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APEC IIED Participation in 2025 APEC EDNET MEETING & APEC Future Education Forum (AFEF)

The 2025 APEC Education Network (EDNET) Meeting was held on May 8 in Jeju, Korea, with 17 economies participating. Under the theme "Building Sustainable Futures through Education, Training and Employment Strategies," discussions focused on narrowing education gaps through classroom innovation, advancing digital and AI-enabled learning, strengthening links between education and employment, and promoting inclusive growth. Delegates reviewed the APEC Education Strategy (2016-2030) and shared updates on projects such as entrepreneurship and university social responsibility (Chinese Taipei), zero-dropout initiatives (Thailand), and AI in higher education (APRU). Looking ahead, members introduced significant recent initiatives including the APEC STEM-Based AI Talent Development Center, APEC Leading Teachers for Education Reform, APEC Learncation Program for University Students and Young Researchers, and APEC Emerging Leaders' Circle. Together, these efforts will help shape a more inclusive, innovative, and sustainable education landscape in the APEC region.

In the same week, the 2025 APEC Future Education Forum (AFEF) was also convened in Jeju, Korea. With the theme "Towards Inclusive and Sustainable Future Education through Connection and Innovation," the forum addressed key issues such as digital transformation, education inequality, and climate challenges. Discussions highlighted APEC's role in advancing lifelong learning, digital literacy, and sustainable development, including initiatives like the APEC Learning Community Builders (ALCoB) and Digital Education Policy Training (ADEPT). Member economies shared experiences on blended learning, teacher digital training, industry-academia collaboration, and inclusive education for disadvantaged groups. Youth participation and social entrepreneurship were also emphasized, fostering cross-cultural cooperation and innovation.







PRIORITIES FOR APEC 2025

Connect, Innovate, Prosper

APEC 2025 KOREA

Seeks to strengthen physical, institutional, and people-to-people exchanges

1. Facilitating Trade and Investment
2. Strengthening and Enhancing the Structural Reform
3. Promoting People to People Exchanges

Focuses on strengthening competitiveness through digital innovation

1. Adapting to Digital Transition
2. Harnessing the Benefits of New Technology such as AI

Advances sustainable growth, empowering vulnerable groups

1. Responding to Global Challenges
2. Enhancing Opportunities for Women, MSMEs, and People with Disabilities
3. Responding to the Demographic Shift

