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Agenda Item: 4

## **Report on the CPDG Project in 2006: “The 2<sup>nd</sup> APEC Training Course on Competition Policy in Bangkok”**

Purpose: Information  
Submitted by: Thailand



**Competition Policy and Deregulation Group  
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### "The 2<sup>nd</sup> APEC Training Course on Competition Policy in Bangkok"

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### Training Course : Objective

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- Technical Cooperation
- Build Capacity
- APEC Knowledge & Expertise
- APEC Principal to enhance Competition & Regulatory Reform
- Broaden the knowledge & Exchange Information
- Enhance Common Understanding



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**Training Course : Methodology**

**Plenary Session**

- Keynote speech
- Address Principle & Ideas
- Emphasize point for discussion
- Group presentation

**Small Group**

- Presentation & Discussion
- Specific details of each economies
- Group summary



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**Training Course : 2006's Topic**

- Regulation of Business Combination
- Competition Advocacy



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### Summary : Regulations of Business Combination

- APEC Economies Presentation  
"How to regulate the merger"
- More Experience Economies  
present the system of pre-merger notification & cases  
(Chinese Taipei, Russia,)
- Less Experience Economies  
present the provision of the law dealing with mergers  
(Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam)
- Merger Control is complex & Difficult  
It is also prospective not retrospective



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### Summary : Competition Advocacy

- APEC Economies Presentations
- 2 types & 3 phases of Competition Advocacy Activities
  - 1<sup>st</sup> phase : focus on promulgation of Competition law & Establish Competition Authorities (China, Hong Kong, Philippine)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> phase : focus on disseminating Competition Law & Promote compliance with the law (Indonesia, Peru, Russia, Thailand, Vietnam)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> phase : focus on various governmental regulation (Australia, Chinese Taipei, Japan, Papua New Guinea, USA)
- "Competition Advocacy reflects the stage development of their Competition Laws"



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**Evaluation : By participants**

Subject	2006	2007
1. Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good/very relevant</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detection of Cartels</li> <li>• National Monopoly</li> <li>• Interface between Competition Policy &amp; Sector specific Policy</li> <li>• Relationship between Competition Agencies and Sector Regulators</li> <li>• Economic Technical to evaluate market power</li> </ul>
2. Keynote speech	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very good/ well prepared/ Briefly</li> <li>• Excellent performance/Educative</li> <li>• Give general overview of topics &amp; Small group can deal with specific</li> </ul>	
3. Small Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very useful / successfully</li> <li>• Good opportunity to discuss</li> <li>• Lively exchange of information and experience on specific issues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience sharing on specific issues</li> </ul>
4. Duration of time (2.5 days)	About right Plenary : Small Group = 37% : 63%	



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**Evaluation : By participants (cont.)**

Subject	2006	2007
5. Methodology	About right	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-depth discussion more than general discussion</li> <li>• Cases study / Specific cases</li> </ul>
6. Advance Information Distribute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good / Sufficient</li> </ul>	
7. Course Expectation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fully met / Mostly met</li> <li>• Improve knowledge on Competition</li> <li>• Workable Assistance               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Good practice in competition advocacy &amp; Merger case solution</li> <li>✓ Develop ACCC Inter'l Activities</li> <li>✓ Update UNCTAD report</li> <li>✓ Conduct future research</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Communication / Dialogue with other participants on the subject</li> </ul>	



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## Evaluation : By Co-host

- **Successful** : Transfer Technical knowledge & Practical Know-how from more experiences to less experiences
- **Effective mechanism** : Tailor made basis for APEC economies which have different level of competition law & policy implementation
- **Appropriate mode** of training which is workshop focus on discussion & sharing experience
- **Strengthen the communication** & common understanding on competition law & policy among APEC Members



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## Evaluation : By Co-host (cont.)

Subject	Perspective
1. Topics	• Consider the priority need of APEC members
2. Keynote speech	• Very important of training program
3. Small Groups	• Specific information / Experience • Case discussion and analysis in-depth
4. Duration of time (2.5 days)	• Plenary : Small Group = 30% : 70%
5. Methodology	• Encourage more discussion and Q & A • Propose Pre & Post evaluation
6. Participants	• Supportive of APEC Members to participate in different roles (participants, keynote speech, resource persons, moderators)



## Appreciation : Key Supporters

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- **Co-host** : JFTC, APEC Sec.
- **Keynote speech** : Mr. Phillip Brusick  
Prof. Toshiaki Takigawa
- **Moderators** : Prof. Makoto Kurita  
Dr. Mark William
- **Participants** : APEC Members
- **Institutions** : UNCTAD  
Kansai U. (School of law)  
Chiba U. (School of law)  
Hong Kong Polytechnic U.



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