



## 21st Emergency Preparedness Working Group Meeting (EPWG 21)

July 30, 2025 Incheon, Korea

## **EPWG 21 AGENDA**

Date: Wednesday, 30 July 2025

**Time:** 09:00 - 17:30 Korea Time (KST/UTC+8)

Venue: Premier Ballroom A, Songdo Convensia Incheon

DAY ONE: WEDNESDAY, 30 JULY 2025			
TIME	AGENDA ITEM		
09:00 – 09:20 (20 minutes)	Session 1. Opening  1.1 Opening Remarks • EPWG Co-Chairs  1.2 Welcome Remarks • The host economy  1.3 Self-Introductions and Greetings  1.4 Adoption of the Agenda • EPWG Co-Chairs  1.5 group photo		
09:20 – 09:30 (10 minutes)	Session 2. Review of EPWG's Work in 2024  2.1 Review of EPWG's Work in 2024 • EPWG Co-Chairs  2.2 2025 Sub-fora Assessment • Secretariat		
09:30 – 09:50 (20 minutes)	Session 3. 2025 Outlook  3.1 Presentation on APEC 2025 Priorities and Key Deliverables • Ms. Jiyoon LEE, APEC Senior Official and Deputy Director-General for International Economic Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Korea  3.2 EPWG Strategic Plan (2025-2027) • EPWG Co-Chairs  3.3 2025 EPWG Work Plan • EPWG Co-Chairs		
09:50 – 10:10 (20 minutes)	Coffee Break		



10:10 –	Session 4. EPWG Project Updates and Briefings			
11:10 (60 minutes)	4.1 Korea (15 minutes): Ms. Byungim So, Ministry of the Interior and Safety, Korea			
	EPWG_102_2025A: Enhanced dissemination and exchange of insights on Emerging Risks on Disasters			
	4.2 Chinese Taipei (15 minutes): Ms. Yanling Lee (Sophia), APEC Emergency Preparedness Capacity Building Center (EPCC)			
	<ul> <li>EPWG_101_2025: APEC Resilience Conference</li> <li>EPWG_102_2024: APEC Resilience Week - APEC Workshop on Empowering Inclusive APEC Resilience City and Community for Sustainable Develop</li> </ul>			
	4.3 Peru (15 minutes): Ms. Frances Valdivia			
	EPWG_202_2023A:Workshop on enhancing prevention and risk reduction for climate change adaptation in vulnerable communities in the Asia-Pacific Region			
	Q&A			
11:10 –	Session 5. Strategies for Cooperation in Digital-Based Disaster Risk			
12:10	Management			
(60 minutes)	The APEC Putrajaya Vision 2040 emphasizes digital technology and innovation, as crucial pillars of APEC's efforts, which include enhancing disaster risk management across Asia-Pacific. Utilizing digital technology in disaster risk management can help bridge information accessibility gaps, enabling faster and more effective responses. As a result, it can reduce loss of life and property and promote the prosperity of member economies. Therefore, it is essential to strengthen disaster response capabilities through data-driven early warning systems (e.g., earthquake and flood forecasting systems), AI, big data analysis, and technology utilizing drones for emergency response as well as to expand technological cooperation and information sharing among APEC member economies.  5.1. Presentations			
	• Dr. Chi-hun Lee, NDMI, Korea – 10 minutes			
	Mr. Gerald Potutan, ADRC, Japan – 10 minutes			
	Mr. Néstor Alfonzo Santamaria, OECD, France – 10 minutes			
	5.2. Q&A or Intervention (30 minutes)			
	China, Mexico, Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia and other economies			
12:10 – 14:00	LUNCH			



(110 minutes)		
14:00 – 15:00	Session 6. Prioritizing Community Leadership in Responses to Complex Disasters	
(60 minutes)	Ensuring communities are leaders and drivers of policy responses to disasters is crucial to enhance disaster preparedness capabilities and establish social safety nets. This includes disaster simulation training, establishing networks and communication systems, implementing tailored disaster education and support policies to strengthen disaster resilience in APEC communities.  At the APEC level, sharing best practices and fostering policy cooperation among member economies will contribute to safer communities that can influence the disaster management system, which aligns with the EPWG 2025-2027 Strategic Plan.	
	<ul> <li>6.1. Presentations (45 minutes)</li> <li>Dave Gawn, Chief Executive, NEMA, New Zealand – 7~8 minutes</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mr. Jong-sung Kim, Gyeongnam Institute, Korea –10 minutes</li> <li>Aslam Perwaiz, ADPC, Thailand—10 minutes</li> <li>Ms. Mercedes Frances Valdivia, Embassy of Peru -7~8 minutes</li> <li>Mr. Mike Kangior, Federal Emergency Management Agency, the US –10 minutes</li> </ul>	
	6.2. Interview Video (5 minutes)	
	Citizen Corps Active in Disaster, Case of Korea – 5 minutes	
	6.3. Q&A or Intervention (10 minutes)	
	Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia and other economies	
15:00 – 16:00	Session 7. Lessons Applied: Regional Disaster Risk Assessment and Case Studies	
(60 minutes)	A localized disaster management strategy extends beyond response efforts focusing on strengthening preventive measures, establishing effective response systems, and ensuring rapid recovery and rehabilitation adapted to regional needs. It is particularly important to provide adequate outreach to a communities, including the elderly, persons with disabilities, and children, while also establishing safe evacuation spaces and implementing efficient post-disaster recovery systems. Ultimately, sustained support and cooperation are required to enhance the capacity of local communities to prepare for and respond to disasters, with joint efforts from governments, the private sector, and civil society.	
	7.0. Moderator: Dr. Chi-hun LEE, NDMI, Korea	
	7.1. Presentations (40minutes, 5-8 minutes each)	
	China: Mr. LI Qun, Ministry of Emergency Management of China	



	Singapore: Mr. Wesley Ho, Director Planning and Organisation, Civil
	Defence Force, Singapore
	Chinese Taipei: Mr. Wei-Sen Li, Secretary General, National Science and Technology Center for Disaster Reduction (NCDR)
	Viet Nam: Ms. Dam Thi Hoa, Deputy Director of the Department of International Cooperation, VDDMA
	<ul> <li>Chinese Taipei: Ms. Wang Yi-Wen, Director-General of Office of</li> </ul>
	Disaster Management, Chinese Taipei
	Major Disaster Report-Typhoon Danas(Chinese Taipei)
	7.2 Q&A or Intervention (20 minutes)
	All member economies: Member economies are encouraged to contribute their insights and lessons learned from recent significant disaster events, guided by the following inquiries, but not limited to:
	<ul> <li>Please share 1-2 specific examples of policy or program changes your economy has implemented in response to recent disasters, as well as any plans for future adjustments?</li> <li>What successes have we experienced in our emergency preparedness efforts?</li> <li>What areas have we identified for improvement, and how can we strengthen our preparedness strategies?</li> </ul>
16:00 <b>–</b> 16:20	Coffee Break
(20 minutes)	
16:20 – 17:20	Session 8. Resilient Capacity Building through APEC Cross-Fora Collaboration
(60 minutes)	8.1 Chinese Taipei (Chemical Dialogue): Mr. Wei Lee & Dr. Jenq-Renn Chen
	Enhancing Chemical Emergency Preparedness
	8.2 APEC Climate Center (Policy Partnership on Science, Technology and Innovation, PPSTI): Ms. Sangwon Moon
	Connecting Science, Climate and Resilience
	Q&A
17:20 -	Session 9: Closing
17:30	Document ClassificationSecretariat



(10 minutes)	<ul> <li>Briefings on the Preparations of SDMOF and Field Trip -The Host Economy</li> <li>Any Other Business (AOB) and Recap of To-Do List</li> <li>Closing Remarks by EPWG Co-Chairs</li> </ul>	
18:00-20:00 (120 minutes)	<ul> <li>Welcome Dinner</li> <li>Place: Kyungbokkung – Hanok Village Branch</li> <li>Address: 180, Techno park-ro, Yeonsu-gu, Incheon</li> </ul>	

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# 18th APEC Senior Disaster Management Officials' Forum (SDMOF 18)

# Theme: "Advancing Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia-Pacific: Partnerships for a Resilient and Prosperous Future"

July 31, 2025 Incheon, Korea

#### **SDMOF 18 AGENDA**

Date: Thursday, 31 July 2025

Time: 09:00 - 17:00 Korea Time (KST/UTC+8)

Venue: Premier Ballroom A, Songdo Convensia Incheon

DAY TWO: THURSDAY, 31 JULY 2025			
TIME	AGENDA ITEM		
09:00 – 09:20 (20 minutes)	<ul> <li>Session 1. Opening</li> <li>1.1 Opening Remarks • Mr. PARK Cheon Soo, Director General of Disaster Management Policy Bureau, MOIS, Korea</li> <li>1.2 Congratulatory Remarks • H.E. Mr. Oh Joon, Former President of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)</li> <li>1.3 Recap of EPWG 21 meeting • EPWG Co-Chairs</li> </ul>		
09:20 - 10:40	Session 2. Roundtable: Resilient Response Systems for Emerging Risks		
(80 minutes)			
	With the increasing frequency of disasters related to environmental changes, pandemics, and cyber threats, existing response frameworks alone are insufficient to effectively mitigate economic and social damages. APEC member economies are encouraged to collaborate to establish a resilient disaster management system, bridge capability gaps, and share advanced		



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	response models. By integrating these efforts into the EPWG Strategic Plan			
	(2025–2027), APEC can strengthen its leadership in disaster management			
	and lay a solid foundation for protecting future generations.			
	2.1 Invited speaker Presentations (50 minutes)			
	• Dr. Jae-hak Chung, NDMI, Korea – 15 minutes			
	• Dr. Kyoung-jun Kim, NDMI, Korea – 15 minutes			
	Mr. Néstor Alfonzo Santamaria, OECD – 20 minutes			
	2.2 Economies Presentation (15 minutes)			
	Dave Gawn, Chief Executive, NEMA, New Zealand			
	2.3 Q&A or Intervention (15 minutes)-ALL economies are expected			
	to participate			
	Malaysia and other economies			
10:40 – 11:00	Coffee Break			
(20 minutes)				
11:00 <b>–</b> 12:20	Session 3. Bridging Gaps in Early Warning Systems			
(80 minutes)	Early Warning Systems (EWS) play a crucial role in minimizing damage to life			
	and property; however, gaps persist in the access of information across			
	regions and communities which can hinder timely warnings. To address this			
	issue, it is crucial to leverage digital technologies to enhance EWS, establish			
	multi-channel alert systems, and strengthen targeted communication			
	strategies for all communities. Establishing robust measures to protect			
	groups like children, persons with disabilities, and the elderly is essential as			
	demographic shifts accelerate in the region. In particular, holistic warning			
	mechanisms which are based on multi-hazard detection and risk-based			
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	approach should be established to ensure effective early response			
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	<ul> <li>Yuichi Ono, IRIDeS (International Research Institute of Disaster Science), Tohoku University, Japan – 15 minutes</li> <li>3.2 Economies Presentation (35 minutes)</li> <li>Korea – 15 minutes</li> <li>Mexico – 10 minutes</li> <li>The United States – 10 minutes</li> <li>3.3 Intervention (15 minutes)</li> <li>Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia and other economies</li> </ul>	
12:20 – 14:00 (100 minutes)	LUNCH	
14:00 – 15:15 (75 minutes)	Session 4. Strengthening Multi-Layered Governance for Resilient Disaster Management  Effective disaster response requires a strong multi-layered governance system that integrates central and local governments, the private sector, local communities, and international organizations. Collaborative governance supports disaster prevention, recovery and infrastructure development. A centralized response approach alone is inadequate for tackling complex disaster risks. Therefore, it is essential to enhance the capacities of local governments, expand public-private partnerships (PPP), and strengthen international cooperation to develop balanced and durable disaster management policies. APEC member economies are encouraged to share best practices regarding governance frameworks and discuss policy directions to foster collaboration.	
	<ul> <li>4.0 Moderator</li> <li>Viet Nam (Ms. Dam Thi Hoa, Deputy Director of the Department of International Cooperation, VDDMA)</li> <li>4.1 Invited speaker Presentation (15 minutes)</li> <li>Dr. Tai-hoon Kim, NDMI, Korea</li> <li>4.2 Economies Presentation (30 minutes)</li> <li>Malaysia –Mr. Abdulgapar Bin Abubakar 10 minutes</li> </ul>	



	China, Mr. ZHANG Xuequan, National Disaster Reduction			
	Center, Ministry of Emergency Management of China – 10 minut			
	Peru– Ms. Frances Valdivia–10 minutes			
	4.3 Intervention (30 minutes)			
	Singapore, Peru and other economies			
15:15 – 15:35	Coffee Break			
(20 minutes)				
15:35 –	Session 5. Harnessing Technology for Effective Disaster			
16:50	Leadership			
(75 minutes)	Strengthening disaster response leadership requires a precise understanding			
	of how risk exposure and resilience differ across demographic changes. Such			
	understanding must be underpinned by a data-driven approach to ensure			
	evidence-based policy and decision-making. To support this understanding, it			
	is necessary to utilize advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence			
	(AI), big data, and satellite information for data collection and analysis. These			
	technologies enable accurate decision-making and timely communication,			
	thereby contributing to more effective leadership in disaster response. They			
	serve as key tools in enhancing leadership capacity. The discussions in this			
	session can serve as a cornerstone for accelerating the implementation of the			
	APEC 2025 work plan and as a starting point for expanding cooperation among all communities across Asia-Pacific.			
	5.0 Moderator			
	Chinese Taipei, Hongey Chen, Director/Wei-Sen Li Secretary.			
	General, NCDR			
	5.1 Invited speaker Presentations (30 minutes)			
	Dr. Saebom Jin, National Al Research Lab, KAIST, Korea – 15			
	minutes			
	• Dr. Ji-bum Chung, UNIST, Korea – 15 minutes			
	5.2 Economies Presentation (30 minutes)			
	Japan – 15 minutes			
	Mexico – 15 minutes			
	5.3 Intervention (15 minutes)			



	The Philippines and other economies	
16:50 –	Session 6. Wrap-up & Closing session	
17:00	Classification of documents • Secretariat	
(10 minutes)	Summary and conclusions • The Host Economy -Mr. LEE Chi-hun	
	Farewell and closing remarks by host economy • The Host	
	Economy- Mr. CHOI Young-soo	



Date: Friday, 1 August 2025

Time: 08:00-18:00 Korea Time (KST/UTC+8)

Venue: Incheon and Seoul

TIME	ACTIVITIES	
08:00- 09:40	Transfer (Songdo, Incheon → Seoul)	
09:40- 11:00	Group 1. The War Memorial of Korea  A comprehensive museum showcasing Korea's war history and military heritage. Link: www.warmemo.or.kr	A Joseon palace recognized by UNESCO for its natural harmony. Link: https://royal.khs.go.kr/cdg
11:00- 13:00	Lunch	
13:00- 14:30	Boramae Safety Experience Center (Group1+2) Disaster Experience (Earthquake, Typhoon, Fire Evacuation Experience, etc.) Link: https://fire.seoul.go.kr/boramae/	
14:30- 16:00	Transfer and Break	
16:00- 17:00	Incheon Smart City Integrated Operation Cent & G-Tower Observatory (Group1+2) Link: http://www.ismartcity.co.kr	
17:00- 18:00	Return to Songdo, Incheon	
END OF DAY THREE		