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**Trade Policy Dialogue on WTO-Plus Elements of
Regional Trade Agreements and Free Trade
Agreements
Arequipa, Peru
7 May 2016**

Trade Policy Dialogue (TPD) on WTO-plus Elements of Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs) and Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)

1400-1730 pm, 7 May 2016

PROGRAM

Aim

To encourage the negotiation and implementation of high-quality, comprehensive RTAs/FTAs that support the multilateral trading system.

Objectives

- To update participants on concluded RTAs/FTAs.
- To provide an overview of WTO-plus elements in recently concluded RTAs/FTAs.
- To identify new issues being addressed in RTAs/FTAs.
- To facilitate discussion of progressive RTAs/FTAs.

1400 Session One

Welcome and overview by Facilitator (5 minutes)

- Mr Heath McMichael, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia.

Presentations by APEC economies on WTO-plus elements of concluded RTAs/FTAs

- Canada-Korea Free Trade Agreement (20 minutes)
 - Ms Kim Girtel, Senior Policy Officer – APEC Global Affairs Canada
 - Ms Mookyung Cho, FTA Policy Planning Division, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy, Korea.
- ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (20 minutes)
 - Ms Wendy Matthews, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, New Zealand
- Australia-Chile Free Trade Agreement (20 minutes)
 - Ms Krasna Bobenrieth, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chile

Questions and Answers: 35 minutes

1540 Afternoon Tea: 30 minutes

1610 Session Two

Discussion on specific chapters of five individual FTAs (10 minutes each)

- Conformity Assessment (ANZTEC Chinese Taipei-New Zealand)
 - Dr Roy Lee, Chung-Hua Institute for Economic Research, Chinese Taipei.
- Government Procurement (Korea-Peru FTA)
 - Ms Mookyung Cho, FTA Policy Planning Division, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy, Korea.
- Intellectual Property Rights (Trans-Pacific Partnership)
 - Ms Teresa Mera, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism, Peru.
- Regulatory Coherence (Trans-Pacific Partnership)
 - Mr Rory McLeod, Chair, Economic Committee of APEC.

Panel discussion with questions and comments from the floor: 35 minutes

Summary of TPD discussion by Facilitator: 5 minutes

1730 Finish