



ASIA-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP

ON CLEAN DEVELOPMENT AND CLIMATE



Introduction

- The Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate (APP) brings together seven major Asia-Pacific countries: Australia, Canada, China, India, Japan, Korea, and the United States.
- Together, they account for more than half of the world's economy, population, energy use, and greenhouse gas emissions.
- The partners are cooperating in an effort to address increased energy needs and the associated issues of air pollution, energy security, and climate change.
- An innovative public-private sector effort, the Asia-Pacific Partnership was established to achieve these objectives in ways that promote economic development, reduce poverty, and accelerate the development and deployment of cleaner, more efficient technologies.
- The APP builds on the foundation of existing bilateral and multilateral initiatives, and is consistent with and contributes to partners' efforts under the United Nations' Framework Convention on Climate Change, while complementing the Kyoto Protocol and the Copenhagen Accord.
- The APP provides Canada with the opportunity to support its domestic and international air quality, climate change, and clean technology objectives, while also enhancing its influence in related international fora.

Partnership Focus

- The Partnership created eight public-private task forces. Each of these task forces represents a major industrial sector and is responsible for the development and the implementation of Action Plans.
- The task forces address five energy-intensive sectors – aluminum, buildings and appliances, cement, coal mining, and steel – as well as three energy supply sectors – cleaner fossil energy, renewable energy and distributed generation, and power generation and transmission.

Partnership Activities

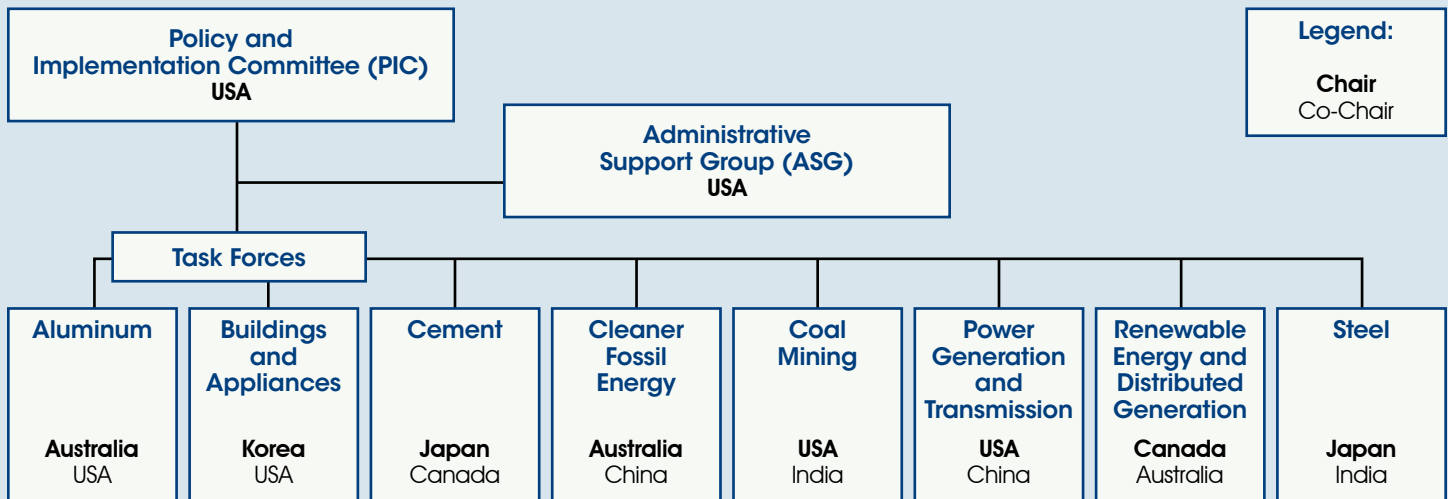
- Under the APP, funds from the Government of Canada are utilized to leverage private sector investment for selected projects. APP stakeholders (industry, academic and research institutions) are invited to participate in the Partnership by either:
 - Joining one of the task forces and participating in the APP project management process
 - Submitting a project proposal under one of the existing task forces
- The work of the Asia-Pacific Partnership comprises a wide range of activities. The initial portfolio of Partnership projects includes activities such as sectoral assessments, capacity building, best practice identification, and technology research and demonstration.
- Canada is actively involved in a number of projects, including:
 - Managing greenhouse gas emissions in the aluminum industry

- Transforming waste to fuel in cement kilns
- Developing markets for energy-efficient residential and commercial buildings

Background

- The Asia-Pacific Partnership was formally launched at the January 2006 inaugural APP Ministerial meeting in Sydney, Australia.
- Canada became the seventh APP Partner at the New Delhi Ministerial meeting in October 2007. During this meeting, Action Plans for each task force, and over 100 related projects, as well as 18 Flagship Projects, were approved.
- Since October 2007, Canada has participated actively in the Partnership. For example, Canada hosted the sixth Policy and Implementation Committee (PIC) meeting in Vancouver, October 29-30, 2008, is actively involved in every task force, and collaborates with other member countries on existing projects.

APP Organizational Structure



- The Policy and Implementation Committee (PIC) oversees the Partnership, guides the task forces, and periodically reviews their work.
- The Administrative Support Group (ASG), currently hosted by the United States, supports the PIC and Partnership broadly.
- Task forces include both public and private sector representatives. They are led by Chairs and Co-Chairs, who oversee project management and the collaboration between the two sectors.
- In Canada, responsibility for the eight sectoral task forces is shared between Industry Canada, Natural Resources Canada, and Environment Canada. The Canadian APP Secretariat, whose responsibility resides within Environment Canada, coordinates the APP activities at the national level.

For more information

Please visit www.ec.gc.ca/APP for more information about the Partnership, its upcoming events, and how to become involved. You can also contact the Canadian APP Secretariat at APP-PAP@ec.gc.ca.

