



**Asia-Pacific  
Economic Cooperation**

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## **Promoting Cooperation Through Language Education Among APEC economies**

Purpose: Information  
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**1. Background**

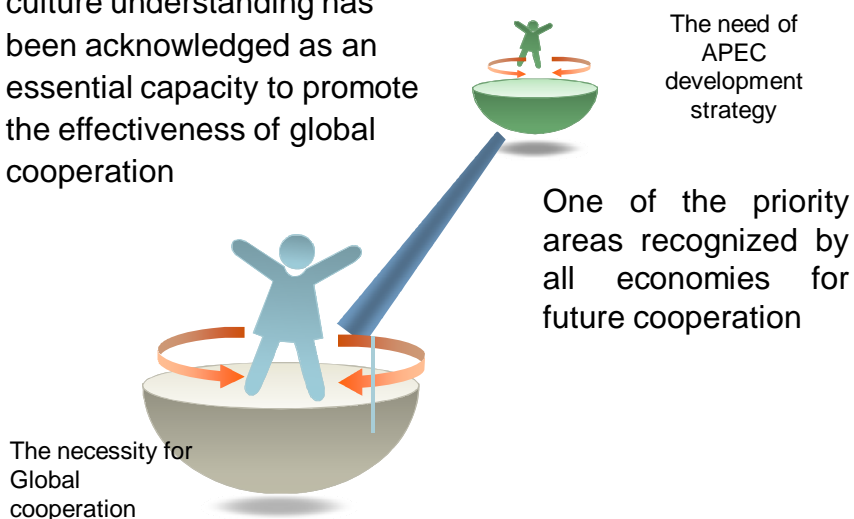
**2. Goals**

**3. Plan**



## 1. background

language proficiency and culture understanding has been acknowledged as an essential capacity to promote the effectiveness of global cooperation



## 2 GOALS

1. To establish the cooperative research mechanism by setting up the APEC LANGUAGE EDUCATION RESEARCH CENTER
2. To find solutions to common problems----such as the motivation for learning foreign languages, the standard and evaluation of foreign language learning and the culture infiltration in language learning.
3. To expand cooperation of language education, including sharing courses, staff training programs, cooperative study project, etc.

## 2 GOALS OF RESEARCH

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### 4. APEC annual report of Language Education

**“Language-Culture-Economy-Society”--- Collection of APEC Language Education research papers**

**APEC Language Education and Personnel Training Forum.**

**Data Base of APEC Language Education**

**Establish APEC Language Education Research Center.**

## 3. Plan

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### **Preparation:**

**first phase**



**2011.10 Feasibility study of international education of advanced language learners**

**2011.12: Expert consultation for suggestions for the research targets**

## 4 Plan of the research

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### 2. first phase 2012.02-2012.12

First phase



**2012.02-03: submit the official application and invite the APEC members to co-sponsor;**

**2012.04-05: identify the experts for the first-phase research and initiate the preliminary language education data collection; make and send out surveys addressing key issues; prepare to compile the yearly book of language education of APEC economies and collect relevant papers**

- **2012.06: start compiling the yearly book of language education of APEC economies; call for papers for Language, Culture, Economy and Society, the first volume of researches of language education of APEC economies, analyze the survey results.**
- **2012.09: 2012 Summit Meeting of APEC Language Education and Advanced Talents Training (meeting place: Beijing Language and Culture University)**
- **2012.12: revise the Yearly Report of Language Education of APEC Economies (the first volume of the yearly book) and establish the data base.**



