



**Asia-Pacific
Economic Cooperation**

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Agenda Item: 1.3

Agenda

Purpose: Consideration
Submitted by: MRT Chair



Ministers Responsible for Trade Meeting
Viña del Mar, Chile
17-18 May 2019

**ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION 2019
25th MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRADE MEETING OF APEC**

AGENDA
Sheraton Hotel
Room: Bombal A/B
Viña del Mar
Minister +7

DAY 1: 17 MAY 2019

*-Kick-off Breakfast (08:00 – 09:00)
Ministers only, Sheraton Hotel, Room Vergara C-*

*-MRT 2019 Family Photo (09:00 – 09:10)
Sheraton Hotel, Terrace-*

1. OPENING SESSION (9:30 – 10:30)

- 1.1 Opening Remarks by MRT Chair
- 1.2 Welcoming remarks by H.E. Eduardo Frei, Ambassador on Special Mission to Asia-Pacific: “Our Joint Approach to the Asia Pacific”
- 1.3 Housekeeping arrangements and adoption of the agenda
- 1.4 SOM Chair’s report to Ministers

-Coffee Break (10:30 – 11:00)-

2. Advancing APEC’s support for the WTO (11:00 – 13:30)

- Discussion Points
 - WTO Director General Roberto Azevedo to update Ministers on current WTO discussions and the way forward.
 - Concrete initiatives that APEC can undertake in support of the WTO.
- Desired outcomes
 - Ministers to exchange views on ways in which APEC can effectively support transparent and non-discriminatory rules for trade.
 - Ministers to recommend concrete work APEC can undertake in support of the WTO.

- LUNCH (13:30 – 15:00) –

-APEC App Challenge Winners' Presentation (15:00 – 15:15)-

3. Advancing APEC's Regional Economic Integration Agenda (15:15 – 16:30)

- Discussion Points
 - Ministers to discuss the way forward for FTAAP.
 - Ministers to discuss Integration 4.0: APEC's role in adapting regional economic integration to the needs of the fourth industrial revolution.
 - Ministers to exchange views and discuss concrete actions APEC can take to advance a final push to the Bogor Goals before the end of 2020.
 - Chile to report on the outcomes of the Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue 2019, and Ministers to exchange views on the Post 2020 Vision.

- Desired Outcomes
 - Ministers to comment on how APEC should advance FTAAP work in relation to the Lima Declaration.
 - Ministers to discuss how APEC can support improved physical, institutional and people-to-people connectivity, as well as the opportunities presented by the digital economy to enable the flow of goods, services, and data across borders.
 - Ministers to provide guidance on how APEC can make strong progress in the “unfinished business” of the Bogor Goals, to build momentum towards the 2020 deadline.
 - Ministers to share views on the Post 2020 Vision.

-Coffee Break (16:30 – 17:00)-

3. CONTINUED - Advancing APEC's Regional Economic Integration Agenda (17:00 – 18:00)

-End of Day 1-

*- Ministers Responsible for Trade Welcome Dinner (19:00 – 21:00) -
Ministers + 4, Cerro Castillo*

DAY 2: 18 MAY 2019

*- Public Private Informal Breakfast (08:00 – 09:30)-
Ministers +1, Sheraton Hotel, Room Vergara C-*

4. ABAC Chair’s report to Ministers (10:00 – 10:20)

5. Strengthening inclusive and sustainable growth in the digital era (10:20 – 11:45)

- Discussion Points
 - Ministers to share views on how to harness the benefits of the digital transformation.
 - Ministers to discuss policies for enabling inclusive growth in the region, with a particular focus on women and SMEs.
 - Ministers to share views on the role APEC can play in fostering sustainable growth, with a focus on the protection of our oceans.

- Desired Outcomes
 - Ministers to note the importance of implementing the APEC Internet and Digital Economy Roadmap in a timely and comprehensive manner.
 - Ministers to comment on the draft version of the Roadmap for Women and Inclusive Growth on areas related to trade.
 - Ministers to discuss potential APEC work on marine debris and IUU fishing.

-Coffee Break (11:45 – 12:00)-

CONTINUED - Strengthening inclusive and sustainable growth in the digital era (12:00 – 12:40)

6. Adoption of the MRT Statement (12:40 – 12:45)

7. MRT Chair Closing Remarks (12:45 – 12:50)

*- MRT Press Conference (13:00 – 13:30)-
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-End of Day 2-