

PSU Work Program as at 1 March 2025

ID	Name	Stakeholders	Action	Future Milestones	Due
Current Projects: Discrete					
ACT WG01	Technologies for Preventing, Detecting and Combatting Corruption (Issues Paper)	ACTWG	Submission of Draft Report✓ Submission of Draft Final Report Submission of Final Report	12 February 2025 April 2025 May 2025	Q2 2025
CTI66	Promoting the Utilization of Paperless Trade Platforms in the Post COVID 19 Era	CTI	Submission of Inception Report✓ Submission of Progress Report✓ Submission of Draft Report✓ Submission of Draft Final Report✓ Submission of Final Report✓	December 2023 April 2024 13 August 2024 18 December 2024 30 January 2025	Q1 2025
CTI68	Rules of Origin in Modern Trade Agreements – Trends and Challenges	CTI	Submission of Draft Report✓ Submission of Draft Final Report Submission of Final Report	20 February 2025 20 April 2025 16 May 2025	Q2 2025
EC35	Short Papers for APEC’s New Structural Reform Agenda 2026-2030	EC	Submission of drafts to EC1 2025✓ Submission of final papers	11 February 2025 March 2025	Q1 2025
EC36	Enhanced APEC Agenda for Structural Reform (EAASR) – Final Review Report	EC	Update of progress✓ Submission of Draft Report Submission of Revised Report Submission of Final Report	3-4 March 2025 Mid-June 2025 Mid-July 2025 August 2025	Q3 2025
EC37	2025 APEC Economic Policy Report: Structural Reform to Increase Participation in the Formal Economy	EC	Consultant appointment Economies to submit IERs & case studies Submission of first draft of main report Submission of second draft of main report Submission of final main report Endorsement by EC Submission to CSOM	End-March 2025 18 April 2025 June 2025 July 2025 September 2025 October 2025 October 2025	Q4 2025
GOS5	APEC Services Competitiveness Roadmap (ASCR) - Final Review Report	GOS SOM	Update of progress✓ Submission of Draft Report Submission of Draft Final Report Submission of Final Report	1 March 2025 May 2025 July 2025 September 2025	Q3 2025
IEG5	APEC Companies’ Best Practices on Long-term Foreign Direct Investment within APEC Economies	IEG	Economies to nominate case studies✓ Consultant appointment✓ Submission of Workshop Report Submission of Draft Report Submission of Final Report	May 2024 25 July 2024 End-March 2025 End-May 2025 End-June 2025	Q2 2025
IEG6	Research and Survey on the Dispute Prevention and Mitigation System in APEC Economies	IEG	Consultant appointment✓ Submission of Draft Report Submission of Final Report	21 November 2024 June 2025 September 2025	Q3 2025

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PPWE7	The APEC Women and the Economy Dashboard 2025	PPWE	Submission of Draft Dashboard Submission of comments and data by economies Submission of Final Dashboard	May 2025 June 2025 August 2025	Q3 2025
Current Projects: Ongoing					
EC29	EAASR Sub-fund Assessment Group	EC	Beginning January 2022, participate as a member to provide advice on concept notes	As required	As required
PSU1 PSU2 PSU40	StatsAPEC (statistics.apec.org): • Key Indicators Database • Bilateral Linkages Database	Member Economies	Released in July 2010; optimized for mobile devices in 2013; reskinned in 2020. • Biannual data updates • Revamp of portal✓	June, December 2025 January 2025	Ongoing
PSU11	PSU Policy Briefs	Member Economies	Policy Briefs on pertinent policy relevant issues	On needs basis	Ongoing
PSU38	APEC in Charts	SOM AMM	Beginning 2013, annual publication for AMM	October 2025	Ongoing
PSU39	APEC Regional Trends Analysis	SOM MRT AMM	Beginning 2016, biannual reports; from 2021, an additional two updates per year; from 2023, four issues per year	March, May, August, October 2025	Ongoing
SCE3	APEC Bio-Circular-Green (BCG) Award Selection Committee	SCE	Beginning 2023, PSU Director's participation in BCG Award selection committee	As required	As required
SOM17	Support to APEC Services Competitiveness Roadmap	GOS CTI SOM	As articulated in ASCR Implementation Plan (2016-2025)	As required	As required
SOM25	Support to Aotearoa Plan of Action, a plan for implementing APEC Putrajaya Vision	Committees SOM	As articulated in Aotearoa Plan of Action	As required	As required
Completed Projects					
CTI65	Study on Convergences and Divergences of Free Trade Agreements in the APEC Region	CTI	Report distributed – January 2025 Accessed: 690 times	Completed	Done
PPWE6	Empowering Tomorrow: APEC Women Entrepreneurs in Startups	PPWE	Report distributed – January 2025 Accessed: 1,200 times Blog: Empowering Women Entrepreneurs in APEC: Insights and Pathways Forward	Completed	Done

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PSU39	APEC Regional Trends Analysis	SOM MRT AMM	March 2025 Accessed: 120 times News release: APEC Growth Holds Steady Amid Uncertainty, Calls for Structural Reforms Blog: Steering the APEC Region Through Unprecedented Global Challenges in a New Era	Ongoing	Ongoing
Collaboration Matters					
	International and regional organizations and research entities	-	Establish and maintain contacts with international and regional organizations and research entities; pursue information sharing arrangements and joint work as appropriate	Ongoing	Ongoing
Communication Matters					
	Publications	-	Publication of PSU projects listed above; beginning 2012, annual publication on Research Outcomes: Summary of Research Projects	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Outreach	-	Participate in internal and external events and briefings for delegations; prepare email updates	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Online and social media channels	-	Maintain and update content on PSU webpages ; leverage APEC's social media channels	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Media activities	-	Prepare or contribute to news releases; participate in media interviews and news briefings	Ongoing	Ongoing
	Communication materials	-	Prepare or contribute to blogs, articles and videos Blog: Reaching Every Corner: Why Financial Inclusion Must Go Beyond Bank Accounts News release: Revamped StatsAPEC Unveiled with Improved Functionality	Ongoing	Ongoing
Management Matters					
	Staff	PSU	Recruit staff and monitor performance Manage workload of staff and consultants consistent with work program	Ongoing	Ongoing

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	Reports required by Governance Arrangements	PSU Board SOM	<p>Prepare a concise half-year evaluation report for the Board on work undertaken and expenditure and commitments</p> <p>As soon as practicable after each calendar year, the PSU must submit to SOM an annual report on the PSU's operations during the previous calendar year</p> <p>The Board will regularly report the outcomes of its meetings to SOM</p> <p>The PSU Director will regularly report on its activities to the Executive Director of the Secretariat</p>	<p>January and July to report on previous 6 month period</p> <p>As soon as practicable after audit</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Bi-annually</p> <p>Annually</p> <p>After each meeting</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
	Human resource review	PSU Board	Propose implementation of and implement recommendations from human resource review	Ongoing	Ongoing