

Does APEC Have a Distinct Role

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A Question of Relevance

- 1997 Crisis: APT, EAS
- 2005 Lowy Institute Report – based on analysis
- 2006 PECC State of the Region – based on survey

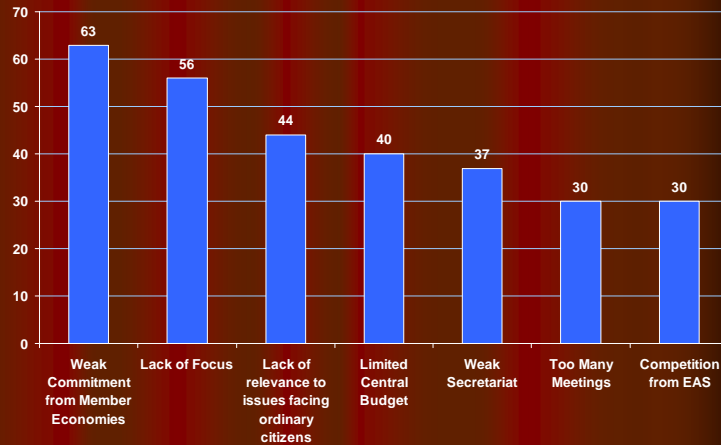
PECC Survey Profile

- Number of Respondents: 370
 - NGO: 20
 - Media: 9
 - Government: 68
 - Business: 91
 - Academic: 178
 - Other: 4
- Regional Breakdown
 - NAFTA: 61
 - North-East Asia: 113
 - South America: 66
 - ASEAN: 95
 - Australia/New Zealand: 35

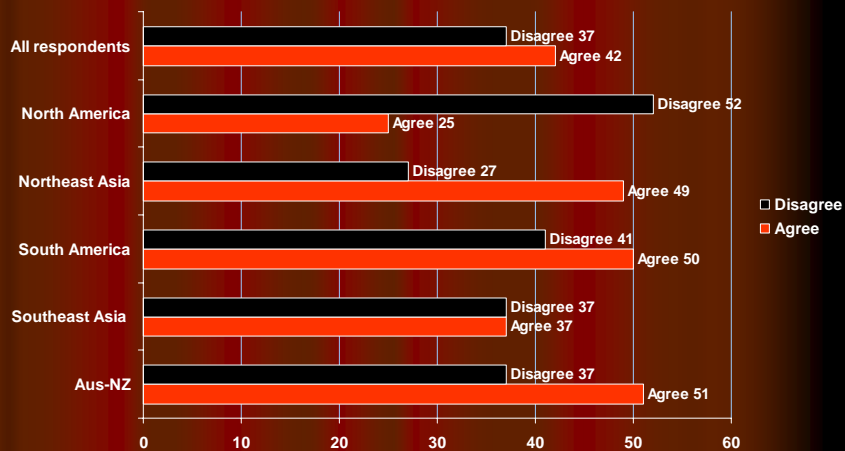
How effective is APEC in the following activities?

- Trade Liberalization 4 – 23 – 38
- Political Dialogue 4 - 24 - 36
- Economic Cooperation 8 – 24 – 40
- Leaders Discussion Ec Issues 21 – 35 - 26
- Community Building 7 - 21 – 38
- Building Reg'l Institutions 6 – 18 – 34
- Business Needs 7 – 25 - 35

Survey 1: Challenges Facing APEC

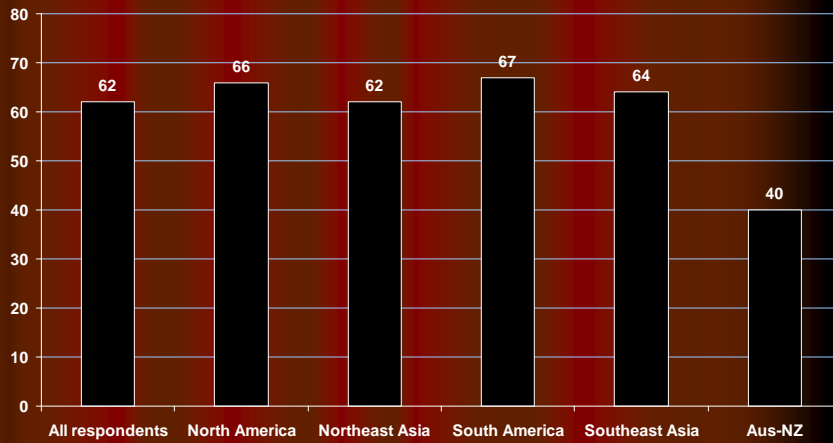


Is APEC As Important today as in 1989?

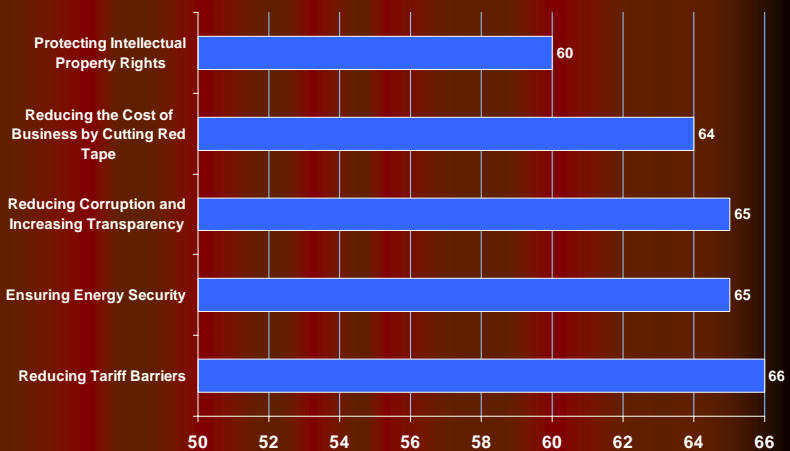


Should India Be in APEC?

Percentage in Agreement



PECC Survey: APEC Priorities



APEC Dreams

- Getting to Know You Better
- OPTAD
- Free Trade
- Development Cooperation

A Critical Formative Period: 1993-96

- Widened rather than Deepened – caucus to forum
- Heightened (APEC Leaders Meeting from 93)
- The Bogor Vision and Goals
- “APEC Means Business”

What is Needed

- Trans-Pacific Strategic Dialogue (Economic and Political)
- Venue for Bilateral and other Meetings
- Trade Liberalization and Facilitation to deepen WTO process
- Capacity building
- Deepened understanding of regional and global issues (bureacracies and wider public)

Some APEC/Architectural Issues

- How to deal with widening issue: permanent closing of membership?
- Future of Bogor Vision/Goals
- Scope of APEC cooperation and the Taiwan issue
- How to relate to subregional structures, including APT, EAS
- Unfulfilled dreams: Asian OECD, Development Cooperation

APEC's Distinctive Roles

- Trans-Pacific Dialogue
- Small and Large Powers
- Potential for consensus building on regional and global economic issues
- Vessel for cooperation
- Potential for capacity building

Beyond APEC?

- Architecture still evolving
- Large power dialogue (China, India, Japan, US + ? Asia-Pacific G-4
- The security structure
- Connections between 'APEC' and APT/EAS, SCO, NPCO, and ASEM, UN
- Pacific OECD or ADB?
- Difficulties of getting from here to there

Australian Year

- Get rid of the shirts!
- Secretariat/Budget enhancements (tinkering)
- Mid-term focus (2007-10) rather than year by year themes
- Move beyond business community
- Stay open on architecture