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Workplan for TPTMM8

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APEC TRANSPORTATION MINISTERIAL MEETING (TPTMM8)
JOINT STATEMENT
WORKPLAN – 2013 –2015

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d	All groups			
e g	All Groups, led by Japan			

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	of the Supply Chain Connectivity Framework Action Plan.				
7	We also support this year's initiative to establish a unifying, forward-looking, and ambitious APEC Framework on Connectivity and its three pillars - physical connectivity, institutional connectivity, and people-to-people connectivity - in order to strengthen regional economic integration, contribute to economic growth and enhance trade.	All groups, led by IIEG			
8	An open and liberal international aviation regime is conducive to commercial and economic growth across the APEC region. We note in particular the conclusion of the 6 th meeting of the ICAO Worldwide Air Transport Conference that States should continue to pursue market access liberalization according to their respective situations and requirements, using existing avenues such as the Multilateral Agreement on the Liberalization of International Air Transportation. We also note ICAO's recommendation to develop and adopt a long-term vision for international air transport liberalization, including the examination of an international agreement. We welcome the progress made by APEC economies in liberalizing aviation markets and recommend that they continue their work in this regard.	AEG			

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9	We endorse the working document of the TPTWG that contains a set of core principles outlining best practices in the economic treatment of international business aviation operations. In accordance with these principles, business aviation can connect major Asia-Pacific centers of trade in an unprecedented, time-saving manner. These principles serve to open the door to global commerce for smaller communities and rural populations across the region that require access to major cities and manufacturing centers.	AEG-SEC AEG-SRV			
10	We further welcome the development by the TPTWG of a set of core principles that embody best practices in the economic treatment of commercial maritime operations. With these principles, as presented in the APEC Framework on Connectivity, maritime trade can connect major Asia-Pacific centers in an efficient, resilient, secure and economically viable manner.	MEG			
11	Recognizing the importance of Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) applications in achieving seamless intermodal transportation to enhance safety, security, and sustainability, we support the work of the GNSS Implementation Team (GIT) and	IIEG GIT			

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	encourage continued efforts by each economy to develop capabilities for GNSS interference detection and mitigation.				
Enhancing Transportation Infrastructure					
12	We reaffirm that transportation infrastructure development is essential to the promotion of economic growth in the APEC region. This challenge is not only for developing economies, but also for developed economies. We encourage all economies to invest in new, upgraded, or replacement infrastructure, in order to meet increased transportation needs.	All groups, led by IIEG			
13	In this regard, we take note of this year's proposal to develop a coordinated approach to promoting development, investment, and financing of well-designed, sustainable and resilient infrastructure within and between our economies through the creation of a multi-year plan to improve physical connectivity in Asia-Pacific.	IIEG to monitor and identify roles if any for TPTWG			
14	We note that public-private cooperation and inter-governmental dialogue are important to ensure adequate, sustainable investments in, and maintenance and management of, transportation related projects.	All groups (in collaboration with ABAC)			
15	We therefore instruct the TPTWG to explore opportunities for deepening cooperation including sharing	All groups (in collaboration with ABAC)			

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	experiences and best practices in transportation infrastructure investment, financing and operations, particularly with regard to public-private partnerships.				
Pursuing “Quality Transport”					
16	The remarkable economic growth in the APEC region requires a transportation network that can keep pace with development and meet the expectations of the business community and society more broadly. We reaffirm the importance of sharing information on advanced transportation systems; policy and regulatory measures; innovative technologies; and universal design concepts, notably as they pertain to accessibility. We will also continue efforts made to date on intelligent supply chain initiatives.	All groups			
17	To this end, we direct the TPTWG to develop a “Quality Transport” vision, encompassing convenience, efficiency, safety, security, and sustainability as priorities, in cooperation with other relevant APEC fora.	All groups (in collaboration with ABAC, ITF, and others TBC), led by Japan			
Natural Disasters					
18	We reaffirm the importance of preparedness, resilience and response to natural disasters within the APEC region. We will continue to learn from past experiences and to share best practices to protect supply	IIEG			

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	chains and transportation infrastructure.				
Capacity Building					
19	Acknowledging the important role of capacity building in strengthening and supporting the trade and investment liberalization and facilitation agenda particularly in making progress in the transportation sector in the APEC region, we reaffirm the 2012 leaders' commitment to provide effective economic and technical cooperation.	All groups			
20	With regard to transportation safety, security, efficiency, and environmental protection, we note the importance of the initiatives underway in ICAO, IMO, and other international organizations as well as the complementary work of the TPTWG through information sharing and capacity building projects. We instruct the TPTWG to collaborate with those international organizations where appropriate.	All groups (in collaboration with ICAO, IMO, and others TBC)			
21	We endorse the capacity building work being undertaken to promote the implementation of the relevant international treaties.	All groups			
Safety and Security					
22	We encourage the TPTWG to work with stakeholders from all modes to improve the safety and security of	All groups			

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	operators, service providers and facilities.				
23	We acknowledge the wide range of work that economies are undertaking on road safety and the prominence that the United Nations has accorded this major concern by progressing the Decade of Action for Road Safety, 2011-2020. We recognize the important work of the TPTWG in facilitating information sharing and collaboration between developed and developing economies on evidence-based road safety policy measures with identified targets, systems and technologies. We direct the TPTWG to continue this body of work. We also encourage the TPTWG to undertake further work on improving safety between road and rail users.	LEG			
24	We encourage the TPTWG to maintain its collaboration with the International Working Group on Land Transport Security and to continue efforts to improve and promote best practices in the land transport security sector.	LEG – SEC			
25	We encourage economies to as far as possible utilize the latest transport security technology and give a high priority to providing comprehensive	LEG – SEC IIEG – SEC AEG – SEC MEG – SEC			

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	training to transport security personnel to assist them in delivering an effective transport security system so as to minimize any security risks to transport within the Asia-Pacific region.				
Combating Corruption and Illicit Trade across the Asia-Pacific Region					
26	We condemn any use of the transportation system by human traffickers within and across our borders. The International Labor Organization estimates that globally, 20.9 million people are victims of forced labour, including people trafficked for sexual and other forms of labour exploitation. Given that our transportation networks could be exploited by traffickers seeking to move their victims, we direct the TPTWG to explore ways to increase watchfulness and deter and prevent human traffickers from using our transportation networks.	All groups, led by the United States			
Vehicle Standards Harmonization					
27	We urge member economies to participate in the harmonization work under agreements administered by the World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Standards (WP.29) of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) aiming at the improvement of the safety and	LEG - VSHB			

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	environmental performance of vehicles as well as greater economic integration through harmonized vehicle standards and technical requirements.				
Women in Transportation					
28	We applaud the TPTWG's work on the compendium of best practices for the inclusion of women in the transportation sector. We instruct the TPTWG to build on its progress to develop a framework for collection of data and sharing of resources that will enhance opportunities for women in transportation and enable the measurement of progress over time. We encourage each economy to continue voluntary efforts to support this important endeavor.	All groups, led by the United States			
APEC Green Port Initiative					
29	We support the continuing work of the APEC Port Services Network (APSN) on the Green Port Initiative in encouraging collaboration, communication and capacity building among ports and related maritime sectors in the region. We affirm the value of the Green Port Award System (GPAS) to enhance regional environmental awareness, share best	APSN Secretariat MEG			

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	practices, improve the overall performance, efficiency and sustainability of APEC ports and promote innovation for green growth. We encourage the APSN and all economies to continue to contribute to green port development.				
APEC Travel Facilitation Initiative					
30	We instruct the TPTWG to work with other APEC fora to facilitate the relevant elements of the APEC Travel Facilitation Initiative.	AEG MEG			
Conclusion					
31	We reaffirm our commitment to contribute to the further development of the APEC region by continuing our cooperative activities within APEC, with other international and regional organizations, and with the private sector and other stakeholders.	All groups			
32	Strong engagement and cross fora collaboration is needed to ensure that transportation in the APEC region is safe, secure, convenient, efficient, and sustainable. We recognize the complementary work within APEC in areas such as procedures related to trade and customs, business mobility, automotive industry, energy efficiency, tourism, and counter terrorism. We encourage the ongoing collaboration between the TPTWG and relevant	All groups (in collaboration with EWG, CTWG, Automotive Dialogue, CTI, and others TBC)			

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	APEC fora.				
33	We instruct the TPTWG to continue its efforts with respect to the implementation of the objectives set out at the Special Transport Ministers' Meeting (STMM), TMM7, and previous Ministerial meetings.	All groups			
34	We agree to meet again in the Philippines in 2015 to work towards the further advancement of the transportation sector in the APEC region.	Phillipines			