



PROJECT NOTIFICATION

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Project Code	25-IP-16-GE-WSP-A
Title	Workshop on Good Regulatory Practice in the Automotive Industry to Achieve Net-zero Emission Targets
Timing	23 September 2025–26 September 2025
Hosting Country(ies)	Malaysia
Venue City(ies)	Kuala Lumpur
Modality	Face-to-face
Implementing Organization(s)	Malaysia Productivity Corporation
Participating Country(ies)	All Member Countries
Overseas Participants	19
Local Participants	6
Closing Date	21 July 2025
Remarks	Not Applicable

Objectives	Understand the changes happening in the automotive industry, especially the transition to electrified vehicles (xEVs) for net-zero emission compliance; explore the ongoing transition of the automobile industry in boosting productivity, supporting energy efficiency, and reducing emissions; assess the needs of the automotive industry for successful shifts to xEVs; and introduce good regulatory practices (GRPs) to create agile, supportive government policies for the transition of the automotive industry.
Rationale	The automotive industry plays a big role in many countries. It provides jobs, supports local businesses, and drives economic growth. But it also produces a lot of emissions. Many countries in the APO region are planning or beginning to switch from full fuel-based vehicles to xEVs. However, this shift is not easy as local ecosystems are not ready and policies to support the transition are still in the infancy stage.
Background	<p>xEVs are growing in popularity around the world, but they require big investments in new infrastructure and facilities such as charging stations and motor and battery factories. For policymakers and industry leaders, it is important to choose the right strategy that fits their national situation while still helping to meet climate goals. This is where GRPs can help by guiding governments to set policies that are suitable, sustainable, and supportive of all industry players.</p> <p>This workshop will explore the different technology paths being followed in the automotive industry, highlighting the ongoing transition to xEV options in APO member economies, including relevant smart policies based on GRPs to smoothen the transition and make it more inclusive among different stakeholders involved.</p>
Topics	Global trends in xEVs including after-sales services; Electricity generation at national level; Automotive industry readiness; Full fuel-based vehicles vs. xEVs: Pros, cons, and impacts; Examples using various xEV options; xEVs and net-zero emission; and How to set good policies using GRPs.
Outcome	Enhanced understanding of the main differences among various xEV options and impacts on productivity performance, energy efficiency, and emissions, while strengthening the use of GRP tools to design more effective policies in APO members for the automotive industry.
Qualifications	Policymakers and regulators in the Ministries of Transport, Environment, or Industrial Development; representatives of automobile manufacturers and suppliers' networks; experts on industrial productivity or clean mobility; and GRP practitioners and policy analysts.

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.



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