



ASIAN PRODUCTIVITY ORGANIZATION

## PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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1. **Project Code** 14-RP-13-GE-RES-C-01
2. **Project Title** Project Development Fund
3. **Project Activity** Expert Meeting on Asian Productivity Outlook and Policy
4. **Duration** 12 September 2016 (one day)
5. **Venue** Hanoi, Vietnam
6. **Number of Experts** 12 international and up to three national experts from Vietnam

### 7. **Background**

The APO Roadmap to Achieve Vision 2020 adopted by the APO Governing Body in April 2015 set the following three main goals: to enhance productivity of various sectors in member countries; improve the competitiveness rankings of member countries; and establish the APO as a leading international organization on productivity. To achieve the third goal, two of the key strategies adopted were to increase the visibility of the APO through its publications and organizing high-profile international events in partnership with other international organizations.

To support the above strategies, the APO in cooperation with the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Development Centre will publish the Asian Productivity Outlook and Policy (APOP). This will be an annual publication to be launched this year with the cooperation and support of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA). The 2016 issue of the publication focuses on Indonesia, the Philippines, and Vietnam.

An expert meeting will be convened consisting of selected NPO heads or their representatives in the capacity of experts along with senior government officials from relevant ministries and national development institutes responsible for formulating and implementing policies and programs on productivity enhancement and/or national policy studies. The experts from OECD, ESCAP, and ERIA will serve as the key resource persons in this meeting.

### 8. **Objectives**

- a. To discuss the overall plan of the APO and OECD for the annual publication APOP;
- b. To discuss the findings of the research that will be featured in APOP 2016 and gather comments/feedback from productivity stakeholders and experts from the three countries covered; and

- c. To share the future research areas and thrust of the APO, OECD, ESCAP, and ERIA related to productivity and identify possible areas for cooperation among them and with relevant national organizations.

## **9. Financial Arrangements**

### **To be borne by the APO**

- a. All assignment costs of experts other than those covered by ERIA and the OECD; and
- b. All local implementation costs.

### **To be borne by partner organizations (ERIA and OECD)**

- a. All assignment costs of international resource persons not covered by the APO.



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