



**Asia-Pacific  
Economic Cooperation**

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**2015/SOM1/001**  
Agenda Item: 2

## **Agenda**

Purpose: Consideration  
Submitted by: SOM Chair



**First Senior Officials' Meeting  
Clark, Philippines  
6-7 February 2015**

**ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION 2015  
FIRST SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING**  
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**WELCOME REMARKS** (09:00 – 09:15)

**FAMILY PHOTO** (09:15 – 09:30)

**DAY 1, MORNING SESSION** (9:30 – 12:30)

**1. BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 2-DAY SOM MEETING**

- *SOM Chair to discuss business arrangements and context of meeting*

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

- *SOM to seek adoption of the agenda*

**3. OPENING SESSION: LAYING DOWN THE GROUNDWORK FOR POLICY DIRECTION AND ORGANIZATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR APEC 2015**

- *SOM Chair to refer to the ISOM Summary Conclusions and to recall the key outcomes of the ISOM consultations of the APEC 2015 Priorities, and to confirm the establishment of the Ad Hoc Steering Group on the Internet Economy as discussed at ISOM. (Note: The Terms of Reference (TOR) and the structure of the Group will be discussed and endorsed in principle, and will be discussed further intersessionally and finalized and endorsed at SOM2.)*
- *SOM to confirm the establishment of the FoTC on Urbanization under the Accord on Innovation, Economic Reform and Growth (Note: This was not discussed at ISOM. The Terms of Reference (TOR) which include elements of sustainability and resilience will be discussed and endorsed in principle, and will be discussed further intersessionally and finalized and endorsed at SOM2.)*
- *SOM Chair to inform SOM on the Chair's instructions to committees, sub-fora and working groups to continue work on activities listed in the 2014 Tasking Statement as discussed at ISOM.*

**4. APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC)**

- *ABAC Chair to report ABAC's proposed work plans supporting the 2015 priorities*

**COFFEE BREAK** (15 minutes)

**5. SETTING THE SUBSTANTIVE AGENDA**

- **Committee on Trade and Investment**
  - *CTI Chair to report developments on the built-in APEC agenda, the 2014 issues, and the Committee's proposed work plans supporting the 2015 priorities, **particularly enhancing the regional economic integration agenda***
  - *SOM to comment on the CTI Chair's Report (PH SOM to lead discussion on the REI priority for APEC 2015)*

- SOM to discuss the proposed composition of the Task Force and other issues related to the collective strategic study on the FTAAP under CTI
- SOM to discuss other priorities, i.e. GVC, TIVA, Model E-port Network, Green Supply Chain Network, etc.
- SOM to discuss the preparations for the 2<sup>nd</sup> SOM Dialogue on RTAs/FTAs (PH to lead discussion)
- SOM to discuss how APEC can contribute to the implementation of the Bali Package and the 10<sup>th</sup> WTO Ministerial Conference
- PECC to report on the First Public-Private Dialogue on Services

**WORKING LUNCH (12:30 – 14:00)**

**AFTERNOON SESSION (14:00 – 17:30)**

- **Economic Committee**
  - EC Chair to report developments on 2014 issues, the built-in APEC agenda, and the Committee's proposed work plans supporting the 2015 priorities, **particularly enhancing the regional economic integration agenda and investing in human capital development**
  - SOM to comment on the EC Chair's Report (PH SOM to lead discussion)
  - EC Chair to report on the joint meeting of: Group on Services (GOS) – Economic Committee (EC) – Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC)
  - EC Chair to report discussions on the ANSSR review
  - SOM to confirm the schedule of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Structural Reform Ministerial Meeting
- **SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation (ECOTECH)**
  - SCE Chair to report developments on 2014 issues, the built-in APEC agenda, and the SCE Working Groups' proposed work plans continuing the work of APEC and supporting any of the 2015 priorities
    - ✓ PH SOM to lead the discussion on **"Towards an APEC Action Plan for Cooperation to Foster SMEs' Participation in Regional and Global Markets"**. SOM to discuss concrete work of SCE working groups in fostering SMEs' participation in regional and global markets.
    - ✓ SOM to comment on the SCE Working Groups' agenda as well as to discuss individual initiatives related to the APEC 2015 Priorities, **particularly on investing in human capital development and building sustainable and resilient communities**
    - ✓ ABAC-Philippines to present Sustainable Cities Initiative
  - SOM to note progress on the new capacity building policy to guide ECOTECH activities in APEC starting 2015
  - SOM Chair to solicit comments on the revisions to the funding mechanism for priority projects under all committees
- **Senior Finance Officials' Meeting Report**

Final Draft for Adoption, as of 5 February

- *SFOM Chair to share key targets for 2015 including developments on the implementation of the Multi-Year Plan on Infrastructure Development and Investment (MYPIDI) and other 2015 initiatives*

**WELCOME DINNER (1900 – 2100)**

**DAY 2, MORNING SESSION (9:30 – 13:00)**

## **6. ADDRESSING THE BIGGER AGENDA**

- **APEC Connectivity Blueprint (2025)**
  - *SOM Chair to give a brief summary of the FoTC on Connectivity meeting.*
  - *SOM Chair to discuss further or confirm the mechanism for discussing services under the FoTC on Connectivity or a distinct FoTC on Services*
- **The Leaders' Growth Strategy (2015)**
  - *PSU to report on the assessment of the Leaders' Growth Strategy*
- **Updates on other Key APEC Targets for 2015**
  - *SOM to note updates on the following Key APEC Targets for 2015:*
    - ✓ *Supply chain performance (PSU)*
    - ✓ *Ease of Doing Business (EC)*
    - ✓ *APEC List of Environmental Goods (CTI)*

**COFFEE BREAK (15 minutes)**

## **7. MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

- *BMC Chair to highlight BMC's priorities for APEC 2015*
- *The Executive Director to present Secretariat Operational Plan for 2015 for SOM discussion and endorsement*
- *PSU Board Chair to update SOM on its work program to date*

## **8. DOCUMENT CLASSIFICATION**

## **9. CLOSING SESSION**

- *SOM Chair to look forward to SOM2 to include discussions on the work agenda of the SOM-level FoTC on Urbanization and the Ad Hoc Steering Group on the Internet Economy, as well as related issues for the Ministers Related to Trade Meeting in Boracay.*
- *SOM2 will meet for two full days (20-21 May 2015).*

**LUNCH (13:00 – 14:30)**

**HOSTED TOUR (15:00 - )**