

Seminar on the Implementation of APEC Environmental Goods List Commitments

August 13, 2014
Beijing, People's Republic of China

Venue: Conference 6 (18th Floor), Building A, Beijing Hotel

Agenda

8.30 am – 9.00 am	Arrival & Registration
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Opening Remarks Moderator: Ms. Li Liping, Policy Research Center for Environment and Economy (PRCEE) <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mr. Yuan Qingdan, Deputy General Director, Policy Research Center for Environment and Economy● Dr. Liu Guozhi, Deputy Director, Ministry of Environmental Protection, China● Ms. Zhao Jie, Deputy Director, Ministry of Commerce, China
Session 1: Overall Situation of the implementation of APEC EGs List Commitments	
9:15 am – 10:20 am	This session will provide an overview of APEC economies' efforts to implement tariff reduction commitments on the APEC List of Environmental Goods, and elaborate the results from the 2013 survey on capacity building needs in this area. The overall situation of EGs cooperation will also be discussed in this session. <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Moderator: Mr. Bill McElnea, Director for Environment and Natural Resources, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mr. Carlos Kuriyama, Senior Analyst, APEC Policy Support Unit (PSU)● Mr. John Maughan, Project Manager, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)● Ms. Jane Drake-Brockman, Senior Services Advisor, Division on Market Development, International Trade Center (ITC)● Mr. John Larkin, APEC CTI Chair Discussion (Questions & Answers)
10:20 am – 10:35 am	Coffee Break
Session 2: Information sharing on experiences, plans and approaches to implement APEC EGs List Commitments	

10:35 am–12:00 am	<p>This session will be dedicated to hearing from economies, related industries and academic on their approaches to technical challenges in implementing APEC EGs list Commitments. It will also be an opportunity for economies to share past experiences and lessons learned in implementing tariff obligations under free trade agreements.</p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Mr. John Larkin, APEC CTI Chair</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Leck Kasemsuksakul, Director of Tariff Structure Division, The Customs Department, Ministry of Finance, Thailand ● Mr. Bill McElnea, Director for Environment and Natural Resources, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative ● Ms. Zhang Jiangping, Deputy Director, Ministry of Finance, China ● Dr. Shih-Fang LO, Chung-Hus Institution for Economic Research, Chinese Taipei ● Prof. Hikari Ishido, Chiba University, Japan <p>Discussion (Questions & Answers)</p>
12:00 am – 1:30 pm	Break
1:30pm -3:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Moderator:</u> Mr. John Larkin, APEC CTI Chair <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Wu Xiaojing, Divison Director, Customs Commodity Classification Center Shanghai Branch, General Administration of Customs, China ● Ms. Denisse Aneth Martinez Mejorado, Deputy Director for Industrial Goods, Ministry of Economy, Mexico ● Mr. Decy Arifinsjah, Director of International Custom, Ministry of Finance, Indonesia ● Dr. An Yingyu, Deputy General Manager of Overseas Division, Beijing Enterprises Water Group limited ● Mr. Jake Colvin, Vice President, Global Trade Issues, National Foreign Trade Council ● Ms. Wei Wei, General Manager of International Division, Sound Global LTD <p>Discussion (Questions & Answers)</p>
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Coffee Break
Session 3: What are Next Steps?	

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm	<p>In this session, economies, related industries and academic will share their views and develop recommendations on appropriate next steps of governments, given the presentations made that day, to ensure that EGs commitments are implemented by the end of 2015. Economies are also welcome to share their plans for implementation of APEC EGs list Commitments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Moderator: Prof. Yao Weiqun, Associate President, Shanghai WTO Affairs Consultation Center <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dr. Mariana Vijil Teyseyre, Research Associate at Foundation for International Development Study and Research (FERDI), France ● Dr. Zhang Bin, Policy Research Center for Environment and Economy (PRCEE) <p>Open Discussions (Economies who have not shared their experiences, plans and approaches in Session 2 are welcomed to present their implementation status or plans in this part.)</p>
5:00 pm – 5:15 pm	Closing