



Asia-Pacific
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Review of TPTWG44

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Attended by 33 delegates.

Welcomed 9 economy reports.

Endorsed 2 New Projects.

A Review of the Impacts by the New SOLAS Verified Gross Mass (VGM) Rules on Intermodal Container Movement and Best Practices to Maintain and Enhance Supply Chain Connectivity in the APEC Region
(*Unfortunately Fund was not approved.)

Developing Value-Added Ports by enhancing port logistics to promote greater economic integration in the APEC region(*Self-Funded)

Introduction to TPTWG45



“The Expert Group Sub-Groups should no longer meet on a “by right” basis. Their work should be incorporated wherever possible into the relevant Expert Group. This will reduce the number of parallel meetings to 4 and better facilitate policy-level discussion. If an Expert Group decides it needs a special sub-group discussion at a forthcoming TPTWG meeting, this must be agreed in advance by HODS, ideally at the previous TPTWG meeting. The host economy has the final decision, since they will be meeting the additional costs of the meeting room. If a Sub Group meeting is held, it should report back to the relevant Expert Group.”

Introduction to TPTWG45



Both MEG and MEG-SEC exist.

In principle, both groups are held not separately, but in one room.

In TPTWG, security agenda is to be discussed in the morning of day-2.