

Implementing Arrangement

Strategic Partnership

The purpose of this Implementing Arrangement is to guide the implementation of the Strategic Partnership Chapter in the Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership Agreement. This Implementing Arrangement outlines the initial focus for the Parties efforts and initiatives under Chapter 16 (*Strategic Partnership*).

The contact point of each Party will facilitate communication on these cooperation activities, and the Commission will review this list periodically.

Economic

- (a) Encourage policy dialogue on trade and economic issues and experiences in the Asia-Pacific region;
- (b) Fostering contacts between sector associations in each country;
- (c) Encourage traders from Parties to the Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership Agreement to access each other's trading networks for goods and services flowing into the Asia-Pacific region, and likewise for goods and services flowing out of this region into South America;
- (d) Explore partnerships with companies in Parties for business opportunities in non-Parties, such as China;
- (e) Share experience on development of e-commerce.

Research, Science and Technology

- (a) Encourage exchange of information on general R&D policies;
- (b) Fostering research and scientific networks in the areas of geosciences, fisheries research, climate change, biotechnology and materials sciences, including nanotechnology and biomaterials.

Education

- (a) Explore potential for collaborative work in curriculum development including curriculum materials;
- (b) Share experiences on the use of information technology in education, including education portals;
- (c) Share opportunities for professional/executive training and encourage possible joint programmes between institutions;

- (d) Share experiences on language training and encourage collaborative programmes for professional development and training of language teachers, including exchanges of language teachers (English/Spanish/Chinese);
- (e) Share information on opportunities available to post graduate students in each other's countries in areas of mutual interest to each of the Parties.

Cultural

- (a) Encourage dialogue on cultural policies and promotion of local culture;
- (b) Encourage exchange of cultural events and promote awareness of artistic works;
- (c) Encourage exchange of experience in conservation and restoration of national heritage;
- (d) Encourage exchange of experience on management for the arts;
- (e) Encourage cooperation in the audio-visual sector, such as through training programmes in the audio-visual sector and means of communication, exchanges of views and information, and co-production, training, development and distribution activities.

Primary Industry

- (a) Share experience and identify possible joint research in:
 - (i) Sustainable agricultural and fisheries practices;
 - (ii) Bio-security (including quarantine and pest management); and
 - (iii) Post harvest technologies in horticulture, including transportation and storage.
- (b) Encourage cooperation in the appropriate international forums on matters relating to good agricultural practices;
- (c) Collaborate to remove barriers to trade in third markets for forestry, including world-wide recognition of plantation forestry, while protecting native forests for conservation purposes;
- (d) Collaborate to remove barriers impeding international agricultural and fisheries market access;
- (e) Encouraging the exchange of experiences in the area of food safety;

- (f) Encourage contact between fisheries management agencies and research institutes in each country.

Others

- (a) Support policy dialogue and exchange of experience on state sector reform, civil service organisations and e-government;
- (b) Promoting exchange programmes for young people between the Parties such as through working holiday schemes;
- (c) Encourage the exchange of information on development of projects and programmes on tourism, such as agri-tourism and special interests tourism.