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APEC Privacy Seminar Summary

Purpose: Information
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**APEC Symposium on Information
Privacy Protection in E-Government
and E-Commerce
Ha Noi, Viet Nam
20-22 February 2006**



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Summary of Seminar

APEC Symposium on Information Privacy
Protection in E Government & E Commerce

Hanoi
21 February 2006



The underlying issues & instruments

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Law

Technology

Governance

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Themes

- Integrate privacy with all initiatives:
Privacy by Design
 - Security AND privacy; not Security OR privacy
 - Privacy built in, not built on
 - Privacy Impact Assessment
 - Most technology can support multiple needs in the organisation
 - Prove it! AUDIT
- Information Security + Information Privacy = Information Policy

Themes

- eGovernment and eCommerce have much to learn from each other
 - Much more in common than you think
- Integrate economy level policies & frameworks into the regional framework & from there into the global framework
 - UNCITRAL
 - Capacity building
 - VERY rapid growth in some Economies; includes cybercrime
- Respect culture – this is the APEC way

Themes

- “Art of balance” – control use of information
 - Need a framework and method that is also trustworthy
 - Example: access to data for law enforcement
 - Focus on harm – BROADLY defined; APEC Privacy Principle 1
- Be strategic; plan; simplify regulation and frameworks; watch out for overlap
- Safeguards and governance structures

Themes

- Create an environment where information can be used to create value for society AND the individual
 - We can all have confidence
 - Accountability follows the data, ie no avoiding obligations – APEC Privacy Principle 9
- Future is here today – PITs or PETs?
 - Data mining done well = we have both privacy & value
- No magic bullet – People, Policy, Process AND Technology
 - Build in communication & awareness too

Building a “Secure & Favourable Business Environment” – APEC 2006 Sub-Theme 3

- Governance & safeguards best practice; remedy
- Privacy Impact Assessments – eGov, eCommerce
 - Do some!
 - How?
- Regulator cooperation
 - Exchange of information
 - Support of corporate rules
 - Investigation of cross border cases
- Economy partnerships

