APEC LSIF Update

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YJ-for APEC LSIF
The Second APEC-LSIF Meeting
(LSIF II)
Sep. 2004, Penang, Malaysia
The Meeting (1)

- **Participants** → 13 APEC economies
  (Australia/ Canada/ China/ HK China/ Indonesia/ South Korea/ Malaysia/
  Mexico/ New Zealand/ Singapore/ Chinese Taipei/ Thailand/ United States)

- **Additional LS Experts** → from Europe

- **Arrangement/Chairmanship**
  - Date/Venue → 16-17 Sep. 2004 / Penang Malaysia
  - Host → State Government of Penang + Malaysia Ministry of Science,
    Technology & Innovation(MOSTI)
  - Chairman → H.E.Suwit Khunkitti, Thailand
The Meeting (2)

• Agreed on *Draft Strategic plan*
  - on the right track
  - would benefit from expanding on some of the concepts

• **Main objectives of LSIF II**
  - To review the draft Strategic plan
  - To discuss *Best Practice*
  - To identify *Collective actions*
The Meeting (3)

• Plenary/Discussion Forum in LSIF II
  - expanded/added *more clarity to the recommendation*
  - covered *creative incentive/holistic approach/etc.* for innovation in the best practice
  - identified *harmonization initiative/coop. for capital dev./innovation to address the early detection & prevention of disease in the region/ etc.* for collective action
The Meeting (4)

• Special Speakers in LSIF II
  - Malaysia’s Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, H.E. Dato Dr. Jamaluddin Jarjis
  - Chief Minister of Penang, H.E. Tan Sri Dr. Koh, Tsu Koon
  - Chair LSIF, H.E. Minister Suwit Khunkitti
  - Nobel Laureate, Dr. Lee Hartwell
    (President and Director of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center-FHCRC)
Outcome (1)

- The Meeting noted:
  - Dr. Hartwell’s invitation
    → *participating in cooperative research projects on the early detection of chronic diseases*”
  - Pacific Health Summits
    → *activities and invitation (Jun.05 Summit)*
  - Global Health Summit
    → *details and invitation (Nov.04 Summit)*
Outcome (2)

- The Meeting discussed & proposed:
  - discussed & proposed Recommendation
    → *in all areas for inclusion in the Strategic plan*
  - subsequently developed the Recommendations
    → *in the breakout discussion forums*
    → *included in the Draft Strategic plan*
Outcome (3)

- The Meeting revised the Draft Strategic plan;
  - from 4 Discussion Forum (Res./Dev./M&M/Health services)
  - in common 9 specific areas
Outcome (4)

- The 9 common specific areas for Strategic plan;

  (1) The strategic plan should provide guidelines for economies to support life sciences innovation and thus the tone of recommendations to Leaders should reflect that objective.

  (2) Greater specificity in the scope, coverage and definition of life sciences innovation products and services reflected in the plan extending to information technology/biometrics; scientific and medical devices; diagnostics; medicines; health care services; and, treatments.

  (3) A redefinition of a cooperative approach to the harmonization of standards to better reflect the intent to move towards a global system of international best practices and guidelines.
**Outcome (5)**

- The 9 common specific areas for Strategic plan...

(4) The need to recognize and build on activities already on-going in the region

(5) Greater definition of the need for LSIF activities to link with other relevant APEC working groups and taskforces such as the ISTWG and Health Taskforce, and the work of other international bodies

(6) The need for a competitive approach to fiscal incentives for R&D consistent with the WTO
Outcome (6)

• The 9 common specific areas for Strategic plan...con’t

(7) A common understanding on the goals of cooperative initiatives such as the Pacific Health Summit and their relevance to LSIF activities
(8) Strengthen education recommendations and proposed activities to include continuing education programs for all life sciences professionals
(9) The desirability of continuity in the composition of expert groups
Outcome (7)

- The Meeting noted APEC LSRA activities and plan
  - outcomes of the APEC LSRA pilot projects conducted in Aug./Sep.04 in Chinese Taipei & Thailand
  - assistance of expert facilitators Dr. Edward Bramley-Harker
    Dr. Stephen Cook, and Professor Dr. Ellick Wong
  - comprehensive reports could provide suggestions for improvement
Outcome (8)

LSIF II agreed on LSRA

(1) to a proposal from the Chair of LSIF II that technical experts from interested APEC economies convene in Bangkok in the 2nd quarter of 2005

(2) to ensure that economies understood what was needed to successfully complete a life sciences readiness assessment and review examples
Outcome (9)

Others Matters

1. LSIF Chair proposed that he convene in Bangkok
   (1) an informal meeting of APEC Ministers Responsible for
       Life Sciences in parallel with the technical experts group in
       the 2\textsuperscript{nd} quarter of 2005
   (2) objective for communicating the results of that meeting
       through the LSIF to Trade and Finance Ministers,
       among others.

2. LSIF II revised the implementation schedule in the strategic
   plan accordingly
Finally, in order to meet the deadline of November 2004 set by Ministers and Leaders for the presentation of the strategic plan, LSIF II

(1) requested senior officials at SOM III to endorse the draft strategic plan in principle and

(2) instruct LSIF to finalize the plan by October 18, 2004 for intersessional review by the SOM preparatory to transmittal to Ministers and Leaders at their November 2004 meetings.
Thank You