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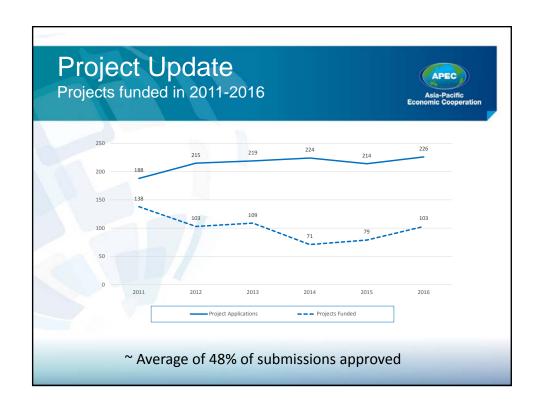
Project Management Update

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SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation - Committee of the Whole Meeting
Nha Trang, Viet Nam
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Update on sub-funds

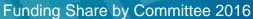
- Introducing the Renewed APEC Agenda on Structural Reform (RASSR) sub-fund for Project Session 1, 2017.
- RASSR has been established by Australia. Up to \$1.8m is available for endorsed projects.
- Also in the pipeline: the Women and the Economy sub-fund (USA/Chinese Taipei).

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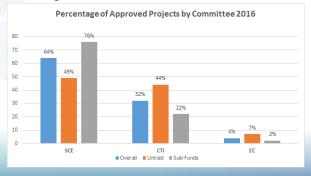
2016 Longer Term Evaluation of Projects

- Testing relevance, effectiveness and sustainability through survey: "Longer Term Evaluation Framework for APEC Projects" (BMC, 2013).
- The 2016 Evaluation expanded the base of the 2015 Evaluation. 3,650 project overseers and participants were approached.
- Disappointing response rate: 55% of POs and 12% of participants.
- To drive up response rate:
 - shorter lead-time between completion and survey
 - express a clear expectation in the project approval letter.





- In 2016, 64% of all funded projects were from SCE working groups.
 - the next highest Committee is CTI 32%
 - shows that most project funding is directed to support APEC's ECOTECH agenda.



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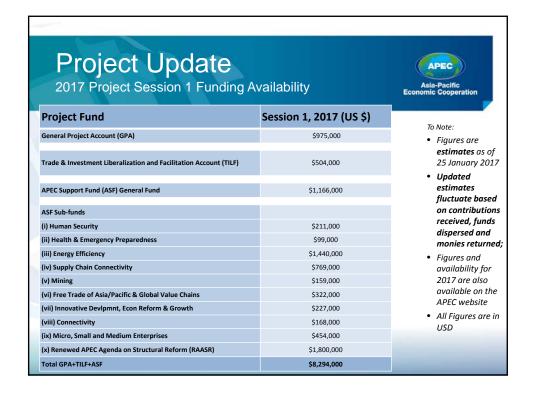
2017 - Dates and deadlines



- Project Session 1: internal deadline is 7 March.
- Project Overseers can expect to be notified about their concept notes by 5 May.
- Project proposals for approved projects must be submitted to the Secretariat for quality assessment no later than 2 June.

All dates with detailed explanations are available on the APEC website:

http://www.apec.org/Projects/Applying-for-Funds.aspx



Project Update Monitoring and Completion Reports



Monitoring Reports (MRs):

- Monitoring reports are due every 6 months on:
 - 1 February and 1 August

Completion Reports (CRs):

 Completion reports are due within 2 months of the project's completion

Report templates can be found on the APEC Website:

http://www.apec.org/Projects/Forms-and-Resources.aspx

Self-funded Projects



- Can be put forward at any time
- Must be approved by the group
- Must comply with APEC guidelines and practices (hosting, publications, logo use, non-member participation)
- Project Overseer must submit Self-Funded Project Proposal Coversheet (Guidebook on APEC Projects, Appendix C) to the Secretariat before commencement of the project
- Project Overseer is strongly encouraged to submit Completion Report (Guidebook on APEC Projects, Appendix G)

Project Update PMU Project Training



- PMU delivered training to over 100 people in 2016 in the margins of SOM1 and SOM2. Targeted training was also delivered in Thailand; and Vietnam and PNG (US ATAARIfunded).
- Training and outreach will continue to be a priority in 2017. We will support project stakeholders this year in support of the implementation of BMC SWG package of reforms, as endorsed.
- Expect changes to the Project Guidebook, online resources and training modules, in view of these reforms.

Further Assistance



Through the APEC Secretariat: your Program Director or the PMU. http://www.apec.org/ContactUs.aspx?t=Secretariat

In the Guidebook on APEC Projects:

http://www.apec.org/Projects/Forms-and-Resources.aspx

On the APEC Project Database:

http://member.aimp.apec.org/pdb_sites/default.aspx

Thank you!