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<b>Work Program</b>	<b>Actions Required</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
<b>Multilateral Trading System</b>			
<b>Negotiations in the WTO/DDA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remain committed to strengthening the rules-based, transparent, non-discriminatory, open and inclusive multilateral trading system as enshrined in the principles and values of the WTO.</li> </ul>	Economies, Ministers, Geneva Caucus	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reaffirm commitment to achieving successful outcomes at WTO MC9 in Bali and instruct negotiators to re-double efforts to complete negotiations on trade facilitation, some elements of agriculture and development, including issues of interest to LDCs before MC9.</li> </ul>	Economies, Ministers, Geneva Caucus	Dec 2013
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commit to build on the Bali package to achieve the full conclusion of the DDA and continue the negotiations to address the remaining DDA issues post-Bali while continuing to respect the Doha mandate and its development dimension.</li> </ul>	Economies, Ministers, Geneva Caucus	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work towards swift conclusion of negotiations to expand product coverage of the WTO Information Technology Agreement (ITA) before MC9, and also seek expanded membership of the ITA.</li> </ul>	Economies, Ministers, SOM, CTI, Geneva Caucus	Dec 2013
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commit to promoting green growth and seek practical, development-supportive, and trade-enhancing solutions to address global environmental challenges.</li> </ul>	Economies, Ministers, SOM, CTI	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commit to explore opportunities in the WTO to build on APEC's commitment to reduce tariffs on the APEC List of Environmental Goods by the end of 2015.</li> </ul>	Economies, Ministers, SOM, CTI	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to seek means of ensuring effective integration of developing economies into the multilateral trading system and to equally benefit from global trade.</li> </ul>	Economies	Ongoing
<b>Resisting Protectionism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commit to fight against protectionist measures and extend our standstill commitment until the end of 2016; reaffirm commitment to roll back protectionist and trade-distorting measures, resist inward looking policies and continue to exercise maximum restraint in implementing measures that may further hinder world economic recovery and expansion of international trade.</li> </ul>	Economies	2013-2016

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<b>Committing to playing a leading role in the global economic recovery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work together to build an open economy that is based on innovation, interconnected growth and shared interests to achieve robust, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth in the Asia-Pacific region</li> <li>• Promote action to change the region's growth model and to advance economic restructuring, including but not limited to, structural reform, APEC growth strategy, urbanization, innovation, and food security.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, SCE, EC, CTI, PSU	2014
		Economies, SOM, FMM, FDM, FSOM, SCE, EC, CTI, PPSTI, ATCWG, PPFS, related Working Groups, PSU	2014
<b>Financial Stability</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement prudent and responsible macroeconomic policies to ensure mutually reinforcing effects of growth and to maintain economic and financial stability in the region, and prevent negative spillover effects.</li> <li>• Work to achieve stronger and sustainable recovery by, among others, ensuring fiscal sustainability, building human capacity through education and training, boosting domestic sources of growth, increasing domestic savings, providing sources of trade financing and enhancing competitiveness.</li> <li>• Encourage financial institutions to enhance trade financing and continue to support trade in the Asia-Pacific region.</li> </ul>	Economies, FMM, FDM, SFOM, SOM	2014
		Economies, FMM, FDM SFOM, SOM	2014
		Economies, FMM, FDM, SFOM, SOM	2014
<b>Bogor Goals</b>			
<b>Bogor Goals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remain committed to achieving the Bogor Goals of free and open trade and investment by 2020.</li> <li>• Instruct officials to review in 2014, progress towards the Bogor Goals by providing complete information in the Individual Action Plans as directed by the Bogor Goals Progress Report Guidelines endorsed in 2011.</li> <li>• Continue to ensure that our regional economy is resilient, that our growth is inclusive, that our economies become ever more connected and that our people share equitable benefit from our secure and sustainable growth (RICES).</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM/CTI	On-going until 2020
		Economies, SOM/CTI	2014
<b>Trade and Investment Liberalization, Regional Economic Integration</b>			
<b>Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP) and Addressing Next Generation Trade and Investment Issues</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reaffirm commitment to achieving an FTAAP, including by continuing APEC's work to provide leadership and intellectual input into the process of regional economic integration.</li> <li>• Play an important role in coordinating information sharing, transparency, and capacity building. Conduct a policy dialogue on regional RTAs/FTAs and enhance communication among regional RTAs/FTAs, as well as increase the capacity of APEC economies to engage in substantive negotiations.</li> </ul>	SOM, Economies, CTI	2014 and ongoing
		SOM, Economies, CTI	2014

<b>Work Program</b>	<b>Actions Required</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advance actions to address the 2011 and 2012 next generation trade and investment issues, including by finalizing the APEC Innovation and Trade Implementation Practices as soon as possible. Identifying additional next generation trade and investment issues for work in 2014 and beyond.</li> </ul>	SOM, Economies, CTI	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advance the Regional Economic Integration (REI) Capacity-building Needs Initiative (CBNI) Action Plan Framework including in the areas of non-conforming measures, government procurement, safeguards, and dispute settlement proceedings, towards realizing an FTAAP.</li> </ul>	CTI	2014
<b>Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue ongoing work to increase the transparency of services trade-related regulations as well as identify good practices to facilitate services trade and investment and foster the development of open services markets.</li> <li>Encourage further development of the APEC Services Trade Access Requirements (STAR) Database.</li> <li>Encourage further engagement between government, private sector and academia to address impediments to services trade growth in the Asia-Pacific region, including through conducting public-private dialogues in the future.</li> </ul>	CTI/GOS  CTI/GOS  CTI/GOS	2014  2014  2014
<b>Facilitating Investment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage economies to strengthen ways and means to increase investment flows and maintain economic growth in the Asia-Pacific including implementation of the APEC Investment Facilitation Action Plan (IFAP) and advancing Public-Private Dialogue on Investment.</li> <li>Encourage officials to work with the private sector to build and improve upon Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) practices and sustainable investment.</li> </ul>	Economies, CTI/IEG  CTI/IEG	2014  2014
<b>Promoting Green Growth</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Focus capacity building efforts where needed as economies implement the APEC Leaders' commitment to reduce tariffs on the 54 products in the APEC List of Environmental Goods to 5% or less by 2015.</li> <li>Instruct officials to use the new APEC Public-Private Partnership on Environmental Goods and Services (PPEGS) as a platform for enhanced dialogue in this sector; undertake the first meeting of the PPEGS and the dialogue on clean and renewable energy in 2014.</li> <li>Commit to strengthening regional cooperation on trade and environmental matters in the region and to share best practice for RTAs in this area.</li> <li>Carry out a PSU study to explore trade in goods which contribute to</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, CTI, SCE  CTI, SOM  Economies, Ministers, SOM, CTI  SOM, CTI, PSU	2014-2015  2014  2014  2014

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	sustainable and inclusive growth through rural development and poverty alleviation.		
<b>Automotive Dialogue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop ways to facilitate trade and investment in green automotive technologies.</li> </ul>	CTI/AD	2014
<b>Life Sciences</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to align and strengthen regulatory procedures for medical products (both drugs and devices) according to international best practices; promote regulatory sciences through the establishment of an Innovative Center of Excellence for the evaluation of multi-regional clinical trials, partnering with the World Health Organization (WHO) on the development of a Good Review Practices document and implement the multi-year roadmap on medical product quality and supply chain integrity. Support ways that APEC can contribute to building innovative capacity in medical life sciences, for example in regulatory sciences and the commercialization of research.</li> </ul>	CTI/LSIF	2014
<b>Chemical Dialogue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take forward the Chemical Regulator's Forum Action Plan for 2014 to 2015, work on regulatory cooperation and convergence; participate in the establishment of the global non mandatory list of chemicals classified according to the Global Harmonized System of classification and labeling of chemicals (GHS) lead by the UN Sub-Committee of Experts on GHS; strengthen industry's role as an innovative solutions provider; and promote chemical product stewardship, safe use and sustainability.</li> </ul>	CTI/CD	2014
<b>Promoting Connectivity</b>			
<b>APEC Framework On Connectivity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a blueprint based on agreed benchmarks or targets, detailing areas for multi-year cooperation and activities towards a seamlessly and comprehensively connected and integrated Asia Pacific, and establish a timeframe for regular reviews of achievements. The blueprint will include physical, institutional and people-to-people connectivity elements.</li> </ul>	SOM, CTI, Economies	2014
<b>Physical Connectivity</b>			
<b>Promoting Infrastructure Development and Investment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and implement additional capacity building activities on the 4 workstreams under the APEC Multi-Year Plan on Infrastructure Development and Investment that will assist economies to promote sustainable and resilient infrastructure development and investment: <b>Work-stream 1</b></li> <li>Work to foster a business friendly environment for infrastructure development and investment, through a solid regulatory framework that minimizes uncertainty and maximizes transparency and</li> </ul>	SOM, CTI, SFOM, Economies  Economies, SOM, SFOM, CTI, IEG, EC,	2013-2016  2013-2016

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	<p>predictability. Eliminate trade barriers impeding supply chain performance.</p>		
	<p><b>Work-stream 2:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to develop and refine existing integrated planning mechanisms.</li> </ul> <p><b>Work-stream 3:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to develop government capacity to identify and generate a pipeline of bankable infrastructure projects.</li> <li>Establish a pilot Public Private Partnership (PPP) Centre in Indonesia to assess infrastructure projects to receive private finance and guide the successful execution of PPP projects. The APEC PPP Experts Advisory Panel will assist with the establishment of the PPP centre.</li> </ul> <p><b>Work-stream 4:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to develop or further improve financing and funding environment to encourage long term investors.</li> </ul>	<p>Economies, SOM, SFOM, IEG, EC</p> <p>Economies, IEG, EC, SOM, SFOM</p> <p>Economies, Indonesia, SFOM</p> <p>FMM, SFOM</p>	<p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p> <p>2013-2016</p>
<b>Transport and Transport Infrastructure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advance logistics and transport facilitation and further collaboration by relevant fora in APEC to promote well-designed, sustainable and resilient transportation infrastructure, as well as convenient, efficient, safe, secure, and sustainable transport in the region.</li> </ul>	SOM, TPT WG, CTWG	2014
<b>Institutional Connectivity</b>			
<b>Supply Chain Connectivity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accelerate work to achieve a 10% improvement in supply-chain performance by 2015 in terms of time, cost, and uncertainty, while taking into consideration individual economy's circumstances, including by advancing the systematic approach to improving supply chain performance.</li> <li>Complete diagnostic reports for all eight Supply Chain Connectivity Framework Action Plan choke points; Develop targeted and focused capacity-building plan to assist economies, particularly developing economies, to implement their trade facilitation and supply chain commitments and overcome specific obstacles in enhancing supply chain performance.</li> <li>Encourage officials to explore what more can be done to facilitate mutual compatibility amongst data standards frameworks, and the compatibility of economies' frameworks with the use of global data</li> </ul>	<p>Economies, CTI/MAG, SCSC, SCCP, ECSG, TPTWG, EWG, SFOM, SMEWG, TELWG</p> <p>Economies, SOM, CTI/MAG, SCSC, SCCP, ECSG, TPTWG, EWG, SFOM, SMEWG, TELWG</p> <p>Economies, SOM, CTI</p>	<p>Towards 2015</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>

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	standards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish the APEC Trade and Investment Liberalization Sub-Fund on Supply Chain Connectivity and encourage contributions of necessary resources to execute this capacity-building plan.</li> <li>Expand trade routes and corridors, and strengthen regional quality transportation networks, including roads, railroads, ports and airports; taking into account the efforts to synergize APEC works with the existing sub-regional frameworks and plans.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, CTI, BMC, APEC Secretariat  SOM, Economies, CTI, TPT WG	2014  2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advance cross border energy networks and interconnections; achieve universal and high-speed broadband access.</li> <li>Promote global value chain development and cooperation in APEC region on the basis of previous work on connectivity.</li> </ul>	SOM, Economies, TEL WG, ECSG  Economies, SOM CTI	2014  2014
<b>Advancing Regulatory Coherence and Cooperation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhance regulatory coherence and cooperation and strengthen the implementation of good regulatory practices.</li> <li>Continue to progress the 2011 commitment to strengthen implementation of good regulatory practice by ensuring internal coordination of rule-making, assessing the impact of regulations, and conducting public consultations on proposed regulations.</li> <li>Carry out capacity-building and information sharing activities on voluntary basis, taking into account different economies' circumstances; and report on progress in 2014 and 2015.</li> <li>Update the "Baseline Study of Good Regulatory Practices in APEC Member Economies.</li> <li>Explore the possibility of using additional tools to strengthen implementation of good regulatory practices, including single on-line locations for regulatory information, prospective regulatory planning, including regulatory agendas, and retrospective reviews of existing regulations. Instruct officials to develop capacity-building programs to assist APEC economies in improving their understanding on these tools.</li> </ul>	CTI/SCSC, EC  SOM, EC, CTI/SCSC  SOM, EC, CTI/SCSC  SOM, EC, CTI/SCSC  SOM, Economies, CTI/SCSC, EC	2014  AMM 2014 AMM 2015  AMM 2014 AMM 2015  By SOM 3 2015  2014
<b>APEC New Strategy for Structural Reform (ANSSR)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advance the 2010 APEC New Strategy for Structural Reform (ANSSR), including through sharing best practice. Instruct officials to build more effective and targeted capacity-building initiatives to assist economies to achieve their individual ANSSR targets by the end of 2015.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, EC, HRDWG, SMEWG, PPWE, SFOM	Towards 2015
<b>Ease of Doing Business (EoDB)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue work to make doing business in the APEC region cheaper, faster and easier to do business by 2015. Continue capacity-building</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, EC, CTI/SCCP	Towards 2015

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	<p>activities to assist economies achieve the aspirational goal of a 25 % improvement in EoDB by 2015.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue exploring implementation of a one stop shop for online transactions, provide procedures and services to open a business and other procedures and services required to export and e-commerce across boundaries to promote the ease of doing business.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, CTI/ECSG	2014
<b>APEC Regulatory Cooperation Advancement Mechanism (ARCAM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take forward work under the revised APEC Regulatory Cooperation Advancement Mechanism (ARCAM) on Trade-Related Standards and Technical Regulations including discussions on electric vehicles as the topic for the 2014 ARCAM Dialogue and progress work on advertising standards in the region.</li> <li>Build mechanisms and institutions that help citizens to reduce the costs of obtaining information on fiscal policy and foster transparency and promote public accountability.</li> </ul>	CTI, SOM, Economies  SOM, Economies	2014  2014
<b>Enhancing Customs Procedures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modernize trade-related as well as customs and border agencies, including by progressing the development of Single Window Systems in APEC economies.</li> <li>Continue to build capacity to implement Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programs throughout the APEC region in line with the WCO/APEC SAFE Framework of Standards and further implement capacity-building activities and sharing of best practices to address at-the-border barriers.</li> </ul>	CTI/SCCP  CTI/SCCP/SCSC/TPTWG	2014  2014
<b>Cross-Border Privacy Rules</b>	Encourage economies' participation in the Cross Border Privacy Rules (CBPR) System on a voluntary basis, as agreed by APEC Leaders in 2011.	CTI/ECSG	2014; Ongoing
<b>Cross-Border Education Cooperation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress the 2012 commitment to promote cross-border education on a voluntary basis consistent with individual economies' circumstances, to access education and training services, strengthen regional ties, contribute to the creation of better quality jobs, bolster productivity growth and further promote economic growth through actionable cooperation.</li> <li>Take forward the implementation and development of the Work Plan on Promoting Cross-Border Education Cooperation through related activities that support the promotion of cross-border education cooperation from across relevant APEC for a, on a voluntary basis and consistent with individual economies' circumstances.</li> <li>Undertake to achieve a target of 1 million intra-APEC university-level students per year by 2020, and support further work to enhance the</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, HRDWG, GOS  Economies, SOM, HRDWG, GOS  HRDWG, Economies	2014  2014  2014

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	mobility of students, researchers, and education providers, and the network of existing bilateral agreements.		
<b>Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote cross border financial cooperation; and expand the application of safe and trusted ICT and e-commerce environment.</li> </ul>	Economies, CTI/ECSG	2014
<b>People-To-People Connectivity</b>			
<b>Travel Facilitation Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress work on the Travel Facilitation Initiative including making travel more accessible, convenient, efficient, safe and secure.</li> </ul>	Economies, TWG , BMG, TPTWG, CTTF, SCCP	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expand the facilitation of movement of people, including tourists, business people, professionals, workers, women and youth.</li> </ul>	TWG, BMG, Economies	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commit to further enhance the APEC Business Travel Card scheme.</li> </ul>	BMG	2014
<b>Emergency Response Travel Facilitation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Take forward work on the Emergency Response Travel Facilitation (ERTF) initiative to ensure the ease of mobility for emergency responders and equipment; and involve the business community in post disaster business recovery.</li> <li>Develop a work plan on ERTF and include ERTF as a continuing working agenda item in relevant APEC fora.</li> </ul>	EPWG, BMG, SCCP	2014
<b>Promoting Joint Endeavors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop programs to encourage greater and regular involvement and engagement of youth in APEC.</li> </ul>	Economies, HRDWG	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhance engagement with academics and study centers to broaden perspectives and give more depth to discussions in APEC.</li> </ul>	Economies	2014
<b>Sustainable Growth with Equity</b>			
<b>Women</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expand women's participation in the economy by creating an enabling environment through the development of gender-related structural reform measures, improved ICT training support, the equal access to quality education and employment opportunities and greater access to market.</li> <li>Prioritize Integration of gender considerations across APEC activities, acknowledging the cross-cutting nature of women's participation in the economy, including with greater private sector engagement.</li> </ul>	PPWE, EC, PPSTI, HRDWG, SMEWG, other related fora Economies	2014
<b>Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhance SMEs' global competitiveness by improving access to finance, markets and trade finance instruments, supporting entrepreneurship, accelerating the growth of start-ups, strengthening capacities for business continuity planning (BCP) and empowering SMEs to expand to international markets and to participate in global supply chains.</li> </ul>	SMEWG	2014

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote responsible innovative approaches to increase financial eligibility and inclusion of the poor and SMEs. Improve delivery channels to extend the benefit of financial services to those lacking access to financial systems.</li> <li>Promote the development of women-owned SMEs through the development of entrepreneurial culture, greater access to market and financial services including capital.</li> </ul>	SMEWG, SFOM, FMM,  SMEWG, PPWE	2014
<b>Food Security and Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Address the nexus of water, energy and food security through the promotion of integrated policies and collaborative approaches.</li> <li>Implement the APEC Food Security Road Map Towards 2020 to enhance supply chain connectivity, achieve efficiencies, reduce post-harvest losses and waste, and improve the food system structure. Implement an operational Business Plan.</li> <li>Reiterate pledge against protectionism, recognizing that bans and other restrictions on food exports may cause price volatility, especially for economies that rely on imports of staple products.</li> <li>Promote the crucial role of farmers and fishers, particularly small holders and women, in achieving food security by strengthening their capacities, to take an important role in the supply chain, and creating a solid partnership between government and private sector.</li> <li>Strengthen cooperation in achieving sustainable food security through the implementation of the Niigata Declaration 2010 and Kazan Declaration 2012, including through the Policy Partnership on Food Security (PPFS). Share best practices through Asia-Pacific Information Platform on Food Security (APIP).</li> <li>Work towards comprehensive technical approaches to assist and build the capacity of SMEs to apply and enhance compliance of food safety standards to improve the competitiveness of SMEs, facilitate trade and increase food safety.</li> <li>Continue efforts of the Food Safety Cooperation Forum (FSCF) and its Partnership Training Institute Network (PTIN) in developing food safety capacity, strengthening food supply-chains in the region and complementing the efforts in the alignment of domestic regulations with international standards.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM  PPFS, Economies  Economies, PPFS, CTI, ATCWG, OFWG  Economies, PPFS, ATCWG, OFWG  Economies, PPFS, ATCWG, OFWG  CTI/SCSC, SMEWG  CTI/SCSC-FSCF, PTIN	2014  Towards 2020  2014 and beyond  2014  2014 and beyond  2014  2014
<b>Agricultural Biotechnologies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote the sharing of information and experience on the creation and fostering of science-based regulations, and identify applications of agricultural biotechnology that address the environmental, food, and health challenges in member economies.</li> </ul>	ATCWG, HLPDAB, PPFS, CTI/SCSC; HWG	2014

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote science-based risk assessments and transparent decision making consistent with domestic laws as part of the continuing effort to educate the public about the importance of global food security of providing farmers with production choices, including agricultural biotechnology.</li> <li>Direct the HLPDAB to develop a platform to share information on policy and innovative technologies, appropriate for small farmers' use and encourage officials to conduct risk communication outreach to improve public understanding on agricultural biotechnology.</li> </ul>	<p>Economies, ATCWG, HLPDAB, PPFS</p> <p>HLPDAB</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
<b>Ocean-Related Issues</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pursue cross-sectoral work under the APEC Initiative on Mainstreaming Ocean-related Issues.</li> <li>Develop and implement the work plan to promote ocean-related issues in APEC including cooperation on exchanging best practices in combating Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing; sustainable fisheries management and trade, including trade in sustainably harvested fisheries products and aquaculture; new and renewable energy; tourism; science and technology; transportation and marine connectivity.</li> </ul>	<p>SCE, OFWG, PPFS, EWG, TWG, TPTWG, PPSTI, Economies</p> <p>SCE, OFWG, PPFS, CTI, EWG, TWG, TPTWG, Economies</p>	<p>2014 and beyond</p> <p>2014</p>
<b>Energy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue work to develop sustainable investment and development of clean and renewable energy technologies through public-private partnerships. Promote energy security and efficiency and lowering of greenhouse gas emissions, with the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) as a notable example.</li> <li>Encourage concrete actions to facilitate the development of clean, renewable and sustainable energy use through (i) Boosting Investments in Clean Energy and Renewables, (ii) Capacity Building and Technical Cooperation, (iii) Fostering Cooperation on Clean and Renewable Energy Development Projects, and (iv) Enhancing Energy Efficiency to Support Sustainable Cities, Communities and Industries.</li> <li>Enhance and balance the share of cleaner fossil fuels, such as natural gas and the use of clean coal technology, in the energy mix that would help to reach energy sustainability in the Asia-Pacific region.</li> <li>Strengthen technical capabilities in sustainable energy development, sharing of knowledge and best practices and cooperation in engaging in optimum and sustainable bio-energy development projects.</li> <li>Expand engagement with APEC fora, Asia-Pacific Energy Research Center (APEREC), other organizations and networks, where</li> </ul>	<p>Economies, EWG</p> <p>Economies, EWG</p> <p>Economies, EWG</p> <p>Economies, EWG</p> <p>EWG</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>

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	<p>appropriate, to strengthen mutual cooperation on energy, clean and renewable energy, energy efficiency, private sector investments in clean and renewable energy and supporting supply chains. Develop a comprehensive Work Plan of APEC projects to help implement the above concrete actions.</p>		
<b>Energy Efficiency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve energy efficiency, particularly in industries, consumer home appliances, equipment, buildings, houses, and transport sectors. Reaffirm 2011 commitment to aspire to reduce APEC's aggregate energy intensity by 45 % by 2035, using 2005 as a base year. Encourage officials, in close cooperation with private sector, to implement policies that improve energy efficiency, including capacity building initiatives, joint studies and harmonization of energy efficiency standards.</li> <li>• Continue efforts to support the Energy Smart Community Initiative (ESCI) to promote innovation for green growth through knowledge and best practice sharing.</li> </ul>	Economies, EWG	Towards 2035
<b>Rationalizing and Phasing-Out Inefficient Fossil Fuel Subsidies that Encourage Wasteful Consumption</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to build regional capacity to assist APEC economies to rationalize and phase out inefficient fossil-fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption, while recognizing the importance of providing those in need with essential energy services.</li> <li>• Take forward work on a Voluntary Peer Review Mechanism of inefficient fossil-fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption, and welcome the initiation of economy-owned peer reviews and use of the voluntary reporting mechanism.</li> </ul>	<p>EWG, Economies</p> <p>Economies, EWG</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
<b>Sustainable Development in Mining</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue efforts to bring together common concerns of APEC economies on sustainable mining and sectoral and regional improvement, promoting interregional trade and communication, cooperation and synergy with other regional groupings, such as the EU, by encouraging sharing of knowledge and experiences in mining and metallurgical business sector.</li> </ul>	MTF, Economies	2014
<b>Wildlife Trafficking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Combat wildlife trafficking by enhancing international cooperation through Wildlife Enforcement Networks (WENs) and other existing mechanisms, reducing the supply of and demand for illegally traded wildlife, increasing public awareness and education related to wildlife trafficking and its impacts, and treating wildlife trafficking crimes seriously.</li> </ul>	ACT, SCCP, CTI, SOM, Economies	2014
<b>Health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote sustainable healthcare systems that deliver universal health</li> </ul>	Economies, HWG	2014

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	<p>coverage, focusing on preventive measures to ensure healthy and productive societies, bearing in mind the different pace of aging among member economies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage in capacity building efforts and effective regional and global partnerships across the public and private sectors to address infectious diseases, control non-communicable disease, and strengthen public health systems.</li> <li>• Promote understanding on the safe and effective use of Traditional medicine and Complementary Alternative Medicines (TCAM) by integrating traditional medicine into healthcare systems in accordance with economies' priorities and legislation, and involving communities and strengthening public-private partnership, taking into account economies' circumstances.</li> <li>• Work towards zero new HIV Infections, zero discrimination and zero HIV related deaths, especially through HIV prevention programs in the APEC region.</li> <li>• Undertake a study on health care budget setting, allocation processes and technology assessment, and financing mechanisms in the region.</li> <li>• Form a consultative mechanism of relevant APEC groups and stakeholders, including SOM, SFOM, LSIF and HWG, to prepare for a high level discussion on ways to ensure sustainability of health financing systems.</li> </ul>	<p>Economies, HWG</p> <p>Economies, HWG</p> <p>Economies, HWG</p> <p>Economies, PSU, LSIF, HWG</p> <p>SOM, SFOM, LSIF, HWG</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p> <p>Towards 2015</p>
<b>Emergency Preparedness</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress work to ensure ease of mobility of emergency responders and their equipment to save lives in the early aftermath of disasters,</li> <li>• Improve cooperation in disaster risk reduction, including through the involvement of the private sector in business continuity planning.</li> </ul>	<p>Economies, EPWG, SCCP, BMG, SCSC</p>	<p>2014</p>
<b>Anti-Corruption</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advance greater collaboration among law enforcement authorities, in combating corruption, bribery, money laundering, and illicit trade, through the establishment of an APEC Network of Anti-Corruption Authorities and Law Enforcement Agencies (ACT-NET).</li> <li>• Reaffirm commitment to create ethical business environments that support sustainable economic growth, in particular by strengthening ethical standards and implementing APEC's high standard principles for codes of business ethics.</li> </ul>	<p>ACT, ACT-NET, Economies</p> <p>ACT, ACT-NET, SMEWG, Economies</p>	<p>2014</p> <p>2014</p>
<b>Science, Technology and Innovation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen cooperation among government, scientists, and business sector to promote science, technology and innovation (STI) in the region, and value policy discussions among the Asia-Pacific's Chief Science Advisors (CSA) and their equivalents in addressing common</li> </ul>	<p>PPSTI</p>	<p>2014</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>STI challenges.</li> <li>Advance work on science, technology and innovation including the participation of private sector.</li> </ul>	PPSTI	2014
<b>Labour and Social Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote inclusive growth and social protection in the APEC region through job creation, human resource development, active labour market policies, collaborations with all sectors including business, labour, women, and youth.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, HRDWG	2014
<b>Forestry</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reaffirm commitment to increase forest cover in the APEC region by 20 million hectares by 2020 as outlined by APEC Leaders in 2007.</li> <li>Strengthening efforts to combat illegal logging and associated trade.</li> </ul>	Economies Economies, EGILAT	Towards 2020 2014 and beyond
<b>Economic and Technical Cooperation</b>			
<b>Strengthen ECOTECH Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deliver a more strategic, goal-oriented, cross-cutting approach to economic and technical cooperation activities across APEC economies. Reaffirm commitment to continue leveraging ECOTECH activities to help developing economies achieve the Bogor Goals by 2020.</li> <li>Implement the twelve recommendations from the 2013 SCE survey and report to AMM next year and in future years.</li> <li>Continue to strengthen the coordination between APEC fora and streamline operating processes of SCE. APEC Secretariat to work out the recommendations for streamlining CTI sub-fora.</li> </ul>	SCE  SCE  SOM, SCE, APEC Secretariat, CTI	2014  2014 and beyond  2014
<b>Counter Terrorism Task Force</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transform the Counter Terrorism Task Force into a Working Group.</li> </ul>	SCE, CTF (CTWG)	2014
<b>Strengthening APEC</b>			
<b>Institutional Synergies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue collaborative, joint activities in areas of mutual interest with ASEAN, G20 and other key stakeholders.</li> <li>Discuss and make concrete suggestions on ways to enhance APEC's deeper engagement, mutual reinforcement, synergy and complementarity with international and regional cooperation fora and processes so as to ensure a more effective approach in solving complex cross-border challenges, as well as to seize opportunities, such as sustainable development and connectivity.</li> </ul>	Economies, APEC Secretariat, SOM	Ongoing  2014
<b>Enhancing the Role of the Private Sector in APEC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase constructive involvement of the private sector in APEC processes and encourage further substantial collaboration with ABAC and other stakeholders.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, ABAC	Ongoing
<b>APEC Support Fund</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Urge economies to continue making voluntary contributions to the APEC Support Fund to help support the implementation of targeted capacity building activities.</li> </ul>	Economies, APEC Secretariat, BMC	2014

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<b>APEC Secretariat</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement APEC Secretariat's 2014-2016 strategic plan. Further review the administrative and budgetary issues in APEC to improve effectiveness.</li> </ul>	APEC Secretariat, BMC, SOM	2014
<b>Ongoing Work to be Reported Annually (from 2012, 2011 and 2010 Taskings)</b>			
<b>APEC Leaders' Growth Strategy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to implement the Growth Strategy, focusing on the five attributes of balanced, inclusive, sustainable, innovative, and secure growth; and follow-up on the Action Plan that encompasses work elements on structural reform, human resource and entrepreneurship development, green growth, knowledge-based economy, and human security. Review progress toward implementing the Growth Strategy in 2015.</li> </ul>	Economies, SOM, CTI, EC, SCE	Toward 2015
<b>Supply Chain Connectivity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish within the economies that are part of the pathfinder commercially useful <i>de minimis</i> values in economies that will exempt low-value shipments from customs duties and streamline entry documentation requirements.</li> </ul>	Economies, CTI/SCCP	Toward 2015
<b>Regulatory Coherence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make progress on a strategic framework to achieve convergence on regulatory approval procedures for medical products by 2020.</li> </ul>	SOM, CTI/LSIF, HWG	Toward 2020
<b>Facilitating Regional Travel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement the APEC Travel Facilitation Initiative to make travel in the region faster, easier and more secure.</li> </ul>	SCE, CTI/BMG, CTI/SCCP, CTWG, TPTWG, TWG	Toward 2017
<b>Anti-Corruption and Transparency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue implementation of the APEC anti-corruption and open government commitments by 2014 through deeper cooperation in APEC.</li> </ul>	ACTWG	Toward 2014
<b>Financial Literacy and Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encourage the implementation of the OECD/INFE Guidelines for Financial Education in Schools and consider the participation in the Financial Literacy Measurement Programme for International Students Assessments (PISA) in 2015.</li> </ul>	Economies, SFOM, HRDWG	Toward 2015
<b>Human Resource and Entrepreneurship Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement the "Action Plan for Developing Human Resources, Vigorously Promoting Employment, and Achieving Inclusive Growth".</li> </ul>	SOM, HRDWG	Toward 2014
<b>Sustainable development in mining</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement the sustainable development in mining agenda to promote regional integration, foster investment, increase social responsibility, and promote innovation and environment advances in mining and metallurgy.</li> </ul>	MTF	Toward 2015
<b>Reducing Energy Intensity and Carbon Emissions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote technology development and deployment of a low-emission energy supply including carbon capture, storage and use, and renewable energy sources such as bioenergy from sustainable biomass sources.</li> </ul>	Economies, EWG	Toward 2035

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement the 2011 APEC Transportation and Energy Ministerial Conference Action Agenda to promote energy efficient and sustainable transport systems development, including municipal and railway transportation, gas and electric vehicles and more fuel-efficient conventional vehicles in order to reduce oil dependency and harmful emissions from transport</li> <li>Share the results of research and analysis and develop an Action Plan in order to achieve the aspirational goal to reduce APEC's aggregate energy intensity by 45 per cent by 2035 while noting that individual economies' rates of improvement may differ due to varying domestic circumstances.</li> </ul>		
<b>Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make efforts to promote confidence and trust in electronic environments globally by encouraging secure cross border flows of information, including electronic documents.</li> <li>Work with multi-stakeholders to continue efforts to expand and strengthen the Asia-Pacific Information Infrastructure and to build confidence and security in the use of ICT.</li> <li>Take steps to improve disaster preparedness, response and recovery through the development of ICTs and promotion of appropriate systems and technologies.</li> </ul>	<p>TELWG, CTI/ECSG</p> <p>TELWG, CTI/ECSG</p> <p>Economies, TELWG, EPWG</p>	<p>Toward 2015</p> <p>Toward 2015</p> <p>Toward 2015</p>
<b>Science, Technology and Innovation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize future Innovation Technology Dialogues (ITDs) to discuss key emerging technology markets and related technologies and prospects for their application in terms of addressing current challenges facing Asia-Pacific economies.</li> <li>Work with stakeholders to identify high-impact investments along the life course that will yield commensurate economic and social returns and report findings in 2015.</li> <li>Acknowledge and support collaboration among young scientists in the APEC region through the APEC Science Prize for Innovation, Research, and Education (ASPIRE).</li> </ul>	<p>PPSTI</p> <p>Economies, HWG,LSIF</p> <p>PPSTI</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Report in 2015</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<b>Policy Support Unit</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extend the mandate of the PSU for an additional seven years from 2014 to 2020 with a mid-term review to examine its strategic direction.</li> </ul>	PSU, APEC Secretariat	2017 (mid-term review)