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Hague Conventions
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Program

8.30-9.00 a.m.	Registration
9.00-9.05 a.m.	Introduction to the Workshop Dr. James Ding, Deputy Principal Government Counsel, Department of Justice, Hong Kong, China
9.05-10.15 a.m.	Overview of the Apostille Convention and the e-APP (electronic Apostille Program) Dr. Christophe Bernasconi, Secretary General, HCCH
10.15-10.30 a.m.	Questions and Answers
10.30-10.45 a.m.	Coffee Break
10.45-11.45 p.m.	Implementation of the 2013 Joint Ministerial Statement in relation to the Apostille Convention and experience sharing by some APEC Members Moderator: Dr. James Ding, Deputy Principal Government Counsel, Department of Justice, Hong Kong, China Panel of Experts: Mr. Siegfred T. Masangkay, Acting Director for Authentication, Office of Consular Affairs, Department of Foreign Affairs, Philippines

	<p>Dr. Nguyen Thanh Tu, Deputy Director General of International Law Department, Ministry of Justice, Viet Nam and Mr. Vi Hoang Chung, Deputy Chief, Legal Section, Consular Department, Consular Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Viet Nam</p> <p>Ms. Shannan Wong, Acting Team Leader, Authentication Unit, Department of Internal Affairs Te Tari Taiwhenua, New Zealand</p>
11.45-12.00 p.m.	Questions and Answers
12.00-1.30 p.m.	Lunch (Sunshine Café, Lobby of Block A, Beijing Hotel)
1.30-2.50 p.m.	<p>Introduction to the Service Convention, Evidence Convention, and Choice of Court Convention</p> <p>Dr. Christophe Bernasconi, Secretary General, HCCH</p>
2.50-3.10 p.m.	Questions and Answers
3.10-3.30 p.m.	Coffee Break
3.30-5.00 p.m.	<p>Experience of APEC members in different regions</p> <p>Moderator: Prof. Anselmo Reyes, Representative of HCCH Asia-Pacific Regional Office</p> <p>Panel of Experts:</p> <p>Ms Zhiying Li, Official, International Cooperation Centre, Department of Judicial Assistance and Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Justice, China</p> <p>Mr. William Fritzlen, Attorney Adviser, Department of State, USA</p> <p>Mr. Ignacio Goicoechea, Representative, HCCH Latin America Regional Office – <i>presentation by video link</i></p>
5.00-5.20 p.m.	Questions and Answers
5.20-5.50 p.m.	<p>Conclusions and Recommendations</p> <p>Prof. Anselmo Reyes, Representative of HCCH Asia-Pacific Regional Office</p>
5.50-6.00 pm	<p>Closing</p> <p>Dr. James Ding, Deputy Principal Government Counsel, Department of Justice, Hong Kong, China</p>