

**Seminar**  
**Connectivity and Inclusive Growth in the Asia-Pacific**  
**Co-organized by**  
**Boao Forum for Asia and the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council**  
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**Overview**

When APEC leaders last met in Indonesia they agreed on an ambitious course of action to foster sustainable and equitable growth in the Asia-Pacific agreeing to free and open trade in the region by 2010 for developed economies and 2020 for developing economies. In 2013, Indonesia has made equitable growth a key priority looking at a Connectivity Framework to ensure that the benefits of regional economic integration are more equitably shared. The Framework is likely to be adopted when APEC leaders meet in Bali, but much work remains to be done. This seminar will look ahead to identifying possible policy actions and projects that could be adopted in 2014 when China takes up the chairmanship of APEC.

This event will include the launch of PECC’s flagship publication which discusses major regional trends and the findings of a survey of regional opinion-leaders on a range of issues including: the outlook for the region; risks to growth; and priorities for regional cooperation.

Boao Forum for Asia is committed to promoting regional connectivity as an important part of regional cooperation, and would like to join hands with PECC and other regional institutions towards this end.

1330-1400	<p><b><u>Opening Session &amp; Keynote Speech</u></b></p> <p><b>Welcoming Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Jusuf WANANDI</b> <i>Co-Chair, Pacific Economic Cooperation Council</i></li> <li>• <b>Ambassador ZHOU Wengzhong</b> <i>Secretary General, Boao Forum for Asia</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Keynote Speech</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Chatib BASRI</b> <i>Minister of Finance Indonesia</i></li> </ul>
1400-1445	<p><b><i>Session 1: Connecting the Region: Vision, Feasibility &amp; Roadmap</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Panel A: Institutional Connectivity</i></b></p> <p><i>A key element of connectivity is the soft infrastructure to facilitate the movement of goods and services throughout the region. The work ahead includes trade facilitation, regulatory coherence and cooperation, streamlining customs procedures and promoting cross-border financial cooperation.</i></p>

	<p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Djisman SIMANDJUNTAK</b> <i>Chair, CSIS Foundation and Chair Indonesia PECC</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Denis HEW</b> <i>Director, Policy Support Unit, APEC Secretariat</i></li> <li>• <b>Dr Masahiro KAWAI</b> <i>Dean, Asian Development Bank Institute</i></li> <li>• <b>Ms ZHOU Jiayi</b> <i>Director-General, Ministry of Finance, China</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Open Discussion</b></p>
1445-1530	<p><b><i>Session I: Connecting the Region: Vision, Feasibility &amp; Roadmap</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Panel B: People to People Connectivity</i></b></p> <p><i>The flows of people whether tourists, technical experts or business people is a critical element of building an Asia-Pacific community. This session will discuss what the vision of Asia-Pacific community means in practical terms, the obstacles to its realization and recommend elements of a roadmap as well as its resource implications.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Charles E. MORRISON</b> <i>President, East West Center</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Prof Christopher FINDLAY</b> <i>Vice-Chair, AUSPECC &amp; University of Adelaide</i></li> <li>• <b>Dr Mari PANGESTU</b> <i>Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr. A. Didar SINGH</b> <i>Secretary General, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Trade</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr. SUN Ziyu</b> <i>Chief Engineer, International President of China Communications Construction Company Ltd., Chairman of China Harbour Engineering Company Ltd</i></li> </ul>

	<b>Open Discussion</b>
1530-1550	<b>Coffee/Tea Break</b>
1550-1635	<p><b><i>Session 1: Connecting the Region: Vision, Feasibility &amp; Roadmap</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Panel C: Physical Connectivity</i></b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> TBC</p> <p><b>Panel Discussants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms BAI Rui</b> <i>Deputy General Manager, China Railway Engineering Corporation(CRECGI)</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr. Enrique GUBBINS</b> <i>Chairman, Sudamericana de Fibras</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr Syed Abul Hossain</b> <i>Former Minister of Communications of Bangladesh</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr Wishnu WARDHANA</b> <i>Chair, APEC Business Advisory Council</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Open Discussion</b></p>
1635-1720	<p><b><i>Session 2: “Connecting the Region: The Financing Challenge”</i></b></p> <p><i>The Asian Development Bank estimates that Asia alone needs to invest US\$8 trillion in infrastructure to avoid bottlenecks to growth. At a time when public finances are stretched, where will this money come from? What are the next steps for promoting connectivity in the Asia-Pacific? What kind of innovative financing solutions and arrangements are available and what are the policies and types of instruments needed to unleash the potential of private sector investment in this critical sector?</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Steve HOWARD</b> <i>Secretary-General, The Global Foundation, Australia</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr Joaquim TRES</b> <i>Cordinator of Regional Integration Instruments Integration and Trade Sector, Inter-American Development Bank</i></li> <li>• <b>Dr Bert HOFMAN</b> <i>Chief Economist East Asia and Pacific Director, Singapore, The World Bank</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr ZHANG Hongli</b> <i>Vice President, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC)</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr ZHENG Xinli</b> <i>Permanent Vice Chairman China Center for International Economic Exchanges</i></li> </ul>
1720-1805	<p><b>Session 3: Launch of PECC's State of the Region</b></p> <p><i>The State of the Region report is the flagship publication of the PECC. It includes a survey of opinion-leaders on the priorities for Asia-Pacific cooperation and suggestions for improving work on economic and technical cooperation.</i></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ambassador Don CAMPBELL</b> <i>Co-chair, Pacific Economic Cooperation Council</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Panel Discussants</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr CHEN Bo</b> <i>Associate Department Chair, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics</i></li> <li>• <b>Dr Kenichi KAWASAKI</b> <i>Adjunct Fellow, The Japan Institute of International Affairs</i></li> <li>• <b>Dr Federico MACARANAS</b> <i>Professor, Asian Institute of Management</i></li> <li>• <b>Mr Eduardo PEDROSA</b> <i>Secretary General, Pacific Economic Cooperation Council</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Open Discussion</b></p>
1805-1815	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
1830-2000	<p><b>Closing Dinner</b></p> <p><b>Dinner Speeches:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. LI Ruogu, Governor, Ex-Import Bank of China</b></li> </ul>