Policy Dialogue on Science, Technology, Innovation, Food Security, Climate Change and Gender Empowerment by “Plant Back Better” initiatives

Chinese Taipei and Viet Nam

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“Plant back better” initiatives

- Proposed concept note by Chinese Taipei
  - Capacity building and emergency preparedness for sustainable development at agricultural communities through “Plant back better” initiatives

- Co-sponsors
  - Chile, Indonesia, Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Viet Nam

- APEC Cross-fora linkage
  - Policy Partnership on Food Security (PPFS)
  - Policy Partnership on Women and the Economy Working Group (PPWE)
  - Small and Medium Enterprises Working Group (SMEWG)
Alignment with APEC priorities

• Viet Nam (2017) and Peru (2016)
  – “Food Security” highlighted as one APEC annual top priority,
  – “Enhancing Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in Response to Climate Change” (2017)
  – “Fostering the Regional Food System” (2016)

• APEC leaders concluded in Lima (AELM 24) in 2016
  – “to intensify efforts to mitigate impacts of drought, flood and climate-related disasters on food production and food security.”

• Relevant APEC Fora’s policies
  – APEC ATCWG and PPFS
  – the APEC Food Security Road Map Towards 2020

“Plant back better” focuses on

• Help vulnerable areas
  – To enhancing capacity building and emergency preparedness countermeasures through smarter and disaster-resilient vegetable plantation.

• At phases of disaster risk reduction and emergency preparedness, the initiatives
  – To build up a resilient community with local knowledge and efforts against natural disasters.

• After disaster strike,
  – To effectively and efficiently recover the micro economic activities, vegetable plantation and food supply
Key objectives

- To develop guidelines on natural disaster preparedness for agricultural communities
- To facilitate data and information sharing as well as best practices at phases of disaster risk reduction and post-disaster recovery based on “Plant back better” initiatives.
- To engage public-private partnership for food supply chain as part of disaster risk management.
- To initiate plans for disaster-resilient planning of vegetables plantation to cope with future challenges and climate change.
- To cooperate with one APEC economy for a pilot implementation of “Plant back better”.

Thank for your kind cooperation