

Improving supply chain connectivity across APEC economies through open and competitive services

Training program for officials from
Vietnam, China and Thailand

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APEC Member economies have recognised the crucial role supply chain connectivity plays in moving goods across borders. The role of efficient, open and competitive services in supporting this however, has not been directly addressed. It is not yet fully understood by policymakers.

Broadly-based policy approaches to supply chain connectivity are needed to reap the benefits of more open trade. Strategies to address impediments to trade imposed by lack of coordination in services at the border are required.

This program is designed to raise awareness among APEC developing countries of the economic gains from improving efficiency across the supply chain through liberalisation of services. It focuses on those services which directly impact on the free flow of trade at and across borders (such as warehousing, freight forwarding, cargo and port services).

It seeks to enhance the capacity of economies to develop integrated approaches to trade facilitation, and in doing so, improve trade, growth and development.

| Day 1 – Monday 27 September, 2010 (Hanoi) | |
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| Understanding the supply chain, services and trade: the importance of open and competitive services at the border | |
| 8.15- 9.00 | Registration and administration |
| 9.00 -9.30 | 1.1 Welcome and course opening <i>Mr Ken Waller, Director Australian APEC Study Centre & official from host economy</i> |
| 9.30 -10.30 | 1.2 Introduction to the program <i>Presentation: Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator, participant introductions</i> |
| 10.30 -10.45 | Morning tea |
| 10.45-11.30 | 1.3 Why is supply chain connectivity important? 1.3.1 Regulatory efficiency, transport costs and trade <i>Presentation: Dr Prabir De, Research & Information Systems for Developing Countries</i> <i>Panel: Mr Douglas Brooks, Asian Development Bank</i> |
| 11.30-12.15 | 1.3.2 The role of open and competitive services <i>Presentation: Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator</i> <i>Panel: Mr Ken Waller, APEC Study Centre</i> |
| 12.15- 3.00 | 1.3.3 The importance of supply chain connectivity for business <i>Presentation: Mr Gary Henderson, BDP International</i> <i>Panel: Dr Prabir De, Research & Information Systems for Developing Countries</i> |
| 13.00 -14.00 | Lunch |
| 14.00 -14.45 | 1.3.4 Supply chain connectivity, trade and economic integration <i>Presentation: Mr Douglas Brooks, Asian Development Bank</i> <i>Panel: Mr Gary Henderson, BDP International</i> |
| 14.45-15.15 | 1.4 What are the key services supply chain issues facing APEC economies? 1.4.1 Participant Group 1 (Vietnam) <i>Presentation on national issues/policy measures for services and supply chain connectivity</i> |
| 15.15 -15.30 | Afternoon tea |
| 15.30-16.00 | 1.4.2 Participant Group 2 (China) <i>Presentation on national issues/policy measures for services and supply chain connectivity</i> |
| 16.00 -16.30 | 1.4.3 Participant Group 3 (Thailand) <i>Presentation on national policy measures for services and supply chain connectivity</i> |
| 16.30 -17.00 | 1.4.4 Facilitated discussion with experts and participants <i>Participants; Mr Brooks; Mr Waller, Dr De, Mr Henderson (tbc) facilitated by Ms Bondiotti</i> |
| 17.00 -17.15 | 1.5 Summary: How are services important for supply chain connectivity? <i>Comment from Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator</i> |

| Day 2 – Tuesday 28 September, 2010 (Hanoi) | |
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| Services liberalisation and supply chain connectivity: economic impacts, development implications | |
| 8.45- 9.00 | Administration |
| 9.00 -9.45 | <p>2.1 What are the regulatory impediments to supply chain connectivity?</p> <p>2.1.1 Services liberalisation among APEC economies: port and auxiliary services</p> <p><i>Presentation: Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Mr Ken Waller, APEC Study Centre</i></p> |
| 9.45-10.30 | <p>2.1.2 Logistics costs and economic development: Indonesian ports</p> <p><i>Presentation: Dr Arianto Patunru, University of Indonesia</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Professor Hussein Lidasan, University of the Philippines</i></p> |
| 10.30-11.15 | <p>2.1.3 Regulatory impediments in auxiliary services : the case of BIMP-EAGA</p> <p><i>Presentation: Professor Hussein Lidasan, University of the Philippines</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Dr Arianto Patunru, University of Indonesia</i></p> |
| 11.15 -11.30 | Morning tea |
| 11.30 -12.00 | <p>2.2 What is the impact of regulatory impediments on supply chain connectivity?</p> <p>2.2.1 The costs of regulatory impediments: Indian ports</p> <p><i>Presentation: Dr Prabir De, Research & Information System for Developing Countries</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Mr David Jay Green, Asian Institute of Management</i></p> |
| 12.00 -12.30 | <p>2.2.2 The impacts of regulatory procedures on trade and growth</p> <p><i>Presentation: Mr Douglas Brooks, Asian Development Bank</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Dr Prabir De, Research & Information System for Developing Countries</i></p> |
| 12.30 -13.00 | <p>2.2.3 Implications for regional economic integration</p> <p><i>Presentation: Mr David Jay Green, Asian Institute of Management</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Mr Douglas Brooks, Asian Development Bank</i></p> |
| 13.00 -14.00 | Lunch |
| 14.00 -16.00 | <p>2.3 Priorities for improving supply chain connectivity and facilitating trade</p> <p><i>Group exercise involving participants in cross country groups, mentored by experts, to assess impediments and impacts and identify priority areas to be addressed.</i></p> <p><i>Presentation of results to the group and synthesis/facilitated session.</i></p> <p><i>Experts: Dr Patunru, Mr Brooks, Mr Green, Professor Lidasan, Dr De</i></p> |
| 16.00 -16.45 | Afternoon tea |
| 16.45-17.00 | <p>2.4 Summary: What are the impacts and implications of regulatory impediments at the border?</p> <p><i>Comment from Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator, with experts</i></p> |
| 18.30 -21.00 | <p>Evening networking function</p> <p><i>Hosted by the APEC Study Centre</i></p> |

| Day 3 – Wednesday 29 September, 2010 (Hanoi) | |
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| Improving supply chain connectivity through services liberalisation: policy options and approaches | |
| 8.45 -9.00 | Administration |
| 9.00 -9.45 | <p>3.1 Policy settings for open and competitive services across the supply chain</p> <p>3.1.1 “Best practice” services regulation and the role of government</p> <p><i>Presentation: Mr Ken Waller, APEC Study Centre</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Mr David Jay Green, Asian Institute of Management</i></p> |
| 9.45-10.30 | <p>3.1.2 Policies to improve connectivity: core elements and reform strategies</p> <p><i>Presentation: Mr David Jay Green, Asian Institute of Management</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Dr Henry Basilio, University of Asia and the Pacific</i></p> |
| 10.30 -11.15 | <p>3.2 Suggested approaches for policy makers to facilitate trade and improve supply chain connectivity</p> <p>3.2.1. Regional initiatives for supply chain efficiency – experience of the Philippines</p> <p><i>Presentation: Dr Henry Basilio, University of Asia and the Pacific</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Professor Mark Goh, National University of Singapore, University of South Australia (via video link)</i></p> |
| 11.15 -11.30 | Morning tea |
| 11.30-12.15 | <p>3.2.2 Policy initiatives for supply chain efficiency – the case of Singapore</p> <p><i>Presentation: Professor Mark Goh, National University of Singapore, University of South Australia (via video link)</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Dr Henry Basilio, University of Asia and the Pacific</i></p> |
| 12.15 -13.30 | Lunch |
| 13.30 -14.15 | <p>3.2.3 Services liberalisation in trade agreements- the WTO and FTAs</p> <p><i>Presentation: Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Mr Ken Waller, APEC Study Centre</i></p> |
| 14.15-15.00 | <p>3.2.4 Reform of the regulatory environment – the Australian experience</p> <p><i>Presentation: Mr Ken Waller, APEC Study Centre</i></p> <p><i>Panel: Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator</i></p> |
| 15.00 –15.15 | Afternoon tea |
| 15.15-16.00 | <p>3.3 Summary: Key messages and conclusions</p> <p><i>Presentation by Ms Kristen Bondiotti, Academic Coordinator; discussion with participants</i></p> |
| 16.00 -16.30 | <p>Participant evaluation</p> <p><i>APEC Study Centre</i></p> |
| 17.00 -17.30 | <p>Graduation</p> <p><i>Mr Ken Waller, APEC Study Centre</i></p> |