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APEC Women in Transportation (WiT) Roundtable:
Reflections on the WiT Data Framework and Best Practices Initiative

We invite you to save the date for the 2018 APEC Women in Transportation (WiT) Roundtable: *Reflections on the WiT Data Framework and Best Practices Initiative*, an important and dynamic discussion, in late September 2018. Slated for the margins of Transportation Working Group (TPTWG) meetings in Lima, Peru, the Roundtable aims to capture the impact of WiT activities that have taken place since 2015, as well as to discuss next steps.



Between 2011 and 2017, APEC's Women in Transportation (WiT) Task Force, established under the TPTWG, promoted women's engagement as workers in the sector and consumers of transportation services. In 2015, the Task Force published the APEC WiT Data Framework and Best Practices Report, which recommended interventions on behalf of girls and women along a continuum of opportunities and set forth a compendium of WiT-focused efforts from across APEC economies. Thereafter, the WiT Task Force met on a number of occasions alongside the TPTWG to share information from the pilot activities and other economy initiatives. In 2017, Viet Nam hosted a WiT Forum alongside meetings of APEC's Policy Partnership on Women in the Economy, for the purposes of drawing even more people into the effort to promote women's participation in the sector. Also in 2017, the WiT Task Force updated its compendium of Best Practices, which includes more than 75 examples how women from throughout APEC are challenged to participate, grow, and lead in the field.



The Roundtable scheduled for September 2018 will reflect on the WiT initiative as a whole and seek input on how to sustain TPTWG's leadership in promoting women's participation in transportation in the future. The half-day discussion will review WiT pilot activities that have endeavored to address women's consistently low access, participation, and advancement in transportation-related employment across all APEC economies. Bringing together transportation officials and private sector representatives from across the APEC region, the Roundtable will address future challenges and consider new opportunities to increase women's participation in the sector.



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