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IEG Convenor's Report to CTI – IEG Work Plan for 2014

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IEG WORK PLAN FOR 2014

This work plan for 2014 is based on SOM's decision on key priorities for APEC 2014 namely; (1) Advancing regional economic integration; (2) Promoting innovative development, economic reform and growth; and (3) Strengthening comprehensive connectivity and infrastructure development. IEG will continue to implement IFAP to improve the investment climate in the APEC region which was endorsed at AMM in Bali, and also organize such actions laid out in the APEC Strategy for Investment, a comprehensive package consisting of three pillars, and undertake projects and activities under these pillars.

Priority	IEG task/project
1. Supporting for the Multilateral Trading System	Analyze different multilateral fora including the Pacific Alliance and the TISA with the purpose of evaluating the benefits of multilateralism.
2. CAP Implementation and Review	<p>Continue to review the CAP with particular emphasis on "Transparency" and "Policy Dialogue" and implement relevant projects by member economies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guidebook on PPP Framework in APEC Region (Self-funded, Lead Economy: Indonesia) <p>Ensure sufficient priority to work on implementing the IFAP in 2014 including the areas of "Dispute avoidance and resolution", "Investment procedures" and "Constructive stakeholder relationship" and possible work on three pillars of the APEC Strategy for Investment.</p>
<p>3. Strengthening Regional Economic Integration</p> <p>(a) Exploring an FTAAP</p> <p>(b) Promoting Convergences</p> <p>(c) Investment</p> <p>1) Advanced Principles & Practices</p> <p>2) Facilitation</p> <p>3) Promotion</p>	<p>Report back to CTI on measures taken to implement the <i>APEC Regional Economic Integration Agenda</i> including:</p> <p>Review existing analytical work on investment issues relevant to a possible FTAAP and assess the need for any additional analytical work.</p> <p>Achieve greater consistency in key provisions of RTAs/FTAs in the region through capacity building projects.</p> <p>Report back to CTI on activities related to three pillars for the APEC Strategy for Investment.</p> <p>Implement projects by member economies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No on-going projects. New projects may be developed. <p>Implement projects by member economies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue to implement IFAP next steps. - APEC Public-Private Dialogue on Investment should be organized as direct response to the Leaders' Yokohama Vision in November 2010 to take actions laid out in the APEC Strategy for Investment. - Case Studies on the Best Practice of Sustainable Investment in APEC Region (CTI18/13T, Lead Economy: China) <p>Implement projects by member economies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research on Best Practices in Prompt Consideration of Investors' Complaints in the APEC Region (CTI06/13T, Lead Economy: Russia) - Enhancing the Investment Environment in APEC and

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	ASEAN Economies (Self-funded, Lead Economy: Australia)
4. Improving Business Environment	<p>Implement projects by member economies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Corporate Social Responsibility International Instruments for APEC Economies (CTI24/13T, Lead Economy: Chile)
5. Enhancing Regional Connectivity and Promoting Trade Facilitation	Collaborate with other Sub-fora/Working Groups under the coordination of the SCE in implementing the APEC Multi-year Plan on Infrastructure Development and Investment (MYPIDI)
6. Contributions to the New Growth Strategy	See 3. (C) Investment 3) Promotion.
7. Other areas including APEC-wide initiatives on security, Structural reform and gender	No activities planned.
8. Activities with ABAC and/or other external stakeholders	<p>ABAC is invited to every IEG meeting for exchange of views and discussion. Members are strongly advised to seek ABAC's views as appropriate in developing their project proposals. Project Overseers are encouraged to invite speakers and participants from business sector in projects.</p> <p>To continue cooperation with UNCTAD in development and implementation of cooperative projects, experts from UNCTAD are invited to make presentations on projects.</p>