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## **APEC 2017 Priorities**

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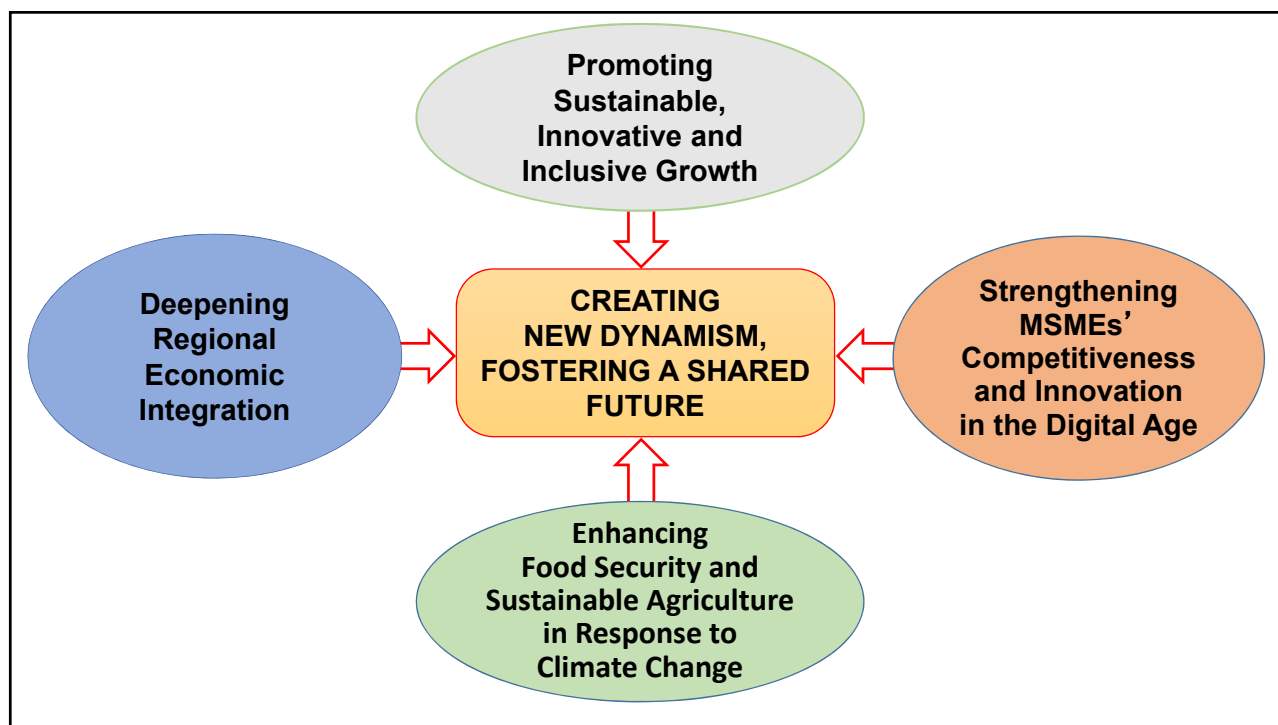


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## APEC VIET NAM 2017

# “ *CREATING NEW DYNAMISM FOSTERING A SHARED FUTURE* ”



## PRIORITY 1: PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE, INNOVATIVE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH

### 1. Structural Reform

- Implement Individual Action Plan (IAPs) under Renewed APEC Agenda on Structural Reform (RAASR)
- Competition policy
- APEC Economic Policy Report 2017 on Structural Reform and Human Capital Development
- Further promote and systemize Good Regulatory Practices (GRPs)
- Ease of Doing Business (EoDB)

### 2. Innovation

- Innovation-targeted reforms
- Sustainable urbanization
- Energy efficiency

## PRIORITY 1: PROMOTING SUSTAINABLE, INNOVATIVE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH

### 3. Human capital development in the digital era

- Education, skill training for the future of work, life long training...
- Cross-border education
- Mutual recognition of qualifications, employable skills for labors, women entrepreneurship
- Mobility of academics, researchers and students.

### 4. Building a sustainable and inclusive community

- Reduce the development gap, inequality; promote financial inclusion
- Address regional challenges (climate change, disasters, terrorism...)
- Improve social welfare, social inclusion, decent jobs and assistance to vulnerable groups; promote health system
- Promote sustainable and inclusive rural–urban development
- Promote cultural exchange, student exchange, sustainable tourism
- Empowerment of women and girls

## PRIORITY 1: EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1. Continued implementation of APEC Strategy for Strengthening Quality Growth
2. Framework on Human Capital Development in the Digital Age
3. APEC Economic Policy Report on Structural Reform & Human Capital Development
4. Guidelines on Sustainable Tourism in Response to Climate Change
5. Guide on Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and Girls

## PRIORITY 2: DEEPENING REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION

### 1. Attaining the Bogor Goals

- Measures to accelerate progress towards the Bogor Goals; redoubling efforts on areas where progress is slow (service, agriculture, investment, ECOTECH...)

### 2. Shaping APEC's post-2020 vision

### 3. Towards the eventual realization of FTAAP

### 4. Supporting the multilateral trade system (MC11, TFA, EGA, ITA, TISA...)

## PRIORITY 2: DEEPENING REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION

### 5. Promoting APEC Connectivity, GVC and Supporting industries

- Implement APEC Connectivity Blueprint; Enhance regional and sub-regional connectivity; Strengthen quality infrastructure, cross-border transportation, business mobility, people to people connectivity...
- Implement the Supply Chain Framework Action Plan Phase 2 (SCFAP 2) with potential measurement indicators, APEC Blueprints on GVCs Development and Cooperation; greater participation of MSMEs in GVCs

### 6. Facilitating cross-border e-commerce, investment and services

- Promote a more favorable environment for regional cross-border e-commerce; Enhance collaboration on e-commerce and digital/internet economy issues
- Implementation of the APEC Services Competitiveness Roadmap (ASCR)
- Enhance collaboration across APEC fora working on trade in services (logistics, IT, transportation, finance...)
- Promote investment (public – private partnership...)

## PRIORITY 2: EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1. Continued efforts in connectivity, GVC, services...
2. Statement on attaining the Bogor Goals and shaping APEC's post-2020 Vision  
→ Establishment of the post-2020 Vision Taskforce
3. Workplan on Next-generation Trade and Investment Issues under FTAAP's discussion
4. Statement on supporting the multilateral trading system and the WTO
5. Framework on Cross-border E-commerce Facilitation
6. Policy Guidelines on Promoting Supporting Industries

### **PRIORITY 3: STRENGTHENING MSMEs' COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION IN THE DIGITAL AGE**

#### **1. Facilitating MSMEs' greater participation in GVCs**

- Facilitate MSMEs' access to, and greater participation in GVCs
- Support backbone services (logistics, finance, e-commerce, etc.)

#### **2. Facilitating the business environment for MSMEs for the digital age**

- Shape MSMEs policies in the digital age
- Foster linkages between the public and private sector
- Develop digital infrastructure for MSMEs
- Enhance MSME's competitiveness through support on info., training, consulting
- Promote green, sustainable and innovative MSMEs
- Strengthen entrepreneurship and women-led businesses

### **PRIORITY 3: STRENGTHENING MSMEs' COMPETITIVENESS AND INNOVATION IN THE DIGITAL AGE**

#### **3. Promoting Start-ups and Innovative MSMEs**

- Develop sustainable and friendly ecosystems for start-ups & innovative MSMEs
- Promote MSMEs' capacity to innovate and strengthen competitiveness
- Enhance business ethics through the promotion of good business standards for MSMEs
- Establish a network of digital start-ups, MSMEs and supporting universities

#### **EXPECTED OUTCOMES**

1. Continued implementation of Boracay Action Agenda to Globalize MSMEs

2. Strategy for Green and Sustainable MSMEs

3. Framework for facilitating start-ups

## PRIORITY 4: ENHANCING FOOD SECURITY AND SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE IN RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

### 1. Addressing the food security - climate change relationship

- Cooperation and communication on food security and climate change policy
- Cooperation on best practices on enhancing agricultural productivity and resilience
- Technology development, dissemination and transfer, and knowledge sharing
- Human and institutional capacity building and outreach

### 2. Sustainable natural resources management

- Foster sustainable use & management of oceans, forest, marine and water resources
- Enhance application of advanced technologies and effective management policies

### 3. Sustainable rural – urban development

- Inclusive development (address rural-urban gap, improve rural-urban connectivity...)
- Enhance effective governance and community development
- Rural-urban employment; upskill farmers and smallholders

## PRIORITY 4: ENHANCING FOOD SECURITY AND SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE IN RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

### 4. Facilitation of investment in agriculture and regional food market

- Promote public –private partnership to foster investment in agricultural production
- Facilitate investment and development of sustainable infrastructure
- Facilitate trade and identify barriers to trade in agriculture
- Strengthen the regional trade connectivity for essential food and food supplements

### 5. Harmonization of food safety standards and food loss control

- Develop common ground to promote science-based food safety and quality
- Enhance investments in modern technologies, equipments, storage facilities as well as transportation and cold chain infrastructure
- Strengthening food supply chains and reduce food losses through PPP

## PRIORITY 4: EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1. Action Plan on Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Change

2. Action Plan on Rural-Urban Development to Strengthen Food Security and Quality Growth

## APEC 2017 PRIORITIES

### 1. Promoting Sustainable, Innovative and Inclusive Growth

- Structural reform
- Innovation
- Human capital development in the digital work
- Building a sustainable and inclusive community

### 2. Deepening Regional Economic Integration

- Attaining Bogor Goals
- Shaping APEC's post - 2020 vision
- Towards the eventual realization of FTAAP
- Supporting the Multilateral Trading System
- Promoting APEC Connectivity, GVC and Supporting industry
- Facilitating cross-border E-commerce, investment and services

### 3. Strengthening MSMEs' Competitiveness and Innovation in the Digital Age

- Facilitating MSMEs' greater participation in GVCs
- Facilitating the business environment for MSMEs for the digital age
- Promoting start-ups and innovative MSMEs

### 4. Enhancing Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in Response to Climate Change

- Addressing the food security - climate change relationship
- Sustainable natural resources management
- Sustainable rural – urban development
- Facilitation of investment in agriculture and regional food market
- Harmonization of food safety standards and food loss control





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