
Capacity Building to Enhance Structural Reform and Investment Flows in the APEC Region

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Pre-Program Reading Materials

In order to ensure that participants have the requisite background knowledge and relevant pre-course information, the following is a list (with links) of the two documents that participants should read before arriving in Melbourne. These will also help participants with their participation in the program and will prepare them for the discussions.

- **COMPULSORY READING: OECD, Policy Framework for Investment** – This sets out much of the background of the program.

<http://www.oecd.org/dataoecd/1/31/36671400.pdf>

The objective of the Policy Framework for Investment is to mobilise private investment that supports steady economic growth and sustainable development. It thus aims to contribute to the prosperity of countries and their citizens as well as to support the fight against poverty. The Framework proposes a set of questions for governments to consider in ten policy fields identified in the Monterrey Consensus as critically important for improving the quality of a country's environment for investment, including by small enterprises and foreign investors. Its core purpose is to encourage policy makers to ask appropriate questions about their economy, their institutions and their policy settings in order to identify their priorities, to develop an effective set of policies and to evaluate progress.

- **RECOMMENDED READING: OECD, Policy Framework for Investment: A Review of Good Practices** – Useful for participants to be aware of.

http://www.apec.org.au/docs/08_PFI_GP.pdf

The Review of Good Practices in OECD and non-OECD economies provides analytical background material on each of the ten chapters of the Framework.

- **RECOMMENDED READING: APEC Policy Support Unity: Handbook for “The APEC Voluntary Reviews of Institutional Frameworks and Processes for Structural Reform”** (See attached)

Prepared by the APEC Policy Support Unit, to facilitate the conduct of voluntary reviews of institutional frameworks and processes for structural reform.

Suggested readings for Session 3.4

The OECD has produced numerous publications that would be useful for participants to know about regarding state-owned enterprises and the privatisation of publicly owned assets. Two of these in particular relate mainly to Session 3.4, presented by Malcolm Bosworth from the Crawford School for Economics, Australian National University:

- **OECD Guidelines on Corporate Governance of State-owned Enterprises.** (See attached)
- **Privatising State-owned Enterprises: An Overview of Policies and Practices in OECD Countries.** (See attached)