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SOM 3, 2019 Santiago, Chile
I. Elements of Presentation

1. Highlights in 2018
2. Completed Intersessional Works in 2019
3. EPWG Projects
4. Other Issues
1. Highlights in 2018

2018 APEC Ministerial Chair’s Statement
Emergency Preparedness and Disaster

We continue to promote disaster resilience by exchanging information on disaster risk communication methods and strategies to enhance knowledge and improve the efficiency and coverage of multi-hazard risk assessments and early warning systems, search and rescue, as well as encouraging research on the application of technology for disaster early warning and response.
2. Completed Intersessional works

EPWG Work Plan 2019

✓ Endorsed by EPWG in April 2019
✓ Endorsed by SCE at SOM 2, May 2019

Hold 13th SDMOF and EPWG 15th meeting in Chile, in August 2019
# 3. EPWG Projects in 2019

## PROJECT SESSION 1, 2019

### Overall Outcomes

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<td>Number of Concept Notes submitted</td>
<td>103*</td>
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<td>Number of Concept Notes approved in-principle</td>
<td>52</td>
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<td>Approval rate</td>
<td>50%</td>
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<td>Average approval rate (5 years)</td>
<td>42%</td>
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This table shows the Project Session 1, 2019 outcome for EPWG:

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<td>EPWG 01 2019</td>
<td>Reducing Risks and Coping with Climate Change along Coastal Areas: Workshop on Adaptation Strategies to Climate Change and The Role of Public-Private Collaboration</td>
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<td>EPWG 02 2019</td>
<td>Workshop on Enhancing Participation in Flood Disaster Preparedness through Community-based Hazard Mapping.</td>
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Tba – at 6 August. Project Proposals for Project Session 2 will be due on Wednesday 20 September.
This table shows the Project Session 2 outcomes for our group:

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<td>China, Japan, Chinese Taipei</td>
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<td>APEC Strategic Recommendations on Integrated Disaster Risk Reduction for Critical Infrastructures towards Resilience Construction</td>
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<td>Australia, Chinese Taipei, United States</td>
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### Project Session 2, 2019

#### Forum Outcome

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<td>Chile</td>
<td>Australia, Japan, Malaysia, Chinese Taipei</td>
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<td>Development of Good Governance, and Best Practices for Protection of Heritage Structures from Earthquake Disaster</td>
<td>Malaysia</td>
<td>Chile, Japan, Chinese Taipei</td>
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<td>APEC Disaster Risk Management Strategies to Support MSMEs Business Sustainability</td>
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**BMC Decision: 23 August 2019**
Tips for applying APEC Project

• Refer to the **Guidebook on APEC Projects** (Ed. 13)
• Use the **updated template** of CN and PP in 2019.
• Monitor the **eligibility criteria and fund priorities** specific to the fund that you are interested in.
• **APEC Scoring Template** may help you to understand how your concept will be scored.
• Prepare your answers (in advance) to the questions on **Outputs, Outcomes and Monitoring & Evaluation** in the Project Proposal.
4. Other issues

- Fora Assessment Program 2019
- EPWG Co-Chairs Selection 2020-2021
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- Fora Assessment Program 2019
  
  - At APEC SCE 2 in 2019, the Assessment Team recommended the 2018 standardized fora assessment program be terminated, including the independent consultant.
  
  - The assessment team, which consist of SCE members, is conducting the assessment.
4. Other issues

- Fora Assessment Program 2019
  - The Assessment team has received the survey outcomes from EPWG members.
  - The team is reviewing the result and will determine the next step at SCE meeting in SOM 3.
4. Other issues

- EPWG Co-Chairs Selection 2020-2021

**EPWG Term of Reference:**

- The EPWG will select two Co-Chairs for a two-year term (calendar years), on a rotation basis. A member economy should not serve more than one term as EPWG Co-Chair unless otherwise agreed by EPWG members, and no member economy should serve more than two consecutive two-year terms.

- The position of EPWG Co-Chairs will be on a voluntary basis. The new Co-Chair(s) will be selected by the EPWG at the last meeting before the incumbent Co-Chairs’ term expires or as otherwise agreed by EPWG members.
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