



**APEC Structural Reform Capacity Building Workshop: Developing  
RAASR Individual Action Plans**

**1-3 June 2016**

**AGENDA**

**Meeting Room:** Bras Basah Room, Swissotel – the Stamford, Singapore

**Wednesday, 1 June 2016**

- 8:30-9:00am      **Registration**
- Welcome**  
Emma Cooney, Assistant Director – APEC Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)
- 9:00-10:00am      **Workshop overview**
- Facilitators:**  
Ben Shepherd, Principal, Developing Trade Consultants  
Kula Subramaniam, Managing Director, Just Change Management Consultants
- 10:00-10:30am      **Morning tea**
- 10:30am-12:15pm      **Session 1: The role of structural reform in addressing current economic challenges**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- Speakers:**  
Dr Denis Hew, Director APEC Policy Support Unit  
Dr Alexander Böhmer, Head, OECD Jakarta Office  
Mr Rory McLeod, APEC Economic Committee Chair
- 12:15-1:15pm      **Lunch**  
*Venue: Asian Market Café*

- 1:15-2:45pm      **Session 2: The importance of competition policy in structural reform**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- Speakers:**  
Mr Richard Home, General Manager – Economic Group, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission  
Dr Arsenio Balisacan, Chairman, Philippine Competition Commission
- 2:45-3:00 pm      **Afternoon tea**
- 3:00-4:15pm      **Session 3: Meeting tomorrow’s productivity needs through regulatory reform**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- Speakers:**  
Mr David Cavanough, Assistant Director – Economic Advocacy and Analysis Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia  
Mrs Nguyen Minh Thao, Head, Business Environment Division, Central Institute of Economic Management, Vietnam
- 4:15-5:30pm      **Session 4: Unlocking growth – the potential of the region’s services sectors**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- Speakers:**  
Dr Ben Shepherd, Principal, Developing Trade Consultants  
Dr Ramonette Serafica, Senior Research Fellow, Philippine Institute for Development Studies
- 5:30–5:45pm      **Day 1 wrap up**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- 6:00-7:00pm      **Welcome event**  
*Venue: TBC*

**Thursday, 2 June 2016**

- 9:00-9:15am      **Welcome and overview**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- 9:15-10:45am      **Session 5: Fostering innovation and entrepreneurship through structural policy settings**
- Facilitator:** *Ben Shepherd*
- Speakers:**  
Dr Peter Lovelock, Director, TRPC  
Mr Rory McLeod, APEC Economic Committee Chair
- 10:45-11:00am      **Morning tea**
- 11:00am-12:30pm      **Session 6: Developing RAASR Individual Action Plans**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- Speakers/experts:**  
Dr Gloria Pasadilla, Senior Analyst, APEC Policy Support Unit  
Mr Andre Wirjo, Analyst, APEC Policy Support Unit
- 12:30-1:30pm      **Lunch**  
*Venue: Asian Market Café*
- 1:30-4:30pm      **Session 6: Developing RAASR Individual Action Plans (cont.)**
- Facilitator:** Ben Shepherd
- Speakers/experts:**  
Dr Gloria Pasadilla, Senior Analyst, APEC Policy Support Unit  
Mr Andre Wirjo, Analyst, APEC Policy Support Unit
- Includes afternoon tea break*
- 4:30-5:30pm      **Session 7: overcoming barriers to reform**
- Facilitator:** Kula Subramaniam

**Friday, 3 June 2016**

9:00–9:15 am

**Welcome and overview**

**Facilitator:** Kula Subramaniam

9:15am-12:30pm

**Session 7: overcoming barriers to reform (cont.)**

**Facilitator:** Kula Subramaniam

*Includes morning tea break*

12:30-1:30pm

**Lunch**

*Venue: Asian Market Café*

1:30-4:30pm

**Session 7: overcoming barriers to reform (cont.)**

**Facilitator:** Kula Subramaniam

*Includes afternoon tea break*

4:30-5:00pm

**Final observations and next steps**

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