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Proposal for Task Force or Path Finder Initiative Related to APEC Transport Card

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Korea would like to make a proposal for establishing a Task Force within the APEC TPT-WG framework to explore the benefits and challenges of APEC-wide Transport Cards.

Based on the Connectivity Blueprint of the APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting and the proposal of Korean President Park Geun-hye, we started discussion on APEC Transport Cards at this TPT-WG meeting.

On the second day of TPT-WG 41, Korea held a side meeting on APEC Transport Cards. Delegates from 11 economies participated in the discussion, where we received useful insights.

During the side meeting, Korea, Japan and Singapore made presentations to explain their transport card systems and the benefits and challenges relating to APEC Transport Cards, followed by discussions on the necessity of such a APEC-wide Transport Card system.

Participants agreed on the necessity of further discussion on the APEC transport cards. Based on this input, Korea would like to propose establishing a Task Force on APEC Transport Cards within the TPT-WG framework.

If established, the Task Force would provide APEC economies with opportunities to identify the benefits and resolve challenges of APEC Transport Cards.