

APEC Business Advisory Council

ABAC IV

ABAC 2021 Work Programme

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Agenda for today

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- Proposed WG priorities
- 2021 meeting calendar





ABAC NZ 2021 THEME

People, Place and Prosperity

"Tāngata, Taiao me te Taurikura"

ABAC NZ 2021 Priorities

THE ME: **People, Place, Prosperity** *Tāngata, Taiao, me te Taurikura*



People

Advancing social and economic progress

Promoting indigenous economic development

Enhancing women's participation in trade

Building MSME capabilities



Place

Adopting principles for climate change leadership

Developing a framework for renewable energy transition and trade

Levelling the playing field for environmentally responsible production and trade

Creating a sustainable, inclusive, digitallyenhanced and trade-friendly APEC food system



Prosperity

Supporting the rules-based trading system

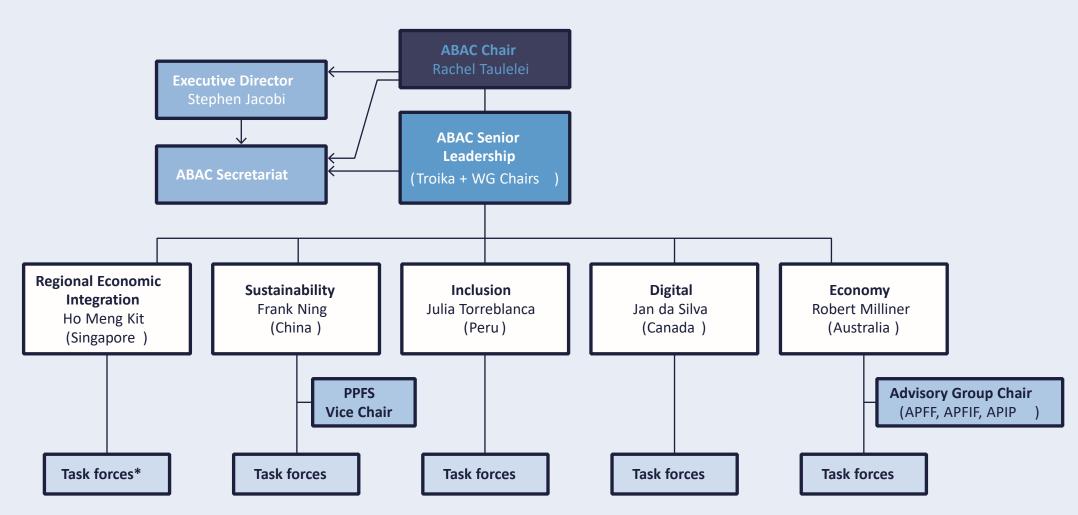
Working to realise FTAAP

Building an enabling environment for digital technology

Rebuilding and revitalising economies

"A seamless, dynamic, resilient, sustainable and inclusive Asia-Pacific economic community"

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ABAC 2021 Working Group Priorities

(To be confirmed at ABAC I)

People, Place, Prosperity

Tāngata, Taiao, me te Taurikura



REI

Progressing pathway agreements and working towards the realisation of FTAAP

Supporting the WTO and advocacy for the rules-based multilateral trading system

Strengthening services trade and investment



Sustainability

Integrating climate change in post Covid economic recovery

Drawing a road map for renewable energy transition

Building a digitallyenhanced and trade friendly food system



Inclusion

Promoting social and economic development

Levelling the playing field for all

Empowering MSMEs



Digital

Convening the ABAC Digital Symposium

Supporting the Digital Transformation of MSMEs

Advancing Digital Infrastructure (Broadband & Mobile)



Economy

Securing the COVID economic recovery

Adopting structural economic reforms

Addressing disaster recovery planning & risk management



Shared

Reopening borders for safe and seamless travel (REI, Digital and Economy)

Achieving digitilisation of the Economy (Economy and Digital)

Encouraging environmentally friendly production and trade (REI and Sustainability)

Calendar for 2021

ABAC Dialogue with Senior Officials ABAC II
ABAC II
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ABAC III
ABAC IV
(depending on timing of Leaders' Week)
To be scheduled during
Leaders' Week



"He aha te mea nui ki te ao? He tāngata, he tāngata, he tāngata"

"What is the most important thing in the world ? It is people, it is people, it is people"



