

APEC 2021

a virtual welcome to New Zealand



There has never been a more important time to join together. As we plan for recovery from Covid-19, the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) will play an important role in helping us all rebuild and recover.

Like never before, the scale of the challenges the world faces today requires us all to work together in the interests of the greater good. APEC 2021 will create an environment where connections can be strengthened, and APEC's important work can continue.

The way we respond as a region to today's challenges will be felt for generations to come. APEC economies will progress work for a long-lasting recovery for the entire region at APEC 2021.

Join, Work, Grow. Together.
Haumi ē, Hui ē, Tāiki ē.

A Virtual APEC

2021 is the first time a full APEC year will be hosted virtually.

This means APEC's work responding to Covid-19's impact on the region's economy, and progressing sustainable and inclusive trade can continue.

New Zealand is committed to creating the space for a successful year of digital diplomacy.

38%

of global population

47%

global trade

170

Regional Trade Agreements and

Free Trade Agreements in place.



21 members

Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Chile, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, the Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, the United States of America and Viet Nam.

What is APEC?

APEC is a group of 21 economies in the Asia-Pacific region that works to create greater prosperity for people across the region through balanced, inclusive, sustainable and innovative growth.

It works to break down barriers to trade and investment, and supports all residents of the Asia-Pacific to participate in the economy.

APEC adapts to allow members to deal with new challenges to the region's economic wellbeing, including disaster resilience and responding to pandemics.

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APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC)

- ABAC's primary function is to provide advice to APEC leaders each year on the implementation of APEC's work programme from a business perspective. It is made up of three private sector representatives from each APEC member economy. Advice is given through a range of avenues including to APEC Senior Officials and directly to APEC Economy Leaders at the annual Dialogue with APEC Leaders.

APEC CEO Summit – the APEC CEO Summit is one of the Asia-Pacific's premier business forums

- Attracting influential Asia-Pacific CEOs
- Addressing key challenges and opportunities for business
- Showcasing New Zealand as a place of business inclusion, digital creativity & sophistication

Voices of the Future – APEC's Voices of the Future summit gives young people a rare opportunity to engage with political and business leaders. It provides a platform for current and future leaders to exchange ideas on important issues.

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