

Statement from the National Center for APEC RE: APEC Chile Cancellations

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This morning, the Chilean Government announced the cancellation of the APEC meetings scheduled for mid-November in Santiago, Chile, citing the need to address recent and ongoing domestic issues.

Unfortunately, this decision also includes the cancellation of the APEC CEO Summit Chile 2019 and the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC) meetings that were scheduled to be held in conjunction with the APEC meetings.

These are extraordinary circumstances and we fully understand and support Chile's decision to prioritize their efforts to focus attention and resources at home.

The US business community applauds the enormous efforts and hard work accomplished by many Chileans throughout their year as the Host Economy to advance APEC's efforts to foster public-private dialogue and bring prosperity and inclusive, sustainable economic growth to the region. As Chair, Chile hosted successful APEC ministerial and other high-level meetings on [Trade](#), [Finance](#), [Women's Empowerment](#), the [Digital](#) Economy, and [many more](#).

The important work of APEC continues. Plans and meetings are already set for the APEC 2020 Malaysia host year, that will focus on global and regional trade, investment and growth; ensuring shared prosperity; and technologies that maximize human potential.