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Work Program	Actions Required	Responsibility	Timeline
Multilateral Trading System			
Negotiations in the WTO/DDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain committed to strengthening of the multilateral trading system as embodied in the WTO. 	Economies Ministers Geneva Caucus	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reaffirm commitment to achieving successful outcomes at WTO MC9 in Bali and instruct negotiators to re-double efforts to complete negotiations on trade facilitation, some elements of agriculture and development, including issues of interest to LDCs before MC9. 	Economies Ministers Geneva Caucus	Dec 2013
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to build on the Bali package to achieve the full conclusion of the DDA and continue the negotiations to address the remaining DDA issues post-Bali while continuing to respect the Doha mandate and its development dimension. 	Economies Ministers Geneva Caucus	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work towards swift conclusion of negotiations to expand product coverage of the WTO Information Technology Agreement (ITA) before MC9, and also seek expanded membership of the ITA. 	Economies Geneva Caucus	Dec 2013
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to promoting green growth and seek practical, development-supportive, and trade-enhancing solutions to address global environmental challenges. 	Economies, Ministers, SOM CTI	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to explore opportunities in the WTO to build on APEC's commitment to reduce tariffs on the APEC List of Environmental Goods by the end of 2015. 	Economies, Geneva Caucus	2014, 2015
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to seek means of ensuring effective integration of developing economies into the multilateral trading system and to equally benefit from global trade this initiative. 	Economies	Ongoing
Resisting Protectionism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> reaffirm commitment to roll back protectionist and trade-distorting measures, resist inward looking policies and continue to exercise maximum restraint in implementing measures that may further hinder world economic recovery and expansion of international trade. 	Economies	2013-2016

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Committing to playing a leading role in the global economic recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work together to build an open economy that is based on innovation, interconnected growth and shared interests and achieve robust, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth in the Asia-Pacific region Promote action to change the region's growth model and to advance economic restructuring, including but not limited to, structural reform, APEC growth strategy, urbanization, innovation, and food security. 	Economies SOM, SCE,EC, CTI, PSU	2014
		Economies SOM,FMM,FDM,FSOM SCE,EC, CTI, PPSTI, ATCWG, PPFs, related Working Groups, PSU	2014
Financial Stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to implementing prudent and responsible macroeconomic policies, promote sustainable and inclusive growth, maintain economic and financial stability in the region, and prevent negative spillover effects. Work to achieve stronger and sustainable recovery by, among others, ensuring fiscal sustainability, building human capacity through education and training, boosting domestic sources of growth, increasing domestic savings, providing sources of trade financing and enhancing competitiveness. Encourage financial institutions to enhance trade financing and continue to support trade in the Asia-Pacific region. 	Economies, FMM, FDM SFOM, SOM	2014
		Economies, FMM, FDM SFOM, SOM	2014
		Economies, FMM, FDM SFOM, SOM	2014
Bogor Goals			
Bogor Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain committed to achieving the Bogor Goals of free and open trade and investment by 2020. Instruct officials to review in 2014, progress towards the Bogor Goals by providing complete information in the Individual Action Plans as directed by the Bogor Goals Progress Report Guidelines endorsed in 2011. Continue economies' efforts towards ensuring resiliency, inclusive growth, connectivity, equity and sustainability (RICES) under the Bogor Goals. 	Economies SOM/CTI	On-going till 2020
		Economies SOM/CTI	2014
Trade and Investment Liberalization, Regional Economic Integration			
Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP) and Addressing Next	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reaffirm commitment to achieving an FTAAP and continue working towards its realization by providing leadership and intellectual input into the process of its development. 	SOM, Economies CTI	2014 and ongoing

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Generation Trade and Investment Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play an important role in coordinating information sharing, transparency, and capacity building. Conduct a policy dialogue on regional RTAs/FTAs and enhance communication among regional RTAs/FTAs, as well as increase the capacity of APEC economies to engage in substantive negotiations. 	SOM, Economies CTI	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advance actions to address the 2011 and 2012 next generation trade and investment issues, including by finalizing the APEC Innovation and Trade Implementation Practices as soon as possible. Identifying additional next generation trade and investment issues for work in 2014 and beyond. 	SOM, Economies CTI	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advance the Regional Economic Integration (REI) Capacity-building Needs Initiative (CBNI) Action Plan Framework including in the areas of non-conforming measures, government procurement, safeguards, and dispute settlement proceedings, towards realizing an FTAAP. 	CTI	2014
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue ongoing work to increase the transparency of services trade-related regulations as well as identify good practices to facilitate services trade and investment and foster the development of open services markets. 	CTI/GOS	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage further development of the APEC Services Trade Access Requirements (STAR) Database. 	CTI/GOS	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage further engagement between government, private sector and academia to address impediments to services trade growth in the Asia-Pacific region, including through conducting public-private dialogues in the future. 	CTI/GOS	2014
Facilitating Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage economies to strengthen ways and means to increase investment flows and maintain economic growth in the Asia-Pacific including implementation of the APEC Investment Facilitation Action Plan (IFAP) and advancing Public-Private Dialogue on Investment. 	Economies CTI/IEG	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage officials to work with the private sector to build and improve upon Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) practices and sustainable investment. 	CTI/IEG	2014
Promoting Green Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus capacity building efforts needed for economies to advance implementation of the APEC Leaders' commitment to reduce tariffs on the 54 products in the APEC List of Environmental Goods to 5% or less by 2015. 	Economies, SOM, CTI, SCE	2014-2015

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch the new APEC Public-Private Partnership on Environmental Goods and Services (PPEGS) as a platform for enhanced dialogue in this sector; undertake the first meeting of the PPEGS and the dialogue on clean and renewable energy in 2014. • Commit to strengthening regional cooperation on trade and environmental matters in the region and to share best practice for RTAs in this area. • Carry out a PSU study to explore trade in goods which contribute to sustainable and inclusive growth through rural development and poverty alleviation. 	CTI, SOM Economies, Ministers, SOM CTI SOM, CTI, PSU	2014 2014 2014
Automotive Dialogue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop ways to facilitate trade and investment in green automotive technologies. 	CTI/AD	2014
Life Sciences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to align and strengthen regulatory procedures for medical products (both drugs and devices) according to international best practices; promote regulatory sciences through the establishment of an Innovative Center of Excellence for the evaluation of multi-regional clinical trials, partnering with the World Health Organization (WHO) on the development of a Good Review Practices document and implement the multi-year roadmap on medical product quality and supply chain integrity. 	CTI/LSIF	2014
Chemical Dialogue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take forward the Chemical Regulator's Forum Action Plan for 2014 to 2015, work on regulatory cooperation and convergence; participate in the establishment of the global non mandatory list of chemicals classified according to the Global Harmonized System of classification and labeling of chemicals (GHS) lead by UN Sub-Committee of Experts on GHS; strengthen industry's role as an innovative solutions provider; and chemical product stewardship, safe use and sustainability. 	CTI/CD	2014
Promoting Connectivity			
APEC Framework On Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a blueprint based on agreed benchmarks or targets, detailing areas for multi-year cooperation and activities towards a seamlessly and comprehensively connected and integrated Asia Pacific, and establish a timeframe for regular reviews of achievements. The 	SOM, Economies	2014

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	blueprint will include physical, institutional and people-to-people connectivity elements.		
Physical Connectivity			
Promoting Infrastructure Development and Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement capacity building activities on the 4 workstreams under the APEC Multi-Year Plan on Infrastructure Development and Investment, to promote sustainable and resilient infrastructure development and investment: <p>Work-stream 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work to foster a business friendly environment for infrastructure investment and development, through a solid regulatory framework that minimizes uncertainty and maximizes transparency and predictability. <p>Work-stream 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work to develop or to refine existing integrated planning mechanisms. <p>Work-stream 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work to develop government capacity to identify and generate a pipeline of bankable infrastructure projects. <p>Work-stream 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work to develop or further improve financing and funding environment to encourage long term investors. Establish a pilot Public Private Partnership (PPP) Centre in Indonesia and further develop an APEC PPP Experts Advisory Panel to assess infrastructure projects to receive private finance and guide the successful execution of PPP projects. 	<p>SOM, SFOM, Economies</p> <p>Economies, IEG, EC, SOM, SFOM</p> <p>Economies, IEG, EC, SOM , SFOM</p> <p>Economies, IEG, EC, SOM, SFOM</p> <p>FMM, SFOM</p> <p>Economies, Indonesia, SFOM</p>	<p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p>
Transport and Transport Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advance logistics and transport facilitation and further collaboration by relevant fora in APEC to promote well-designed, sustainable and resilient transportation infrastructure, as well as convenient, efficient, safe, secure, and sustainable transport in the region. 	SOM, TPT WG, CTWG	2014
Institutional Connectivity			
Supply Chain Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accelerate work to achieve a 10% improvement in supply-chain performance by 2015 in terms of time, cost, and uncertainty, while taking into consideration individual economy's circumstances, 	Economies, CTI/MAG, SCSC, SCCP, ECSG	Towards 2015

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	<p>including by advancing the systematic approach to improving supply chain performance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete diagnostic reports for all eight Supply Chain Connectivity Framework Action Plan choke points; Develop targeted and focused capacity-building plan to assist economies, particularly developing economies, to implement their trade facilitation and supply chain commitments and overcome specific obstacles in enhancing supply chain performance. • Encourage officials to explore what more can be done to facilitate mutual compatibility amongst data standards frameworks, and the compatibility of economies' frameworks with the use of global data standards • Establish the APEC Trade and Investment Liberalization Sub-Fund on Supply Chain Connectivity and encourage contributions of necessary resources to execute this capacity-building plan. • Expand trade routes and corridors, and strengthen regional quality transportation networks, including roads, railroads, ports and airports; taking into account the efforts to synergize APEC works with the existing sub-regional frameworks and plans. 	<p>TPTWG, EWG, , SMEWG, TELWG</p> <p>Economies SOM, CTI/MAG, SCSC, SCCP, ECSG TPTWG, EWG, , SMEWG, TELWG</p> <p>Economies, SOM, CTI</p> <p>Economies, SOM CTI</p> <p>SOM, Economies CTI, TPT WG</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advance cross border energy networks and interconnections; achieve universal and high-speed broadband access. 	<p>SOM, Economies TEL WG, ECSG</p>	<p>2014</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote global value chain development and cooperation in APEC region on the basis of previous work on connectivity. 	<p>Economies, SOM CTI</p>	<p>2014</p>
<p>Advancing Regulatory Coherence and Cooperation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance regulatory coherence and cooperation and strengthen the implementation of good regulatory practices. • Continue to progress the 2011 commitment to strengthen implementation of good regulatory practice by ensuring internal coordination of rule-making, assessing the impact of regulations, and conducting public consultations. • Carry out capacity-building and information sharing activities on voluntary basis, taking into account different economies' circumstances; and report on progress in 2014 and 2015. • Update the "Baseline Study of Good Regulatory Practices in APEC Member Economies. 	<p>CTI/SCSC, EC</p> <p>SOM, EC, CTI/SCSC</p> <p>SOM, EC, CTI/SCSC</p> <p>SOM EC, CTI/SCSC</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>AMM 2014 AMM 2015</p> <p>AMM 2014 AMM 2015</p> <p>By SOM 3 2015</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore the possibility of using additional tools to strengthen implementation of good regulatory practices, including single on-line locations for regulatory information, prospective regulatory planning, including regulatory agendas, and retrospective reviews of existing regulations. Instruct officials to develop capacity-building programs to assist APEC economies in improving their understanding on these tools. 	SOM Economies CTI/SCSC, EC	2014
APEC New Strategy for Structural Reform (ANSSR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advance the 2010 APEC New Strategy for Structural Reform (ANSSR), including through sharing best practice. Instruct officials to build more effective and targeted capacity-building initiatives to assist economies to achieve their individual ANSSR targets by the end of 2015. 	Economies, SOM EC, HRDWG, SMEWG, PPWE, SFOM	Towards 2015
Ease of Doing Business (EoDB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue work to make doing business in the APEC region cheaper, faster and easier to do business by 2015. Continue capacity-building activities to assist economies achieve the aspirational goal of a 25 % improvement in EoDB by 2015. Continue exploring implementation of a one stop shop for online transactions, provide procedures and services to open a business and other procedures and services required to export and e-commerce across boundaries to promote the ease of doing business. 	Economies, SOM EC, CTI/SCCP Economies, SOM CTI/ECSG	Towards 2015 2014
APEC Regulatory Cooperation Advancement Mechanism (ARCAM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take forward work under the revised APEC Regulatory Cooperation Advancement Mechanism (ARCAM) on Trade-Related Standards and Technical Regulations including discussions on electric vehicles as the topic for the 2014 ARCAM Dialogue and progress work on advertising standards in the region. Build mechanisms and institutions that help citizens to reduce the costs of obtaining information on fiscal policy and foster transparency and promote public accountability. 	CTI SOM, Economies SOM, Economies	2014 2014
Enhancing Customs Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modernize trade-related as well as customs and border agencies, including by progressing the development of Single Window Systems in APEC economies. Continue to build capacity to implement Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programs throughout the APEC region in line with the WCO/APEC SAFE Framework of Standards and further implement 	CTI/SCCP CTI/SCCP/SCSC/TPTWG	2014 2014

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	capacity-building activities and sharing of best practices to address at-the-border barriers.		
Cross-Border Privacy Rules	Encourage economies' participation in the Cross Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) System on a voluntary basis, as agreed by APEC Leaders in 2011.	CTI/ECSG	2014; Ongoing
Cross-Border Education Cooperation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress the 2012 commitment to promote cross-border education on a voluntary basis consistent with individual economies' circumstances, to access education and training services, strengthen regional ties, contribute to the creation of better quality jobs, bolster productivity growth and further promote economic growth through actionable cooperation. 	Economies SOM HRD WG GOS	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take forward the implementation and development of the Work Plan on Promoting Cross-Border Education Cooperation through related activities that support the promotion of cross-border education cooperation from across relevant APEC for a, on a voluntary basis and consistent with individual economies' circumstances. 	Economies SOM HRD WG GOS	2014
Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote cross border financial cooperation; and expand the application of safe and trusted ICT and e-commerce environment. 	Economies CTI/ECSG	2014
People-To-People Connectivity			
Movement of People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake to achieve a target of 1 million intra-APEC university-level students per year by 2020, and support further work to enhance the mobility of students, researchers, and education providers, and the network of existing bilateral agreements. 	BMG, HRDWG, TWG Economies	Toward 2020
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand the facilitation of movement of people, including tourists, business people, professionals, workers, women and youth. 	TWG, BMG Economies	2014
Travel Facilitation Initiative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress work on the Travel Facilitation Initiative including making travel more accessible, convenient, efficient, safe and secure. 	Economies TWG BMG, TPTWG, CTTF, SCCP	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to further enhance the APEC Business Travel Card scheme. 	BMG	2014
Emergency Response Travel Facilitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take forward work on the Emergency Response Travel Facilitation (ERTF) initiative to ensure the ease of mobility for emergency responders and equipment; and involve the business community in 	EPWG, BMG, SCCP	2014

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> post disaster business recovery. Develop a work plan on ERTF and include ERTF as a continuing working agenda item in relevant APEC fora. 		
Promoting Joint Endeavors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop programs to encourage greater and regular involvement and engagement of youth in APEC. 	Economies HRDWG	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance engagement with academics and study centers to broaden perspectives and give more depth to discussions in APEC. 	Economies	2014
Sustainable Growth with Equity			
Women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand women's participation in the economy by creating an enabling environment through the development of gender related structural reform measures, improved ICT training support, as well as the equal access to quality education and employment opportunities and greater access to market. 	PPWE, EC, PPSTI, HRDWG, SMEWG, other related fora	2014
Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance SMEs' global competitiveness by improving access to finance, markets and trade finance instruments, supporting entrepreneurship, accelerating the growth of start-ups, strengthening capacities for business continuity planning (BCP) and empowering SMEs to expand to international markets and to participate in global supply chains. 	SMEWG	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote responsible innovative approaches to increase financial eligibility and inclusion of the poor and SMEs. Improve delivery channels to extend the benefit of financial services to those lacking access to financial systems. 	SMEWG, SFOM, FMM	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote the development of women-owned SMEs through the development of entrepreneurial culture, greater access to market and financial services including capital. 	SMEWG, PPWE	
Food Security and Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address the nexus of water, energy and food security through the promotion of integrated policies and collaborative approaches. 	Economies, SOM	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the APEC Food Security Road Map Towards 2020 to enhance supply chain connectivity, achieve efficiencies, reduce post-harvest losses and waste, and improve the food system structure. Implement an operational Business Plan. 	PPFS Economies	Towards 2020

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reiterate pledge against protectionism, recognizing that bans and other restrictions on food exports may cause price volatility, especially for economies that rely on imports of staple products. • Promote the crucial role of farmers and fishers, particularly small holders and women, in achieving food security by strengthening their capacities, to take an important role in the supply chain, and creating a solid partnership between government and private sector. • Strengthen cooperation in achieving sustainable food security through the implementation of the Niigata Declaration 2010 and Kazan Declaration 2012, including through the Policy Partnership on Food Security (PPFS). Share best practices through Asia-Pacific Information Platform on Food Security (APIP). • Work towards comprehensive technical approaches to assist and build the capacity of SMEs to apply and enhance compliance of food safety standards to improve the competitiveness of SMEs, facilitate trade and increase food safety. • Continue efforts of the Food Safety Cooperation Forum (FSCF) and its Partnership Training Institute Network (PTIN) in developing food safety capacity, strengthening food supply-chains in the region and complementing the efforts in the alignment of domestic regulations with international standards. 	<p>Economies PPFS, CTI, ATCWG OFWG</p> <p>Economies PPFS, ATCWG OFWG</p> <p>Economies PPFS, ATCWG OFWG</p> <p>CTI/SCSC, SMEWG</p> <p>CTI/SCSC-FSCF, PTIN</p>	<p>2014 and beyond</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014 and beyond</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
Agricultural Biotechnologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote the sharing of information and experience on the creation and fostering of science-based regulations, and identify applications of agricultural biotechnology that address the environmental, food, and health challenges in member economies. • Promote science-based risk assessments and transparent decision making consistent with domestic laws as part of the continuing effort to educate the public about the importance of global food security of providing farmers with production choices, including agricultural biotechnology. • Direct the HLPDAB to develop a platform to share information on policy and innovative technologies, appropriate for small farmers' use and encourage officials to conduct risk communication outreach to improve public understanding on agricultural biotechnology. 	<p>ATCWG, HLPDAB, PPFS CTI/SCSC; HWG</p> <p>Economies ATCWG, HLPDAB, PPFS</p> <p>HLPDAB</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
Ocean-Related Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pursue cross-sectoral work under the APEC Initiative on Mainstreaming Ocean-related Issues. 	SCE, OFWG	2014 and beyond

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement the work plan to promote ocean-related issues in APEC including cooperation on exchanging best practices in combating Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing; sustainable fisheries management and trade, including trade in sustainably harvested fisheries products and aquaculture; new and renewable energy; tourism; science and technology; transportation and marine connectivity. 	SCE, OFWG, PPFS CTI EWG, TWG, TPTWG Economies	2014
Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue work to develop sustainable investment and development of clean and renewable energy technologies through public-private partnerships. Promote energy security and efficiency and lowering of greenhouse gas emissions, with the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) as notable example. Encourage concrete actions to facilitate the development of clean, renewable and sustainable energy use through (i) Boosting Investments in Clean Energy and Renewables, (ii) Capacity Building and Technical Cooperation, (iii) Fostering Cooperation on Clean and Renewable Energy Development Projects, and (iv) Enhancing Energy Efficiency to Support Sustainable Cities, Communities and Industries. Strengthen technical capabilities in sustainable energy development, sharing of knowledge and best practices and cooperation in engaging in optimum and sustainable bio-energy development projects. Expand engagement with APEC fora, Asia-Pacific Energy Research Center (APEREC), other organizations and networks, where appropriate, to strengthen mutual cooperation on energy, clean and renewable energy, energy efficiency, private sector investments in clean and renewable energy and supporting supply chains. Develop a comprehensive Work Plan of APEC projects to help implement the above concrete actions. 	Economies EWG Economies EWG Economies EWG EWG	2014 2014 2014 2014
Energy Efficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve energy efficiency, particularly in industries, consumer home appliances, equipment, buildings, houses, and transport sectors. Reaffirm 2011 commitment to aspire to reduce APEC's aggregate energy intensity by 45 % by 2035, using 2005 as a base year. Encourage officials, in close cooperation with private sector, to implement policies that improve energy efficiency, including capacity building initiatives, joint studies and harmonization of energy efficiency standards. 	Economies EWG	Towards 2035

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Rationalizing and Phasing-Out Inefficient Fossil Fuel Subsidies that Encourage Wasteful Consumption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to build regional capacity to assist APEC economies to rationalize and phase out inefficient fossil-fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption, while recognizing the importance of providing those in need with essential energy services. Enhance and balance the share of cleaner fossil fuels, such as natural gas and the use of clean coal technology, in the energy mix that would help to reach energy sustainability in the Asia-Pacific region. Take forward work on a Voluntary Peer Review Mechanism of inefficient fossil-fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption, and welcome the initiation of economy-owned peer reviews and use of the voluntary reporting mechanism. Continue efforts to support the Energy Smart Community Initiative (ESCI) to promote innovation for green growth through knowledge and best practice sharing. 	EWG Economies Economies Economies EWG Economies EWG	2014 2014 2014 2014
Sustainable Development in Mining	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue efforts to bring together common concerns of APEC economies on sustainable mining and sectoral and regional improvement, promoting interregional trade and communication, cooperation and synergy with other regional groupings, such as the EU, by encouraging sharing of knowledge and experiences in mining and metallurgical business sector. 	MTF, Economies	2014
Wildlife Trafficking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Combat wildlife trafficking by enhancing international cooperation through Wildlife Enforcement Networks (WENs) and other existing mechanisms, reducing the supply of and demand for illegally traded wildlife, increasing public awareness and education related to wildlife trafficking and its impacts, and treating wildlife trafficking crimes seriously. 	ACT, SOM, Economies	2014
Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote sustainable healthcare systems that deliver universal health coverage, focusing on preventive measures to ensure healthy and productive societies, bearing in mind the different pace of aging among member economies. Engage in capacity building efforts and effective regional and global partnerships across the public and private sectors to address infectious diseases, control non-communicable disease, and strengthen public health systems. 	Economies HWG Economies HWG	2014 2014

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote understanding on the safe and effective use of Traditional medicine and Complementary Alternative Medicines (TCAM) by integrating traditional medicine into healthcare systems in accordance with economies' priorities and legislation, and involving communities and strengthening public-private partnership, taking into account economies' circumstances. Work towards zero new HIV Infections, zero discrimination and zero HIV related deaths, especially through HIV prevention programs in the APEC region. 	<p>Economies HWG</p> <p>Economies HWG</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>Towards 2015</p>
Emergency Preparedness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress work to ensure ease of mobility of emergency responders and their equipment to save lives in the early aftermath of disasters, Improve cooperation in disaster risk reduction, including through the involvement of the private sector in business continuity planning. 	Economies EPWG, SCCP, BMG, SCSC	2014
Anti-Corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advance greater collaboration among law enforcement authorities, in combating corruption, bribery, money laundering, and illicit trade, through the establishment of an APEC Network of Anti-Corruption Authorities and Law Enforcement Agencies (ACT-NET). Reaffirm commitment to create ethical business environments that support sustainable economic growth, in particular by strengthening ethical standards and implementing APEC's high standard principles for codes of business ethics. 	<p>ACT, ACT-NET Economies</p> <p>ACT, ACT-NET, Economies</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
Science, Technology and Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen cooperation among government, scientists, and business sector to promote science, technology and innovation (STI) in the region, and value policy discussions among the Asia-Pacific's Chief Science Advisors (CSA) and their equivalents in addressing common STI challenges. Advance work on science, technology and innovation including the participation of private sector. 	<p>PPSTI</p> <p>PPSTI</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
Labour and Social Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote inclusive growth and social protection in the APEC region through job creation, human resource development, active labour market policies, collaborations with all sectors including business, labour, women, and youth. 	Economies SOM HRDWG	2014
Increasing Forest Cover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reaffirm commitment to increase forest cover in the APEC region by 	Economies	Towards 2020

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	20 million hectares by 2020 as outlined by APEC Leaders in 2007.		
Economic and Technical Cooperation			
Strengthen ECOTECH Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver a more strategic, goal-oriented, cross-cutting approach to economic and technical cooperation activities across APEC economies. Reaffirm commitment to continue leveraging ECOTECH activities to help developing economies achieve the Bogor Goals by 2020. Implement the twelve recommendations from the 2013 SCE survey and report to AMM next year and in future years. Continue to strengthen the coordination between APEC fora and streamline operating processes of SCE. APEC Secretariat to work out the recommendations for streamlining CTI sub-fora. 	<p>SCE</p> <p>SCE</p> <p>SOM, SCE APEC Secretariat CTI</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014 and beyond</p> <p>2014</p>
Counter Terrorism Task Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transform the Counter Terrorism Task Force into a Working Group. 	SCE, CTF (CTWG)	2014
Strengthening APEC			
Institutional Synergies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue collaborative, joint activities in areas of mutual interest with ASEAN, G20 and other key stakeholders. 	Economies APEC Secretariat	Ongoing
Enhancing the Role of the Private Sector in APEC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase constructive involvement of the private sector in APEC processes and encourage further substantial collaboration with ABAC and other stakeholders. 	Economies SOM	Ongoing
APEC Support Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urge economies to continue making voluntary contributions to the APEC Support Fund to help support the implementation of targeted capacity building activities. 	Economies APEC Secretariat BMC	2014
APEC Secretariat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement APEC Secretariat's 2014-2016 strategic plan. Further review the administrative and budgetary issues in APEC to improve effectiveness. 	APEC Secretariat BMC, SOM	2014
Ongoing Work to be Reported Annually (from 2012, 2011 and 2010 Taskings)			
APEC Leaders' Growth Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to implement the Growth Strategy, focusing on the five attributes of balanced, inclusive, sustainable, innovative, and secure growth; and follow-up on the Action Plan that encompasses work elements on structural reform, human resource and entrepreneurship 	Economies SOM CTI, EC, SCE	Toward 2015

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	development, green growth, knowledge-based economy, and human security. Review progress toward implementing the Growth Strategy in 2015.		
Supply Chain Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish within the economies that are part of the pathfinder commercially useful <i>de minimis</i> values in economies that will exempt low-value shipments from customs duties and streamline entry documentation requirements. 	Economies CTI/SCCP	Toward 2015
Regulatory Coherence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make progress on a strategic framework to achieve convergence on regulatory approval procedures for medical products by 2020. 	SOM CTI/LSIF, HWG	Toward 2020
Facilitating Regional Travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the APEC Travel Facilitation Initiative to make travel in the region faster, easier and more secure. 	SCE, CTI/BMG, CTI/SCCP, CTWG, TPTWG, TWG	Toward 2017
Anti-Corruption and Transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue implementation of the APEC anti-corruption and open government commitments by 2014 through deeper cooperation in APEC. 	ACT WG	Toward 2014
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage the implementation of the OECD/INFE Guidelines for Financial Education in Schools and consider the participation in the Financial Literacy Measurement Programme for International Students Assessments (PISA) in 2015. 	Economies SFOM, HRD WG	Toward 2015
Human Resource and Entrepreneurship Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the "Action Plan for Developing Human Resources, Vigorously Promoting Employment, and Achieving Inclusive Growth". 	SOM HRDWG	Toward 2014
Sustainable development in mining	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the sustainable development in mining agenda to promote regional integration, foster investment, increase social responsibility, and promote innovation and environment advances in mining and metallurgy. 	MTF	Toward 2015
Reducing Energy Intensity and Carbon Emissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote technology development and deployment of a low-emission energy supply including carbon capture, storage and use, and renewable energy sources such as bioenergy from sustainable biomass sources. Implement the 2011 APEC Transportation and Energy Ministerial Conference Action Agenda to promote energy efficient and 	Economies EWG	Toward 2035

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	<p>sustainable transport systems development, including municipal and railway transportation, gas and electric vehicles and more fuel-efficient conventional vehicles in order to reduce oil dependency and harmful emissions from transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share the results of research and analysis and develop an Action Plan in order to achieve the aspirational goal to reduce APEC's aggregate energy intensity by 45 per cent by 2035 while noting that individual economies' rates of improvement may differ due to varying domestic circumstances. 		
Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make efforts to promote confidence and trust in electronic environments globally by encouraging secure cross border flows of information, including electronic documents. • Work with multi-stakeholders to continue efforts to expand and strengthen the Asia-Pacific Information Infrastructure and to build confidence and security in the use of ICT. • Take steps to improve disaster preparedness, response and recovery through the development of ICTs and promotion of appropriate systems and technologies. 	<p>TELWG CTI/ECSG</p> <p>TELWG CTI/ECSG</p> <p>Economies TELWG, EPWG</p>	<p>Toward 2015</p> <p>Toward 2015</p> <p>Toward 2015</p>
Science, Technology and Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize future Innovation Technology Dialogues (ITDs) to discuss key emerging technology markets and related technologies and prospects for their application in terms of addressing current challenges facing Asia-Pacific economies. • Work with stakeholders to identify high-impact investments along the life course that will yield commensurate economic and social returns and report findings in 2015. 	<p>PPSTI</p> <p>Economies HWG,LSIF</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Report in 2015</p>
Policy Support Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extend the mandate of the PSU for an additional seven years from 2014 to 2020 with a mid-term review to examine its strategic direction. 	<p>PSU, APEC Secretariat</p>	<p>2017 (mid-term review)</p>