

## **SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation 2019 Work Plan**

1. Proposed Work for 2019 in Response to Leaders/ Ministers/SOM Decisions and SCE Priorities.
  - Provide policy recommendations that are related to ECOTECH groups, to SOM;
  - Review Medium-Term ECOTECH Priorities
  - Coordinate and supervise all ECOTECH-related Working Groups, Policy Partnerships, and Task Groups, including reviewing and recommending any fora's ToR revision to SOM;
  - Review the operation and effectiveness of the SCE;
  - Provide policy guidance on the ECOTECH agenda in the development of sub-fora strategic plans;
  - Continue to monitor the implementation of the Independent Standardized Fora Assessment Program;
  - Determine eligibility and score concept notes applying for funding under ASF sub-funds assigned to the responsibility of the SCE; and,
  - Consolidate the SCE Fora Reports and prepare annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers.
2. Strengthening coordination among and across sub-fora.
  - Promote cross-fora collaboration across APEC sub-fora, including through implementation of the 2016 Recommendations on Cross-Fora Collaboration together with the 2017 APEC Guidelines on Promoting Cross-Fora Collaboration;
  - Review and consider any possible options to make the SCE and SCE COW arrangements more effective;
  - Supervise or coordinate cross-cutting issues and specific initiatives assigned to SCE; and,
  - Consider options to coordinate the implementation of the 2017 APEC Action Agenda on Advancing Economic, Financial and Social Inclusion in the APEC Region, as directed by Leaders.
3. Expected Outcomes/Deliverables for 2019.
  - Implementation of Standardized Fora Assessment Program, including convening of the Assessment Team for 2019, and monitoring the assessment schedule for 2019 and 2020.
  - Consideration of new ways to strengthen cross-fora collaboration through the SCE process;

- Approval of the SCE sub-fora’s annual work plans;
- Review and approval of the Strategic Plans for those sub-fora with expiring strategic plans;
- Review and recommendation of the revised ToRs of certain sub-fora to SOM, including in connection with governance reforms agreed by SOM in 2017; and,
- Submission of the annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers at AMM 2019.