



Agenda item 14

**APEC Expert Group on C2C Advance  
(pre-arrival) Electronic Data Exchange  
(Russia and Chile)**

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**Progress of Work**



- Russia presented the proposal to establish C2C Data Exchange Group (SCCP2 meeting, Cebu, August 2015);
- Russia circulated the Questionnaire on Advance Electronic Data Exchange between APEC Economies (November, 2015);
- Russia presented the updated proposal on the Expert Group on Customs-to-Customs Advance Electronic Data Exchange (EGDE) (SCCP1 meeting, Lima, Peru 2016), Chile became co-coordinator of the Expert Group along with Russia;
- Russia and Chile circulated via APEC Secretariat Terms of Reference of the EGDE for intersessional discussion (June, 2016) and received comments from Singapore, Viet Nam, United States (Point 62 of the SCCP 1 Summary Report);
- Russia and Chile will submit the conclusions of the intersessional discussion and a drafted proposal on establishing EGDE to SCCP in August, 2016.



## Purpose & Objectives



The core objective of the group is to **“examine or explore”** the SCCP’s capacity to secure and facilitate the legitimate movement of trade through:

### I.- PHASE

Studying experience of interaction between customs administrations of APEC economies in the field of :

- ✓ requirements for C2C advance electronic data exchange;
- ✓ experience in current use of C2C advance electronic cargo and declaration data exchange;
- ✓ feasibility and benefits of C2C advance electronic data exchange in risk assessment and trade facilitation;

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### II.- PHASE

- ✓ **Survey of international legal instruments**, which will ensure the effective interaction between Customs Administrations of APEC economies and the actual agreements in the sphere of bilateral and regional cooperation between administrations, development of information exchange including the exchange of data base in the enforcement sphere, statistics data, data on customs value as well as other issues raised by the participants of the SCCP.

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**Questions and comments of APEC economies:**

**Chapter "Background":**

- to clarify the priorities and goals:

SCCP Terms of Reference: "The SCCP's goals within the APEC forum are focused on trade facilitation, trade security and related enforcement matters, taking into account the responsibility of each Customs Administration for the effective implementation of legitimate border measures".

- to achieve information exchange on a bilateral basis between Customs administrations:

Could be accepted and implemented into chapter "Purpose & Objectives" of EGDE Terms of Reference.



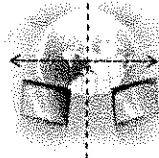
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- To introduce this topic in more fitting forums, such as the WCO:

- Studying experience of information interaction corresponds with the WCO tasks.
- WCO provides common recommendations on common ways of customs administration.
- Several regional projects (APEC, Mercosur, Southern African Customs Union) with more practical content which correspond with WCO recommendations are effectively functioning in the world.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SCCP CAP of use of API/PNR information;</li> <li>2. SCCP CAP of Harmonization of Tariff Structure with the HS Convention;</li> <li>3. SCCP CAP of Simplification and Harmonization on the Basis of the Revised Kyoto Convention;</li> <li>4. SCCP CAP of Risk Management Techniques.</li> </ol> |  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. WCO recommendation on use of API/PNR;</li> <li>2. WCO manages the HS Convention and work of WCO Harmonized System Committee;</li> <li>3. WCO manages the Revised Kyoto Convention and provides recommendation of its application;</li> <li>4. WCO SAFE Framework of Standards established basis for Customs Risk Management application.</li> </ol> |
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- to specify C2C advance electronic data exchange:

The task of the EGDE will be to discuss application of WCO Data Standards in Advance Electronic Data Exchange taking into account regional specific.

WCO Data Model 3.5.

The names and codes of goods in accordance with the Harmonized commodity description;	- Commodity classification;
Gross weight of goods (in kilograms);	- Total gross weight;
Information on the carrier, the freight forwarder;	- Carrier -- name;
The identifier of the consignment	- Consignee name;
Information on the country of departure, the country of destination of goods	- Consignor -- name;
Amount of goods	- Exporter -- name;
Loading and discharge	- Importer -- name;
Information on the sender, the recipient of the goods	- Brief cargo description;
	- Country of origin
	- Country(ies) of routing;
	- Total invoice amount;
	- Place of loading;
	- Place of discharge;
	- Buyer -- name;
	- Seller -- name;



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**Questions and comments of APEC economies:**

**Chapter "Purpose and objectives":**

- to clarify how the survey of international legal instruments would ensure the effective interaction between customs administrations of APEC economies and the actual agreements in the sphere of bilateral and regional cooperation between administrations:

The analyze of the best practices and development of methodology and standards of information exchange will contribute to fasten conclusion of bilateral agreements.

- to make proposals on technical requirements and data exchange standards would be the main task of EGDE:

The task of the EGDE will be to discuss application of WCO Data Standards and best practices in Advance Electronic Data Exchange taking into account regional specific.



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- to focus the exchange of information and data on targeted cases:

This could be also applicable.

- to specify tangible outcomes and deliverables of such an exercise:

- Study the scope of development of Advance Electronic Data Exchange in the APEC region;
- Analysis and determination of the best practices in the information exchange;
- Development of methodological recommendations for conclusion of such agreements and for the data structure taking into account regional specific.

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**Chapter "Composition and frequency of Meetings":**

- to discuss coordination and financial commitment due to expert officials that would normally be best suited for these dialogues do not normally attend APEC meetings:

There will be no additional budget except travel expenses of participants. The expert officials of customs administrations could submit the aggregated position of their authority.

- to include only interested SCCP parties into EGDE:

Could be accepted.

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Questions and comments of APEC economies:

Chapter "Institutional mechanism":

- EGDE reports to SCCP should be non-binding;

Could be accepted.

- to include a financial plan for EGDE's activities and exchange of data between members in the draft:

No additional financial commitment.

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## Proposals



- Chile and Russia to improve the EGDE ToR on the basis of APEC members' comments and to circulate it intersessionally;
- To discuss the possibility of conducting a survey of international legal instruments and current practices of Advance Electronic Data Exchange between APEC economies;
- To discuss Russia and Chile proposal on establishment of EGDE during the First SCCP meeting in 2017 in Viet Nam;

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## Proposals



To include the following extract into SCCP2 Summary Report:

"Russia and Chile presented the updated information on establishment of an APEC C2C Advance Electronic Data Exchange Expert Group (EGDE). SCCP members discussed this proposal and shared their views on the matter. Russia and Chile thanked for the inputs and comments and agreed to continue the intersessional discussion of the EGDE establishment prior to SCCP1 Meeting in Viet Nam".

Thank you for your attention!

