals



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Implementing APEC EWG Projects- Session 2, 2010

- 5.** When approved, project overseer develops request for proposal (RFP) based on proposal once official approval to start project is received.
- 6.** Let APEC Secretariat approve RFP, then either the Economy project overseer or APEC Secretariat sends out the RFP (1 month), allowing at least 1 month for bids.
- 7.** Obtain at least two bids, and chose the best bid, with concurrence of APEC Secretariat (4 months from approval).
- 8.** APEC Secretariat signs contract so work can begin (5 months from approval).
- 9.** Project is completed 1-1 ½ years from approval



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Conduct of APEC Workshops (1)

1. Review Guidebook on APEC Procedures and Practices (November 2007)
2. Obtain APEC contract for support services. Consulting bidding is not necessary if the contract is under US\$20,000
3. Identify workshop speakers
 - Obtain EWG approval for non-APEC speaker
 - Ask for waiver of government official in project proposal
4. Identify invited participants from travel-eligible member economies
 - Chile, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Peru, the Russian Federation, Thailand, and Viet Nam
5. Send proposed speakers and invited participants and a final agenda to Mr. Luis Vertiz at the APEC Secretariat for approval 1 month prior to the meeting



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Conduct of APEC Workshops (2)

6. APEC Secretariat will contact speakers and participants and advise them on the APEC travel procedures
7. APEC Secretariat signs a “travel undertaking” with speakers and participants
8. Speakers and participants are authorized to purchase their air-tickets
9. Distribute APEC project survey at the workshop
10. Develop APEC project completion report



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Rank 1 Projects: Projects essential to the furtherance of the goal of economic integration via free and open trade and investment (1)

▶ Regional Economic Integration

- Promoting greater convergences among economies in key areas of APEC's REI agenda, including services, digital economy, investment, trade facilitation, rules of origin and standards/technical barriers to trade
- Exploring building blocks towards a Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific
- Services
- Investment
- Trade facilitation
- Rules of origin
- Supply chain connectivity
- Intellectual property rights
- Information networks and data privacy



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Rank 1 Projects: Projects essential to the furtherance of the goal of economic integration via free and open trade and investment (2)

- ▶ **Addressing the Social Dimension of Globalization (Inclusive Growth)**
 - Activities which contribute to Inclusive Growth – including financial inclusion, SME development, employment creation, skills upgrading of workers, empowering women and the development of incentive-compatible social safety net programmes.

- ▶ **Safeguarding the Quality of Life through Sustainable Growth**
 - Implementation of the EGS Work Programme
 - Work on energy efficiency and renewable energy
 - Work on climate change mitigation and adaptation, including sustainable forest management and rehabilitation



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Rank 1 Projects: Projects essential to the furtherance of the goal of economic integration via free and open trade and investment (3)

▶ Structural Reform

- Implementation of LAISR and development of a post-LAISR agenda for APEC
- Implementation of the Ease of Doing Business Action Plan
- Actions that support implementation of G-20 framework for strong, sustainable and balanced growth
- Strengthening financial markets (including financial regulatory systems and capital market development)

▶ Human Security

- Food security
- Food/product safety
- Emergency preparedness



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