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## **Transportation Working Group Proposed Workplan for 2017**

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# **APEC Transportation Working Group's Proposed Workplan for 2017**

## **Introduction**

The APEC Transportation Working Group (TPTWG) works toward the liberalisation and facilitation of transport trade and services, and enhancing safe, secure, efficient and environment-friendly transportation systems across the Asia-Pacific Region. TPTWG aligns its activities with instructions from the Leaders' and Ministers' Statements as well as the APEC host economy's priorities and other SOM and SCE priorities and decisions.

## **1. Expected Outcomes/Deliverables for 2017**

A key priority for the TPTWG in 2017 will be preparing for a successful and productive 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of APEC Transportation Ministers (TMM10) in Papua New Guinea in October 2017. At the meeting, Ministers will be presented with a review of the TPTWG's structure, as instructed by Ministers at TMM9 in 2015. The review identifies a number of options for the streamlining and greater efficiency of the TPTWG. Ministers will also receive a report on progress with other initiatives since the previous meeting.

The 44<sup>th</sup> TPTWG meeting will take place in Chinese Taipei in April 2017. The work of the TPTWG is largely progressed through four Expert Groups covering Aviation, Maritime, Land, and Intermodal and Intelligent Transport Systems issues respectively. These Expert Groups and their associated subgroups will meet in Chinese Taipei with a focus on progressing APEC-funded projects, a number of self-funded projects, in developing a range of new concept notes in pursuit of APEC priorities, and and more generally in sharing knowledge and good practice between economies. An example of the further initiatives to be developed through the Concept Note process is one on meeting the education needs of the expanding, and increasingly technically involved, transport sector.

The TPTWG will also continue to conduct additional workshops to increase knowledge and provide practical assistance and training to member economies in transport resilience, safety, security and capacity building. Initiatives to promote energy efficient transport systems and the uptake of new technologies will continue to be a priority, alongside a focus on connectivity and transport infrastructure.

Opportunities to collaborate with other APEC fora to advance economic cooperation in, for example, tourism promotion, energy efficiency and the promotion of a favourable business environment for medium and small medium enterprises, will also continue to be a priority.

The TPTWG will continue its ongoing programme of initiatives to promote the role of women in the transport sector, including consideration of measures to provide for their personal security. The Women in Transport project will hold a specific side meeting at TPTWG44. In addition, Viet Nam will hold a Women in Transportation Event 23-27 September 2017 in Hue City, as part of its 2017 APEC hosting programme.

## 2. Itemized Work Plans for 2017

Title	Summary of Specific Plans	Mandate (Leaders/Ministers/SOM/SCE Priorities and Decisions, Strategic Plans and to ABAC recommendations)	ECOTECH Priorities and/or Host Year Priorities	Cross-fora collaboration (Within APEC and beyond APEC)
<p>Best Practices in Policies, Regulations and Flexibility for Resilience of Global Value Chains</p> <p>(TPT 01 2016A )</p>	<p>This project aims to increase the resilience of APEC economies to better manage disasters. The project builds on the successes of previous projects that address the Seven Principles of Supply Chain Resilience. The scope of this project includes:</p> <p>1) An APEC-wide technical workshop promoting best practice policy, regulations, and flexibility to enable global supply chain resilience. This workshop will occur in a centrally-located economy during the second quarter of 2017.</p> <p>2) A workshop for one APEC Economy, the third in a series, on Supply Chain Resilience to provide an opportunity to customize an economy-level action plan based on the Seven APEC Principles of Supply Chain Resilience. This workshop will be in the first quarter of 2017, with extensive planning and coordination both before and after the workshop.</p>	<p>Endorsed by TPTWG in 2016</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sustainable Growth</li> <li>- Human Security</li> </ul>	<p>Emergency Preparedness Working Group</p>
<p>Framework of Heavy Vehicle Safety in Transport Supply Chain for APEC Developing Economies</p> <p>(TPT 01 2016S)</p>	<p>Papua New Guinea held a well-attended workshop at TPTWG42 in April 2016 to consider technical aspects of heavy vehicle safety, including measures to prevent truck roll-over. Following that meeting, Papua New Guinea continues to develop guidelines on compliance, enforcement and pricing signals, and the importance and benefit of establishing strong partnerships with industry. A further workshop on this issue is scheduled for early 2017 in Brisbane, Australia.</p>	<p>Self-funded project from Australia and Papua New Guinea</p> <p>Endorsed by TPTWG in 2016</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SMEs</li> <li>- Technologies and Innovation</li> <li>- Human Security</li> </ul>	
<p>Promoting Cruise Visits to Ports within the APEC Region</p> <p>(TPT 01 2015S)</p>	<p>Japan continues to progress this self-funded project, focusing initially on efforts to promote the cruise industry in Japan. Japan has requested that other economies submit additional information on best practices of cruise promotion activities, in order to complete the APEC Cruise website.</p>	<p>Self-funded project from Japan</p> <p>Endorsed by TPTWG in 2016</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Technologies and Innovation</li> <li>- Inclusive Growth</li> <li>- Regional Economic Integration</li> <li>- Sustainable Growth</li> <li>- Human Security</li> </ul>	<p>Tourism Working Group</p>

Global Supply Chain Resilience: Phase 3 Continued Implementation (TPT 04 2015)	This work stream, which has a Five Year Plan extending from 2013 until 2017, focuses on two areas of work each year: 1) conducting workshops or training on one of the seven principles of supply chain resilience; and 2) working closely with a developing APEC economy to make progress towards resilient supply chains by working on all seven principles at once in the context of an economy-specific Action Plan.	Endorsed by TPTWG in 2015	- Sustainable Growth - Human Security	
APEC – Enhancing Aviation Connectivity and Emissions Reduction via Implementation of Performance-Based Navigation (PBN) Assistance Programme (TPT 05 2015A)	This is a repeat project funded by APEC, sponsored by Thailand, the United States, and the target economies of Indonesia and Mexico. The project aims to assess their current PBN implementation status, review their current PBN implementation plans, discuss them with their Air Navigation Service Provider and Civil Aviation Authorities, do a gap analysis, and develop a final report with technical, operational and regulatory recommendations. The contractor for this project is in the process of completing a final report. Separately, the United States has agreed to provide FAA guidance material on the implementation of PBN procedures. Economies that were the subject of prior APEC-funded PBN projects will be contacted re the status of their implementation.	Endorsed by TPTWG in 2015	- Technologies and Innovation - Sustainable Growth	Energy Working Group
APEC Training Course on Common Principles to Shipping Policy (TPT 02 2015T)	The project aims to support capacity building by providing staff in APEC maritime authorities (e.g., maritime policy makers) with practical exposure to real and complex policy issues related to international shipping and maritime policies. The completion report on the 3rd APEC Training Course on Common Principles to Shipping Policy is almost complete. The training course was held on 16-18 December 2016 in Bangkok.	Endorsed by TPTWG in 2015	- Human Capital Development - Structural Reform - Sustainable Growth	

As well as activities to promote capacity building, the TPTWG has a number of activities to promote transport resilience and connectivity. Examples of such activities include:

- Promoting the development of intelligent transport systems
- Promoting energy-efficient and environmentally friendly modes of transportation
- Investing in new, upgraded or replacement infrastructure, in order to meet increased transportation needs, as well as safe, secure, resilient, efficient and sustainable transportation
- Encouraging international air transport liberalization
- Promoting rail and road safety initiatives including in relation to heavy vehicles
- Taking steps to develop environmentally-friendly ocean-related economic activity as an approach to the sustainable management of marine resources, such as marine renewable energy, and sustainable fisheries and aquaculture through innovation.