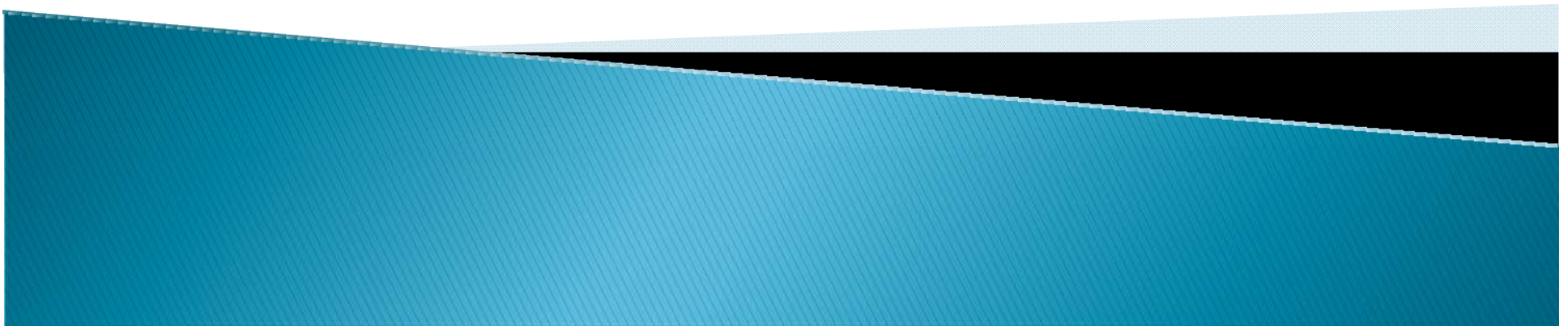


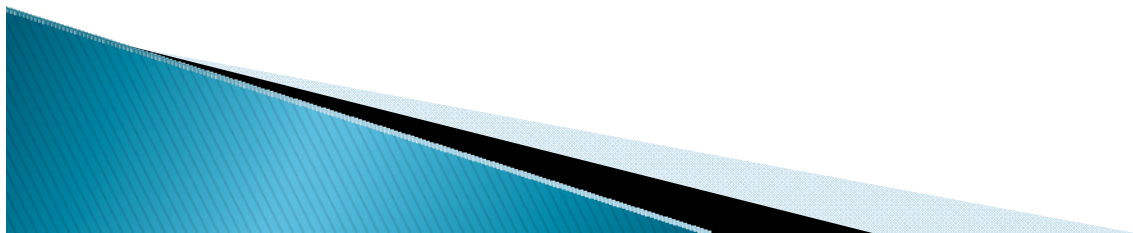
8th Ministers' Forum on Infrastructure Development in the Asia–Pacific Region

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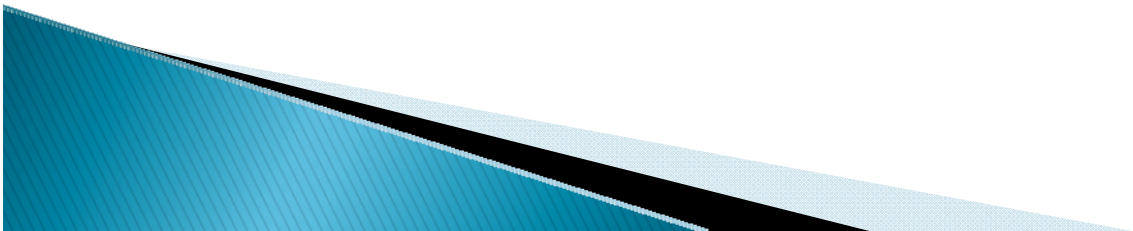
About Ministers' Forum

- ▶ Initiated by the former Ministry of Construction of Japan in September 1995.
- ▶ A unique international platform;
 - To discuss development strategies and policies,
 - To exchange views,
 - To share experiences,
on addressing challenges in the field of infrastructural development.



Member Economies


- ▶ 20 countries and region
 - Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Hong Kong SAR, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Vietnam
- ▶ Most of members are overlapped with APEC Economies.



Overview of the Past Forums

	City/Country	Month/Year	Participating Economies	Theme
1 st	Osaka, Japan	Sep. 1995	16	–
2 nd	Santiago, Chile	June 1997	16	–
3 rd	Hong Kong	May 1999	14	–
4 th	Bali, Indonesia	Oct. 2003	15	Enhancing Ways of Financing Infrastructure to Expedite Economic Development
5 th	Putrajaya, Malaysia	Jan 2005	13	Balancing Infrastructure Development and Environment
6 th	Beijing, China	Aug. 2007	10	Investment and Financing System Reform of Infrastructure Services and Sustainable Use of Water
7 th	Singapore	June 2009	12	Integrating Water Infrastructure Planning with Sustainable Urban Development

About 8th Forum

- ▶ Date: 8 – 9 October 2010
 - ▶ Venue: Tokyo, Japan
 - ▶ Proposed theme:
 - “Adaptation of infrastructure to increasing water-related risks under the influence of climate change”
 - ▶ Chair: H.E. Mr. Maehara, Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
 - ▶ Organiser: Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT)
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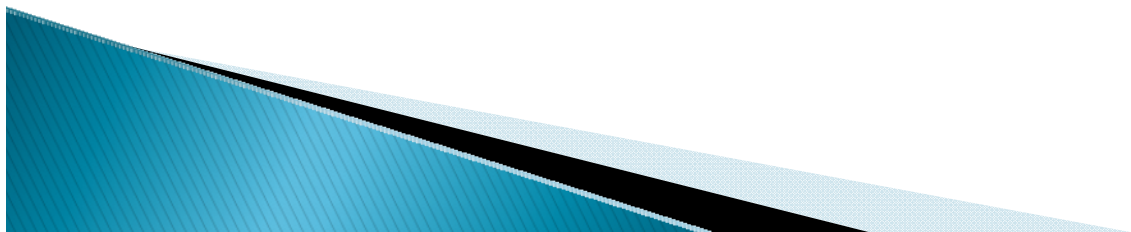
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- ▶ Rough Programme:

8 October = Senior Officials Meeting (SOM)

Afternoon	Registration
	Welcome Address Adoption of Agenda Country Paper Presentations Break
	Consideration of Ministers' Declaration Consideration of Agenda for Ministers' Forum Closing Remark

*Detailed programme is to be arranged based on requests / intentions of participating countries.



About 8th Forum

▶ Rough Programme:

9 October = Ministers' Forum

Morning	Site visit (for those who are interested)
Afternoon	Registration
	Welcome Address Adoption of Agenda Report by Chairman of Senior Official Meeting Ministers' Roundtable – Statement and Discussion Photo taking and Tea Break
	Ministers' Roundtable – Statement and Discussion Adoption of Ministers' Declaration Closing Remark
Evening	Dinner hosted by H.E. Mr. Maehara, Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

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About 8th Forum

▶ Invitations

- The invitations to the 8th Ministers' Forum have been sent out to Ministers of 19 Economies by April 2010.

▶ Preparations

In July 2010,

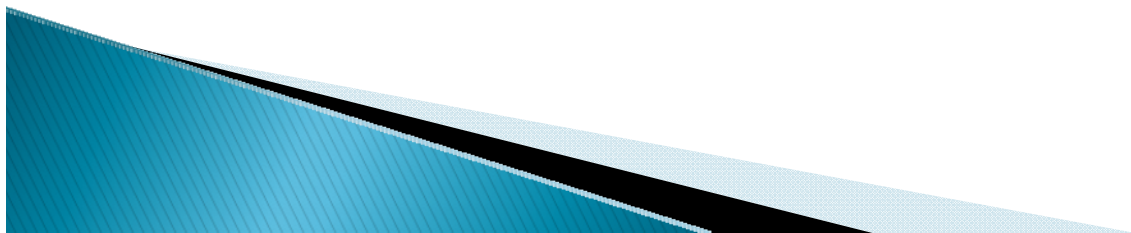
- Ask for draft of Country Paper to each participating economies.
- Propose a draft of Ministers' Declaration.
- Present the logistics plan.



About 8th Forum

▶ Logistics and Organisation

- Flights to/from Japan and Accommodation should be borne by participating countries.
- Transport of Ministers during their stay in Japan and Airport transfer of entourages are to be arranged by the Organiser (MLIT).
- Cost of the operation of the Forum is to be borne by the Organiser (MLIT).



See you in October in Tokyo.

Thank you for your attention.

