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Improving Supply Chain Resilience

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APEC Seven Principles of Supply Chain Resilience



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1. Share information and knowledge to promote supply chain resilience.
2. Promote disaster risk management and hazard mapping to better understand potential risks to supply chain resilience.
3. Support planning and business continuity management to improve global supply chain resilience.
4. Promote best practice policy, regulations, and flexibility to enable global supply chain resilience.
5. Leverage regional cooperation to support the supply chain, including coordination with other multinational organizations working on supply chain resilience inside and outside the APEC region.
6. Promote critical infrastructure protection and inter-modalism as a key component of supply chain resilience.
7. Recognize and promote best practice in human resource and capacity management in the context of supply chain resilience.

Implementation of the Principles (2013 – 2017)



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- Two-pronged approach:
 - APEC-wide workshop focused on one principle
 - Economy-level workshop, covering relevant principles with a sectoral focus
- Aim: improving resilience to effectively manage and mitigate disruptions caused by natural disaster to global supply chains

Focusing on the Principles



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Promoting disaster
risk management
and hazard mapping

2015

2016

Recognize and
promote best
practice in human
resource and
capacity
management

Promoting best
practice policy,
regulations, and
flexibility

2017

Focus on One Developing Economy Each Year



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- Establish a Steering Committee to guide follow-on activities
- Involve partners (e.g. governments agencies, NGOs, companies)
- Conduct a workshop
- Facilitate discussions
- Jointly develop an Action Plan
- Discuss implementation of the Action Plan with Steering Committee

2015: The Philippines



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- 100+ participants
- Experts from:
 - Nestlé
 - Microsoft
 - Supply Chain Management Association of the Philippines

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- 82% of survey respondents indicated that they have applied what was learned in the workshop as a regular part of their jobs
- One participant noted that the workshop contributed towards legal/regulatory changes in their economy, sharing that “Best practices from other countries encouraged us to review some policies involving trucking, shipping aviation in times of disasters/constrained situations.”

2016: Viet Nam



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- 63 participants
- Focus in agriculture
- Action plan items included:
 - Conducting risk and hazard mapping of supply chains
 - Promoting business continuity management, including standards, guidance and training
 - Develop and promote insurance and financing mechanisms



2017: Papua New Guinea



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- 35 participants
- Focus in the petroleum and agribusiness sectors
- Action Plan focused on reviewing existing policies and improving transport infrastructure

2017: Focus on Principle #4



- APEC-wide workshop held at SOM 3
- Focused on: “Promoting best practices in policies and regulations and flexibility for supply chain resilience”
- Provided practical approaches that companies and governments can use to strengthen policy frameworks and regulations in an aim to improve resilience to recover following disasters
- Offered perspectives from the private and public sector
- Delivered examples and case studies from Japan, Thailand, the Philippines and more

Additional Work



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- Stock-take – 2017
 - Gather information on what has been implemented to date
 - Identify key gaps
 - Collect best practices and lessons learned
 - Highlight impacts

Activities Planned for 2018



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- 2018 APEC-wide workshop
 - Aimed at reflecting on progress over the past 5 years on the 7 principles
- Targeted Short-Term Technical Assistance
 - To address capacity gaps that need additional support in implementing the Action Plans that have been developed

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