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## Keynote Speech in the Priority of Blue Economy

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## Outlines



The Blue Economy

- Background
- The development path of Blue Economy in China
- The view of Blue Economy in APEC
- To jointly push the pragmatic cooperation of Blue Economy in the region





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## **Background**

The Asian-Pacific region jointly possesses the Pacific, which is the largest ocean in the world. The health of the ocean is important to:

- Food Security and Poverty Relief
- Sustainable Economic Growth
- Trade Facilitation
- Inheritance and Development of Traditional Culture



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*Asia-Pacific region, as the most active region in term of economic development and engine of world economy*

- *45% of the total population of the world*
- *57% of global GDP*
- *44% of global trade volume*



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## ***Development path of the blue economy***

- Shandong Peninsular in 2009:
 

It was first initiated to lead the implementation and demonstration, aiming at making a further exploration of the application of the concept of sustainable development of marine economy on a regional scale
- Guangdong, Zhejiang, Shandong, Fujian and Tianjin in succession.




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## ***A COMPREHENSIVE MANNER***

- Integrated Marine Management
- Ecosystem-based marine environmental Protection
- Prevention and Mitigation of Disasters
- Scientific and Technical Innovation
- Local Economic Development
- Enlargement of the Employment and the Livelihood





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## *CHINA DEVELOPMENT PATH ON BLUE ECONOMY*

- The integration of land and sea
- Implementation of ecosystem-based regional integrated management mode
- Marine science and technology as the first driving
- Paying great attention to the livelihood and wellbeing of the people



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## ***APEC OFWG'S VIEW ON BLUE ECONOMY***

For the purposes of APEC, the APEC Ocean and Fisheries Working Group views Blue Economy as an approach to advance sustainable management and conservation of ocean and coastal resources and ecosystems and sustainable development, in order to foster economic growth.



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- *reflects the willingness to achieve the blue growth which is ocean-based*
- *shows comprehensive consideration of the development of marine economy and the protection of the eco-environment*
- *embodies the need of both developed and developing economies, having served the core aim of promoting the economic growth of APEC*



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**BASED ON:**

- A breakthrough of the dilemma of the cooperation of blue economy under the APEC framework
- Certain influence over the formulation of the marine economic policies, industries development mode and the scientific research of the region and even of the world
- An event of significance of landmark during the process of the international cooperation





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## **PRAGMATIC COOPERATION:**

It is time for a new period:

- Actions of developing the Blue Economy
- Pragmatic cooperation
- promote the prosperity and development of the economy of the region



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## **RECOMMENDATION**

To strengthen dialogue and communication, share and extend the successful experience

- Best practice and approach
- Policy dialogue, periodical convening of the Blue Economy forum
- Case study and Model Programs





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To further strengthen the capacity building of the members and contribute to the mainstreaming of the Blue Economy

- strengthen the marine scientific research, monitoring and evaluation, the construction of personnel regime and its team of the human resource
- attach importance to the engagement of the private sectors in the development of the Blue Economy



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To formulate the cooperative initiative to reinforce the basis

- Strengthen the exchange of the techniques for the prevention and mitigation of disasters
- Enhance the establishment of the united response mechanism of emergency for major marine pollution and damage accidents



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- Strengthen the construction of the network of protected areas for marine biodiversity, implement marine spatial planning, endeavor to raise the capacity of the ecosystem-based integrated marine management
- Expand the technical aid to the small developing members, promote trade facilitation, enhance the formulation of the rational structure of the industries to achieve the sustainable growth of marine economy



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