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SCSC2 Highlights

SCSC2 was held during Senior Official's Meeting (SOM)3 from 8th-9th Aug in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea and members endorsed SCSC Thematic Priorities (for the future work)

- This priorities are part of of SCSC's TORs "Thematic Priorities 2018-2021".

Projects

Technical Infrastructure Development

- Project on "Best Practices Sharing of Standards & Conformity Assessment Implementation on Eco - design Products in APEC Region".
- Project on "Capacity Building on Testing Methods for Functionality Finishing on Textile Products and Certification Methods within the APEC Region.

Food and Product Safety

- Total of 8 Projects were reported on under Food and Product Safety lead by Peru(1), US(3), Australia(2), China(1),Chinese Taipei(1) and reports showed strong progress.

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Related sub-committee

23rd Joint Regulatory Advisory Committee Meeting was held in SOM3 (5th – 6 August 2018)

Workshop

One day workshop on Transitioning APEC Member Economies to ISO/IEC 17011:2017 Accreditation

Overall

- A number of SCSC activities and projects (such as the 12th Conference on Standards and Conformance) are being planned, undertaken and reported in the areas such as TBT/SPS and 6th VAP on alignment of international standards.
- Collective Action Plan (CAP) 2018 review remains uncompleted and will be done so intersessionally.
- Towards Public-Private Partnership: More Regulatory Coherence and Less Technical Barriers to Trade in APEC Region.