

1997 APEC Ministerial Decisions on Non-Member Participation

During the 9th APEC Ministerial Meeting in Vancouver, Canada in November 1997, APEC Ministers noted the increased non-member participation in Working Group activities following the adoption of the Consolidated Guidelines on Non-member Participation in Working Group Activities in November 1996. Ministers further endorsed the following SOM decisions on application of the Consolidated Guidelines:

1. Existing procedures for non -member participation in Working Groups should be made applicable to the Policy Level Group on Small and Medium Enterprises (PLGSME) and the Agricultural Technology Cooperation Experts Group (ATC); and
2. Non-members, including those who participate in Working Group activities, should not be allowed to attend Sectoral Ministerial Meetings.