

**STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE STRUCTURAL REFORM BY
FOCUSSING ON THE DRIVERS OF
ECONOMIC GROWTH IN APEC**

TRAINING PROGRAM

**21 - 25 May 2007
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*OVERVIEW OF THE
TRAINING MANUAL
CD*

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1 INTRODUCTION

This note provides background to the 'Training Manual' CD provided to all participants in the '*Strategies to Promote Structural Reform by Focussing on the Drivers of Economic Growth in APEC*' Training Program, held in Melbourne, Australia, 21 - 25 May 2007.

We encourage you to use the information on this CD on an ongoing basis. Where information from the Training Program is utilised, please appropriately acknowledge the Program and authors.

Program sponsor, AusAID, requires that programs delivered by the Australian APEC Study Centre not only build capacity but also provide sustainable outcomes for participating economies as they continue to strengthen their regulatory frameworks.

This CD-ROM has been designed to enable content from the Training Program to be presented on a module by module basis, so it can be tailored to suit your agency's circumstances and needs. In addition, reviews provided by your agency participants in the lead up to the Training Program, and reviews of issues raised by your agency's participants during the delivery of this program, have also been addressed in the content.

By providing both instruction to build capacity and responses to participating agency issues, this Training Manual CD acts as a valuable tool for both agency practitioners and Human Resource trainers alike.

Please note that all content contained in this CD is for your agency's internal training purposes only and cannot be used or published externally without prior permission.

There are several components to this note:

- Training approach
- Information on the CD
- Program sponsors and participants
- Further contacts

We hope your agency will put this quality resource to effective use, and suggest that if you have any queries or would like any advice regarding it's application that you contact the team at the APEC Study Centre or Program's Academic Coordinator, Tony Hinton.

2 THE TRAINING APPROACH

It is well recognised that additional benefits can come from Training Programs when participants are enabled to continue the learning process after the Training Program. This not only benefits the participants but can also substantially benefit the participant's co-workers when participants share their learning and experiences.

To encourage and support this sharing of knowledge, this Training Manual CD has been prepared. Its purpose is to support the Training Program participants in sharing their knowledge with their colleagues. It is therefore hoped that participants will be encouraged to take the opportunity to impart the knowledge gained and become local facilitators in their workplace.

All the materials presented during the Training Program are provided as well as supplementary materials. To give some insight into the intent of each session and to summarise some of the key themes that emerged from discussions during the sessions, session summaries are also provided.

The use of these materials is encouraged and we would be pleased to receive feedback on the use of the materials, as well as hearing of questions and issues that may arise in your own discussions.

3 SUMMARY OF INFORMATION ON THE CD

The CD contains the following information:

Main Directory:

- Training manual document. See the file:
Training Manual.pdf
- Training program (session summaries) document. See the file:
Program.pdf

Subdirectories:

- **Country Issues:** Input from each participating country was sought prior to the Training Program and brief presentations were made by each country at the beginning of the Training Program. Input received, the presentations and other supporting materials are contained in this sub-directory.
- **Pre-Readings:** A reading list was distributed to participants prior to the commencement of the Training Program and is included in this Directory.
- **Additional Readings:** Links to additional reading resources as presented by the faculty are available in the papers and presentations and a summary is included in this Directory.
- **Presentations and Papers:** Documents from all the sessions held during the Training program are provided. These are listed by topic and session number, and so can be indexed from the **Detailed Schedule** of the Training Program.

4 PROGRAM SPONSORS AND PARTICIPANTS

The strength of the Program is demonstrated by the diversity of the sponsors, supporters and faculty.

The primary sponsor of the May 2007 Training Program is the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID). The Training Program was managed and administered by the Australian APEC Study Centre.

Faculty for the Training Program are drawn from various entities, some of whom are members of the Advisory Board, for the Program as well as other supporters. Faculty members have been provided by the following:

Senior Australian Government officials: Treasury (x3); Productivity Commission (x3);
Statutory Appointments: Commissioner, Productivity Commission; Commissioner, Fair Pay Commission;
Senior New Zealand Government officials: Treasury;
International Organisations: OECD senior official
Academia: Professor, Melbourne University
Company Directors: Prime Life; Santos
Companies: National Australia Bank; Mercer
Consultants: x3

The experience of the faculty is demonstrated by a listing of their past positions, which includes (some are represented more than once) :

Australian Government senior officials: Treasury (including Secretary to the Treasury); PM&C; DFAT;
Statutory Appointments: Chairman, Industry commission; Commissioner, Productivity Commission (x2); Deputy Chair, ABC;
Diplomatic: OECD Ambassador; Treasury representative in London (x2), Paris, Brussels, Washington, Tokyo;
International Organisations: World Bank Executive Director; ADB Executive Director;
Academia: Professor, Flinders University.

This multi-faceted approach is a key strength of the Program, and provides a balanced, experienced, and pragmatic approach to the issues under discussion.

8 FURTHER CONTACTS

The academic and technical aspects and course content of the Training Program is directed and co-ordinated by Tony Hinton. Communications and comments with regard to the academic and technical program should be sent to Mr Hinton.

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The Program also has a dedicated website, which contains information about the Program.

Website address is: <http://www.apcc.org.au/event2.asp?event=44>