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8.30 – 9.00 am	Registration and Arrival
9.00 – 9.10 am	Welcome Remarks
9.10 – 9.30 am	<p>Setting the Context for Women in the Workplace in APEC</p> <p>This session will provide an opportunity to detail efforts made by the U.S. and New Zealand, as well as how these initiatives fit with EC priorities.</p> <p>Tess Perselay, Gender Specialist, US-Support for Economic Growth in Asia (US-SEGA)</p>
<p>Session 1</p> <p>9.30 – 10.30 am</p>	<p>APEC’s State of Play: The APEC Women@Work Brief</p> <p>This session will provide an overview of the US-SEGA research into the landscape for women in formal employment in the APEC region and highlight where the region stands on key structural reform issues as they relate to gender.</p> <p>Lis Meyers, Gender Researcher, US-SEGA</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
10.30 – 11.00 am	Coffee Break
<p>Session 2</p> <p>11.00 – 11.45 am</p>	<p>Showcasing What Works: Public and Private Sector Examples</p> <p>This TED Talk style will feature examples from both the public and private sectors on how organizations are encouraging women to enter and remain in the workforce.</p> <p>Audrey Bélanger Baur, Economist, Economic and Trade Analysis, Office of the Chief Economist, Canada</p> <p>Karina Ramirez, Freeport-McMoRan</p>

<p>Session 3 11.45 – 12.45 pm</p>	<p>Opportunities and Challenges: Creating Enabling Environments for Women’s Access to Wage Employment</p> <p>This panel session will discuss different strategies to expand women’s access to wage employment, including focusing on tested measures on non-discrimination; equal remuneration; sexual harassment; and employment restrictions.</p> <p>Moderator: Nate Kline, Regulatory and Structural Reform Lead, US-SEGA</p> <p>Nafizah Nayan, Undersecretary of the International Relations Division, Malaysia</p> <p>Aida Cerda, Former Women’s Economic Rights Director, National Institute for Women, Mexico</p> <p>Chinese Taipei (confirmed, name TBD)</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
<p>12.45 – 2.00 pm</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>Session 4 2.00 – 3.00 pm</p>	<p>Incentives and Adaptions: Retaining and Advancing Women in Workforce</p> <p>This panel session will focus on how economies are working to retain women in the workforce throughout their careers. The session will focus on parental leave, flexible work arrangements, among other topics, to show different policy methods at either the economy or organizational level.</p> <p>Moderator: Ann Katsiak, Chief of Party, US-SEGA</p> <p>Naoko Ueda, Director, APEC Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan</p> <p>Graci Kim Cribbens, Senior Policy Officer, APEC Policy Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, New Zealand</p> <p>Dr. Monthip Srirtana, Director, Climate Change Research Strategies Center, National Research Council of Thailand</p> <p><i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
<p>3.00 – 3.30 pm</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>
<p>Session 5 3.30 – 4.15 pm</p>	<p>Breakout Groups: What Can the EC and APEC in General Do Next?</p> <p>This session will break attendees into groups to discuss how to mobilize the research and examples featured during previous sessions into action for the EC and APEC in general. The breakout groups will result in ideas for targeted capacity building programs for consideration by the EC.</p>
<p>4.15 – 4.45 pm</p>	<p>Reporting Out from Breakouts</p>
<p>4.45 – 5.00 pm</p>	<p>Wrap-Up and Next Steps</p>