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TWG Independent Assessment Review - Presentation

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APEC Tourism Working Group

2014 Independent Assessment Results and Implementation



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2014 Independent Assessment

The 2014 APEC independent assessment of the TWG provided recommendations in 6 areas:

- TWG strategic plan;
- Developing projects;
- TWG meeting agenda;
- TWG meeting structure/content;
- Reporting out to leaders and stakeholders; and
- Collaborating within APEC and with international organizations.

Implemented Recommendations

- ▶ **TWG 1:** Assess Leaders' priorities in developing the Strategic Plan.
- ▶ **TWG 2:** Assess concept notes more fully at the early stages.
- ▶ **TWG 4:** Prioritize projects w/ the greatest regional value.
- ▶ **TWG 6:** Explore a program approach to projects.
- ▶ **TWG 7:** Invite broad range of participants to workshops.
- ▶ **TWG 8:** Invite ABAC representatives.
- ▶ **TWG 9:** Restructure TWG agendas; circulate documents 1 month in advance.

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Implemented Recommendations

- ▶ **TWG 10:** PD take an active approach to seeking input on agenda items.
- ▶ **TWG 13:** State of APEC Tourism Report.
- ▶ **TWG 15:** Delegations selected based on knowledge of agenda items.
- ▶ **TWG 16:** Review Tourism Charter
- ▶ **TWG 17:** APEC SOM enable back to back meetings of working groups.
- ▶ **TWG 18:** Consult with other working groups, report on connections.
- ▶ **TWG 19:** TWG invite OECD to be guest.

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Outstanding Recommendations

- ▶ **TWG 5:** Knowledge transfer as a component of projects.
- ▶ **TWG 11:** Develop agenda of intercessional touch points.
- ▶ **TWG 12:** Second TWG meeting held on margins of SOM.
- ▶ **TWG 14:** Develop standardized reporting template.
- ▶ **TWG 20:** Consult formally with guests in development of Strategic Plan.
- ▶ **TWG 21:** Explore collaborative approach with multilateral organizations.

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Next Steps

- ▶ Determine which outstanding recommendations to implement.
- ▶ Develop a reasonable timeline for implementation.
- ▶ Report on implementation progress at TWG 50.

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