

*Strategies to Promote Structural Reform by Focussing
on the Drivers of Economic Growth in APEC*

Monday 21– Friday 25 May 2007

Pre-Course Reading Materials

In order to ensure that all the participants have the requisite background knowledge and relevant pre-course information, the following is a list of suggested pre-course reading materials. The two marked in bold are of particular relevance.

The Productivity Commission has general articles available on its website that may be of interest: <http://www.pc.gov.au/publications/index.html>

In particular, some of the articles that will be useful for the program include:

‘Structural Reform Australian-Style: Lessons for Others?’, Gary Banks, Chairman, Productivity commission, Presentation to the IMF and World Bank and OECD, May 2005:

<http://www.pc.gov.au/speeches/cs20050601/cs20050601.pdf>

‘Can Australia Match US Productivity Performance?’, Productivity Commission Staff Working Paper, Ben Dolman, Dean Parham, Simon Zheng, March 2007:

<http://www.pc.gov.au/research/swp/productivityperformance/productivityperformance.pdf>

‘Microeconomic Reform and Productivity Growth’, Productivity Commission, Workshop Proceedings, Australian National University, Canberra, 26-27 February 1998:

<http://www.pc.gov.au/research/confproc/mecrefpg/mecrefpg.pdf>

‘Policy Determinants of productivity Growth in Australia’, Bernard Wonder, Head of Office, Productivity Commission, Paper prepared for a conference in Manila, 23-24 November 2006:

www.eaber.org/intranet/documents/85/818/WPS_MAN_2006_9.pdf

‘The Drivers of Australia’s productivity Surge’, Gary Banks, Chairman, Productivity Commission, Paper presented at a conference in Canberra, March 2002:

<http://www.pc.gov.au/speeches/cs20020307/cs20020307.pdf>

Articles from the OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)

‘Regulation, Competition and Productivity Convergence’, Economics Department Working Papers No. 509. Paul Conway, Donato de Rosa, Guiseppe Nicoletti and Faye Steiner, 4 September 2006:

[http://www.ois.oecd.org/olis/2006doc.nsf/linkto/ECO-WKP\(2006\)37](http://www.ois.oecd.org/olis/2006doc.nsf/linkto/ECO-WKP(2006)37)

‘The Impact of Structural Policies on Trade-Related Adjustment and the Shift to Services’, Economics Department Working Papers No. 427. Per Mathis Kongsurd and Isabelle Wanner (Supervised by Sven Blondal). 18 April 2005:

[http://www.ois.oecd.org/olis/2005doc.nsf/43bb6130e5e86e5fc12569fa005d004c/b41b920c46e1959ec1256fea007cfff/\\$FILE/JT00182552.PDF](http://www.ois.oecd.org/olis/2005doc.nsf/43bb6130e5e86e5fc12569fa005d004c/b41b920c46e1959ec1256fea007cfff/$FILE/JT00182552.PDF)