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Agenda Item: 15.1

**Progress Report on the Development of Green  
Technology Network for SMEs in APEC Member  
Economies: Toward a Sustainable Growth**

Purpose: Information  
Submitted by: Indonesia



**36<sup>th</sup> Small and Medium Enterprises  
Working Group Meeting  
Manila, Philippines  
14-15 March 2013**



The 36<sup>th</sup> APEC SME Working Group Meeting

**Progress On Green Technology Initiative:  
Establishing Green Technology Innovation Network  
to Support SME Development  
- Workshop Outcome**

Makati City, Philippines  
March 11-15, 2013

**APEC Workshop on the Development of  
Green Technology Network  
Bali, 5-6 March 2013**

- Attended by 30 participants from 10 APEC member economies, namely Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, the Philippines, Russia, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- Three expert speakers: Mr. Manaek Simamora of Indonesia, Dr. Jun Ichihara of Japan and Dr. Shih-Min Wang of Chinese Taipei and
- All participating member economies presented their experiences in the area of promoting green SMEs and green technology initiatives in the respective economies.

### **Outcome**

- Development of an APEC SMEs Green Technology Network to support SMEs:
  - to encourage business partnership amongst various green technology-based SME-related sectors; and
  - to facilitate access to the international market, source of financing and capacity building.
- Mission of the network is to promote and facilitate exchange of green technology and business among SMEs

### **Outcome**

- Economic growth and job creation in the APEC member economies can be bolstered by enhancing the competitiveness of SMEs through the promotion of the use of new technologies.
- Development of green SMEs will support APEC 2013 priorities: achieving sustainable growth with equity.

## Outcome

Participants agreed on the need to

- identify barriers to SMEs as well as to identify clear definition, scope of activity, working mechanisms and the approach of the green technology network before the establishment of such network.
- have a well prepared coordination and communication structure to make it effectively utilized by SMEs in the APEC member economies.
- have a network coordinator at Regional (APEC) level, regional-based, and national level.
- build upon the already available networks of SMEs in the Asia-Pacific and taking the full benefit of the already available knowledge assets into the APEC SMEs GTN.

## Outcome

The workshop also saw the importance of creating

- a short, medium, and long term Work Plans of APEC SMEs GTN
- initiatives such as **co-incubation** and APEC **Innovative SMEs Competition**.



## Outcome

In the short term, economies are encouraged to provide information on a list of

- 5 proven green products,
- 5 green tech-based SMEs,
- 5 proven green technologies, and
- 5 green research centers

to make them accessible to SMEs in APEC member economies. This information will be accommodated in the database of the APEC SMEs GTN.

## Outcome

- As a means to enhance the linkages of Green Technology SMEs in the APEC region, the workshop welcomes the forthcoming First APEC GTN Forum to be organized by Indonesia on June 5-6, 2013.
- The Workshop is expected to be attended by green technology-based SMEs from APEC member economies.
- It was also suggested that side events such as a green government procurement policy in APEC member economy and other possible topics to be agreed by the APEC SMEWG could be added value to the forum.

## Recommendation

- The workshop recommended that the aforementioned main points regarding the development and management of APEC SMEs GTN be reported to the 36<sup>th</sup> SMEWG Meeting to be held in Makati City, the Philippines, on March 13-14, 2013.
- Indonesia will prepare a concept note of APEC SMEs GTN by considering the main conclusion of the workshop to be distributed intersessionally to gain feedback from member economies for further endorsement by the SMEWG.
- The results of the intersessional works and the finalized concept note on APEC SMEs GTN will be submitted by Indonesia for consideration and endorsement by SOM3 and be reported to the SME Ministerial Meeting, with the view of proposing wordings for the SME MM Statement, AMM Statement and AELM Declaration.

Thank You