



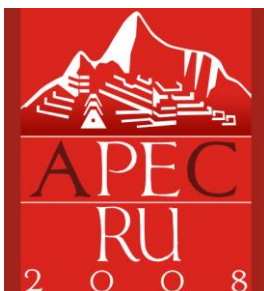
**Asia-Pacific
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Agenda Item: 2

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**First Economic Committee Meeting
Lima, Peru
25-26 February 2008**

**APEC Economic Committee 1
Lima, Peru, 25-27 February 2008**

Draft Agenda (20 February 2008)

25 February 2008: Day One Economic Committee Plenary

MORNING SESSION: 9.00AM – 1.00PM

1. Chair's opening remarks and introductions

Estimated time: 10 minutes

2. Adoption of the EC1 plenary agenda

Estimated time: 5 minutes

3. Roundtable discussion on regulatory reform

A Roundtable discussion led by the EC Chair with support from Australia and the OECD on regulatory reform addressing:

- Regulation-making and review systems and processes
- Reforms of existing regulation (for example, deregulation)
- Market openness

Estimated time: 2 hours

4. APEC-OECD Integrated Checklist on Regulatory Reform

Update from the OECD on the APEC-OECD Integrated Checklist on Regulatory Reform.

Estimated time: 30 minutes

Refreshment break

Estimated time: 30 minutes

5. Meeting of "Friends of the Chair" groups

Friends of the Chair (FotC) meet to discuss forward work programmes, upcoming initiatives, and other business.

Estimated time: 45 minutes

Lunch break: 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Estimated time: 2 hours

AFTERNOON SESSION: 3.00PM – 6.00PM

6. Updates on fora work programmes/ APEC priorities/ complementary work – Part I

- CTI Chair - Update on work programme and initiatives planned for 2008.
- SELI Chair - Update on work programme and initiatives planned for 2008.

Estimated time: 30 minutes

7. Discussion of EC, CPDG and SELI working relationship

CSOM agreed that the formal reporting lines of the CPDG and SELI be moved from the CTI to the EC (2007/CSOM/023). We would like to discuss ways to increase the complementarities between these three fora, and also how best to feed into the broader trade and investment liberalisation agenda. Also to be discussed is whether there is a role for SELI in progressing the Private Sector Development initiative being led by the SME-WG and the EC will also review and endorse (as appropriate) the 2008 work programmes of the CPDG and SELI.

Estimated time: 30 minutes

8. LAISR forward work programme

- Update from FotC Coordinators on their respective work programmes
- Progress reports on initiatives

Regulatory reform:

- *Regulatory reform best practice guidance material (Australia, OECD)*

Competition policy:

- *Seminar on best practices in regulation and promotion of efficiency in transport infrastructure facilities (Peru)*

Public sector governance:

- *Paper reviewing the Individual economy reports on public sector governance (Canada)*

- *Bibliography of resources on public sector governance (New Zealand)*

- *Workshop on government performance and results management (Chinese Taipei)*

Corporate governance:

- *Roundtable discussion on corporate governance reform at EC2 (United States of America)*

Strengthening economic and legal infrastructure:

- *Study Outline of Cross-border Mergers and Acquisitions (M&As) in APEC and their implications for Exports, FDI and Growth (Hong Kong, China)*

- Discussion of initiatives seeking EC endorsement.

Regulatory reform:

- *Consultancy study on Measuring the Ease of Doing Business in APEC, Parts A and B (Singapore)*

Corporate governance:

- *Workshop on corporate governance reform (United States of America)*

Estimated time: 2-3 hours

MORNING SESSION: 9.00AM – 1.00PM

9. Roundtable discussion on public sector governance

A Roundtable discussion led by the EC Chair with support from the Canada on how an economy can effectively use Results-Based Management to help achieve a balance between accountability and innovation in the public sector.

Estimated time: 2 hours

Refreshment break

Estimated time: 30 minutes

10. Structural Reform Ministerial Meeting

Update from Australia on the objectives and agenda for the ministerial level meeting on structural reform and the deputies process.

Estimated time: 1 hour

Lunch break: 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Estimated time: 2 hours

AFTERNOON SESSION: 3.00PM – 6.00PM

11. Updates on fora work programmes/ APEC priorities/ complementary work – Part 2

- 2008 SOM Chair – Update on APEC priorities and the SOM Policy Dialogue on Structural Reform
- Competition Policy and Deregulation Group (CPDG) Convenor – Update on work programme.
- Senior Finance Officials' Meeting (SFOM) Chair - Update on work programme.
- APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC) Chair – Update on ABAC priorities and initiatives for 2008.
- Small and Medium Enterprise Working Group (SME-WG) Lead Shepherd – Update on work programme, including Private Sector Development initiative.
- Australia – Update on the Policy Support Unit

Estimated time: 1 hour and 30 minutes

12. 2008 APEC Economic Policy Report (AEPR)

- Part 1 of AEPR: The Role of Competition Policy in Structural Reform (Japan)

Japan will brief the EC on the draft of Part 1 of the 2008 AEPR, and member economies will have the opportunity to provide feedback.

- Part 2 of AEPR: Competition Policy at Different Stages of Development: Lessons from APEC Economies (Peru)

Peru will brief the EC on the draft of Part 2 of the 2008 AEPR, and member economies will have the opportunity to provide feedback.

- Part 3 of AEPR: Individual Economy Reports on Competition Policy

APEC Secretariat will update the committee on the timeline for the submission of IERs.

- Options to enhance the effectiveness of the AEPR (United States of America)

Estimated time: 1 hour

13. Other business

Document Classification List to be circulated by the APEC Secretariat. Secretariat to report on matters affecting the Economic Committee.

Estimated time: 30 minutes

27 February 2008: Workshop

14. Joint APEC EC-TEL *Workshop on e-Governance*

Estimated time: 1 day