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ABAC Messages to APEC on Connectivity Blueprint

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Three Pillars of APEC Connectivity Blueprint ---APEC proposed areas

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1. Physical Connectivity
   a. Transport (Maritime, Land, Air)
   b. Telecom and ICT Infrastructure Development
   c. Energy Infrastructure Development
2. Institutional Connectivity
   a. Customs
   b. Supply Chain
   c. Financial
   d. Regulatory Coherence and Cooperation and Good Regulatory Practices
   e. Structural Reforms
3. People to People Connectivity
   a. Business Mobility
   b. Student and Researcher Mobility
   c. Tourism Facilitation
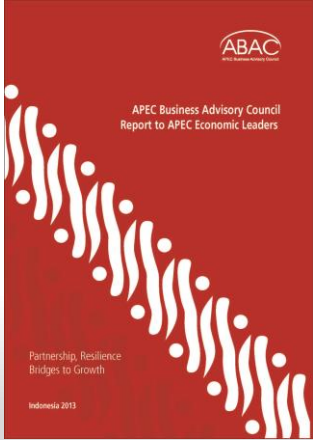   d. Professional Mobility
   e. Labour Mobility

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Three Pillars of APEC Connectivity Blueprint ------- ABAC recommended areas

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1. Physical Connectivity
   a. **Transport (Maritime, Land, Air) (new)**
   b. **Telecom and ICT Infrastructure Development (new)**
   c. Energy Infrastructure Development
2. Institutional Connectivity
   a. **Customs** — **Single Window/AEO (Authorized Economic Operator)**
   a. **Supply Chain** — **Global Data Standard**
   b. **Financial** — **Asia Pacific Infrastructure Partnership (APIP)**
   a. **Regulatory Coherence and Cooperation and Good Regulatory Practices**
   a. Structural Reforms
3. People to People Connectivity
   a. **Business Mobility ABTC**
   b. Student and Researcher Mobility
   c. Tourism Facilitation
   d. **Professional Mobility (new)**
   e. *Labour Mobility*

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Report to APEC Economic Leaders

Partnership, Resilience
Bridges to Growth

Indonesia 2013

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ABAC Major Initiatives on Connectivity Blueprint

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Initiatives continued from previous year
- APIP
- Infrastructure Enablers Checklist
- Supply Chain Connectivity --- Global Data Standards

New Initiatives introduced and ongoing in 2014
- Resilient ICT infrastructure
- Enhance Connectivity by Quality Transport
- APEC Workers Travel Card

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    Key Messages to APEC 1

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1. The individual elements must be **<u>bankable</u>**, and together the outcomes **<u>must have meaning and be effective for business and consumers</u>**

- Coordination and Implementation are critical
  - –18 different APEC Fora and Process are being tapped to form the Blueprint
  - –Even in one economy, <u>coordination over this number of agencies is challenging</u>

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Enhancing Connectivity Blueprint
    Key Messages to APEC 2

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2. The Blueprint must **<u>forward looking and promote innovation and resilience in value and supply chains</u>**

- – **<u>Soft and hard infrastructure improvements</u>**
  and systems must therefore be critical foundations. Soft infrastructure determines the quality and effectiveness of connectivity
  - –Regional (spanning than one economy) infrastructure and connectivity elements needed

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    Key Messages to APEC 3

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3. The Blueprint should be
    <u>**tangible and precise enough to enable the**</u>
    <u>**timeliness and quality of implementation**</u>
    to be monitored and assessed by the market place
    and formally if necessary.

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    Key Messages to APEC 4

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4. <u>**Connecting the poorly connected parts of the region**</u>
   <u>**should be a priority**</u> to boost growth and deepen
   integration

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CONCLUSION

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ABAC is committed to working with APEC….

on effective implementation of the Connectivity Blueprint and key individual initiatives that will have a positive impact on economic growth and integration