Regional Initiative:
APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security

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APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security: An Overview

• Dates
  – 16-17 October 2010

• Venue
  – Niigata City, Japan

• Participants
  – APEC Ministers responsible for food security
APEC Member Economies

( Total membership: 21 economies )
APEC: Major forum for economic cooperation

APEC

Total: US$12,613.3 bil.

EU

Total: US$10,816.1 bil.

NAFTA

Total: US$4,373.8 bil.
Rationales for APEC to address food security

(i) A quarter of the world undernourished resides
(ii) Half of the world grain production
(iii) Major players in exports and imports in agricultural trade
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(iv) Sensitivity to natural disasters which disrupts food supply

- **Japan**
  - Niigata earth quake (Oct. 2004)
- **China**
  - Szechuan earth quake (May 2008)
- **Philippine & Viet Nam**
  - Flood by Typhoon KETSANA (16th in 2009)
- **Australia**
  - Drought (06/07) the worst in 100 yrs
- **USA**
  - Hurricane KATRINA (Aug. 2005)
- **Indonesia**
  - Tsunami caused by earthquake (Dec. 2004)
- **Chile**
  - Tsunami caused by earthquake (Feb. 2010)
Roles of APEC in Food Security

- Expanding availability of food including through raising agricultural productivity and expanding markets.
- Contributions to APEC human security and Growth Strategy.
- Provision of positive examples for non-members.
APEC Ministerial Meeting on Food Security Agenda and Outputs

- **Agenda**
  - Sustainable Development of the Agricultural Sector
  - Facilitation of Investment, Trade and Markets

- **Possible key outputs**
  - Ministerial Declaration
  - Food Security Action Plan
Thank you for your attention.