News Release

APEC launches new statistics portal: StatsAPEC

Singapore, 1 July 2010 - Today APEC launched its new statistics portal, StatsAPEC. StatsAPEC is the only consolidated source of trade, financial and socio-economic data on APEC's 21 member economies.*

StatsAPEC can be accessed at <u>http://statistics.apec.org/</u>. The data dates back to APEC's inception in 1989 and can be exported to Microsoft Excel for further analysis.

As a result of this new portal, business people, government officials, the media, researchers, students and the public-at-large now have free access to an extensive database of statistics.

StatsAPEC is made up of two databases:

- 1. The Key Indicators Database
- 2. The Bilateral Linkages Database

The Key Indicators Database includes over 120 trade, financial and socio-economic indicators, allowing for detailed analysis of trends in the APEC region. The indicators cover areas such as:

- Gross domestic product
- Population
- Unemployment
- Education levels
- CO2 omissions

The Bilateral Linkages Database facilitates detailed analysis of trade and investment flows within APEC and between APEC and the world. It includes statistics on items such as:

- Merchandise trade
- Foreign direct investment
- Bank lending

Also, APEC aggregates are available for a broad range of indicators, making it easy to examine the region as a whole. APEC aggregates are a feature unique to StatsAPEC.

StatsAPEC has been developed by the APEC Policy Support Unit. Other PSU work can be accessed <u>here</u>.

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