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## **APEC Cool Roof Study (Interim Update)**

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**APEC COOL ROOF STUDY  
(INTERIM UPDATE)**  
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## OBJECTIVES OF STUDY

- Compile information on experience of APEC economies with cool roofs (Background/technical study)
- Characterise the energy, GHG and air quality benefits (Modelling)
- Build capacity to implement cool roof technologies and policies in developing APEC economies (Policy context)

## WORK SCOPE/STRUCTURE



- Background/desktop research  
(scientific evidence, case studies, cool roof council/institutions, key suppliers/manufacturers, key researchers and experts)
- Modelling of potential benefits throughout APEC  
(consolidate available methodologies and data, select modelling scenarios, parameters, analysis of energy/cost savings)
- Policy evaluation and recommendation  
(barriers to implementation, analysis of local energy efficiency policy, gap analysis)



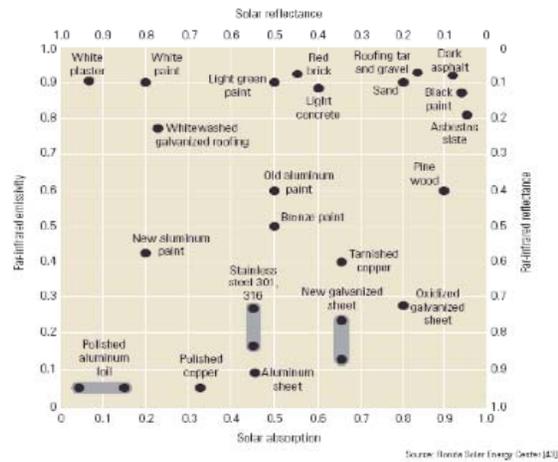
## TYPE OF ROOF PRODUCTS



- Low sloped roof - single ply membranes, bitumen, metal decking
- Steep sloped roof - conventional tiles
- Other types - coatings, paints



## TYPES OF ROOF MATERIAL



## EXPERT PANEL



- Objective: to facilitate implementation of cool roofs across APEC developing economies
- Three categories:
  - Technical experts (research, academia)
  - Product experts (manufacturers, roofing industry)
  - Policy experts (government agencies, Green Building Councils)

Focus on APEC Asian region but also international experts.

## TECHNICAL EXPERTS



- US      Lawrence Berkley, Oakridge,  
National Center for Atmospheric  
Research
- EU      Mediterranean institutions  
(University of Athens, Technological  
institute of Crete)
- Asia     Japan (University of Tokyo, Meiji,  
Musashi University, Tokyo  
Metropolitan Government)  
National University of Singapore,  
University Malaya, Universiti  
Tecknologi Malaysia  
Asian Institute of Technology

## PRODUCT EXPERTS



- Manufacturers
- Akzo Nobel
- BASF
- GAF Materials Corporation (USA)
- Centre for Environmental Innovation in  
Roofing(USA)

## POLICY EXPERTS



- Intergovernmental Agencies (UNEP, UN SBCI, World Bank, APEC, Asian Development Bank)
- National government agencies (US Department of Energy, Singapore Building Construction Authority, various national energy and environment ministries)
- Green building councils, Cool Roof Councils
- Academic experts

## SURVEY/QUESTIONNAIRE



- Ascertain views on cool roof industry in APEC developing economies.
- Questions to seek opinion on national policy initiatives (are they sufficient? What needs to be done?), what are the drivers and barriers for implementation of cool roofs.
- Survey academics, institutions, industry, government

## SURVEY STATUS



- Web-based survey sent to numerous participants.
- 18% response to date.
- Recurring issue is lack of available data, in particular long-term data on Cool Roof performance compared to other roof forms and payback periods.
- Most agree governments should do more to promote use of Cool Roofs, e.g. through tax incentives/subsidies
- Need for regionally specific modelling also cited

## MODELLING



- High level analyses
- Identify existing cool roof calculators/models (analyse their parameters, assumptions)
- ***Objective of modelling is to quantify the potential benefits (energy, costs, pollution) of implementing cool roofs in APEC developing economies through high level analysis.***

## MODELLING APPROACH



- Case study of Singapore.
- Simulate performance of cool roofs on building.
  - Key variables
    - Building type
      - typical landed residential
      - typical high rise residential
      - typical industrial/warehouse
    - Roof albedo
      - high
      - medium
      - low
- Output: energy savings



## NEXT STEPS



- Analyse results of Survey
- Complete Model simulations
- Analyse results of Modelling



### TIMELINE (8-10 MONTHS)



Work Scope	Timeline (month)											
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	
1. Background Research	█	█	█									
2. Establish network of experts			█	█	█							
3. Estimate savings				█	█	█	█					
4. Survey, and analysis							█	█	█			
5. Develop Model/ identify parameters							█	█	█	█		
6. Policy analysis									█	█		
6. Recommendations and Reporting										█	█	

### THANK YOU

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