



The Asia-Pacific Network for Sustainable Forest Management and Rehabilitation (APFNet)

- Initial Plans for Future Development

Outline of Presentation



Area of Focus

Relationship to APEC

Membership Development

Roles and Functions of Secretariat



Area of Focus

- A list of potential priority areas specified in the Framework Document of the APFNet
- A need to narrow focus
 - to avoid duplication with work undertaken by other regional organisations and processes
 - to create a “niche” for APFNet
 - to maximise the use of limited resources

Area of Focus (cont.)



- Potential organising principles to narrow focus
 - landscape approach
 - other potential organising principles
 - consultation and research needed to narrow focus
 - defining more focused priority area should take into account regional needs and add value to regional development

Relationship to APEC



- An initiative of APEC Economic Leaders Meeting
- Specification in the Framework Document
 - operate consistent with APEC guidelines and practices
 - report to APEC on progress and future work plans etc.
 - apply for project financing under APEC

Relationship to APEC (cont.)

- Another option - maintaining a formal affiliation
 - disadvantage: limit the membership to 21 APEC
 - advantages:
 - * advice from APEC regarding member economies' concerns on sustainable resource management etc.
 - * APEC guidelines and reporting structures to guide members of APFNet
 - * access APEC network and apply for APEC funds economies

Membership Development



- Openness and participation (Framework Document)
 - open to APEC economies and other interested partners outside of APEC
- Government members and non-government members
 - develop separate criteria, rights and obligations
 - guidelines of APEC can be used to development criteria

Membership Development (cont)



- **Initial stage**
 - APEC economies with key forest resources and high forest cover
 - major international organisations and NGOs
- **Second stage**
 - expand membership to include non-APEC economies such as EU and African countries

Roles and Functions of Secretariat Transitional Period (2009-2010)



- A steering group
 - comprise three founding members and major international organisations
 - key policy making body
 - level of people on steering group to be decided
 - regular steering group meetings
- Secretariat
 - implementing body
 - hosted by China

Roles and Functions of Secretariat Post-transitional Period (2010 onwards)



- Board/ council members
 - policy making body
 - comprising representatives of members of APFNet
- Secretariat
 - implementing body



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