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Trade Facilitation and Inclusive Growth

-Research of the APEC Policy Support Unit

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Five Core Areas of PSU Research



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1. Trade & Investment Liberalization and Facilitation

- APEC's Achievements in Trade Facilitation 2007-2010 – Final Assessment of TFAP II

2. Structural Reform

3. Connectivity including Supply Chain Connectivity and Global Supply Chains

- The 2013 Interim Assessment for Supply Chain Connectivity Framework Action Plan
- SME participation in GVC
- Economic Impact of Submarine Cable Disruptions

4. Economic and Financial Analysis

5. Sustainable Economic Development

1. APEC's Achievements in Trade Facilitation 2007-2010



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Background

- Following the conclusion of APEC's Second Trade Facilitation Action Plan (TFAP II) whose objective was the reduction of trade transaction costs by 5% between 2007 and 2010, the APEC PSU conducted an Assessment

Definition of trade transaction costs

Includes

+ time costs

+ the costs of the port and inland transportation links in the international logistics chain

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Two-tiered approach

- An aggregate measurement of total trade transaction costs
- Evaluation of four priority areas - Customs Procedures, Standards and Conformance, Business Mobility, and Electronic Commerce

Methodology for aggregate measurement

- For each APEC economy, the monetary costs and the time costs involving a single container of merchandise trade were estimated separately.
- These two estimates were summed to arrive at an estimate of the total trade transaction costs of a single container for the economy in question.
- The estimation process then used these results to calculate the annual trade transaction costs incurred for all merchandise trade in each economy.
- Used data from *WB and IFC, Trading Across Borders*

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Transaction costs (USD billion)

Result		2006 (before)	2010 (after)	% change
Export	Time spent	524	492	-6
	Fees and charges	61	66	6.9
Import	Time spent	532	498	-6.3
	Fees and charges	70	72	3
Total	Time spent	1055	990	-6.2
	Fees and charges	131	138	4.8

- There has been a 5% reduction in total trade transaction costs across the APEC region over the period of TFAP II, which resulted in total savings of USD 58.7 billion.

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Customs Procedures

- > 8.1% decline in the monetary value of the time taken in customs clearance and technical control between 2006 and 2010
- > The number of Approved Economic Operators (AEOs) in APEC increased by 26% between 2007 and 2009
- > Most APEC economies had either 100% electronic lodgement or increased the proportion of merchandise trade-related documentation lodged electronically between 2007 and 2009

Business Mobility

- > 38% reduction in business travel transaction costs, translating to total savings of USD 3.7 million within one year
- > 91% of ABTC holders rated their overall level of satisfaction with the scheme

Electronic Commerce

- > Progressing towards developing a consistent approach to information privacy protection across the region and towards assisting member economies to build capacity in domestic legislation
- > Completed the guidelines, directories and templates to create the framework for the implementation of a Cross-Border Privacy Rules system

Standards and Conformance

- > The number of economies reporting alignment with IEC standards rose from 12 in 2006 to 16 in 2010
- > The degree of alignment to a set of 168 IEC standards reported by APEC members rose to between 91% and 100% alignment in 2010 from a range of 55% to 100% in 2006

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Limitations due to unavailable data and assumptions

- The Trading across Borders data have limitations as noted by some APEC economies but the data is the most comprehensive and comparable indicators of transactions costs that are publicly available.
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Key weakness of aggregate measurement

- The report did not address the issue as to how much TFAP II has contributed to the outcome of 5 percent goal (**typical problem of attribution**).



SCI / SCFAP goal

- a quantitative target of improving the performance of time, cost and uncertainty of supply chain performance by 10% by 2015.

SCFAP measurement Framework: three- track assessment

- Internal indicators – track the degree to which actions are implemented
- External indicators – track the effects of those actions on measurable supply chain processes and outcomes
- Self-assessment survey – economies to detail actions taken and estimate the impact

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