PROJECT NOTIFICATION

14 February 2014

1. Project Code 14-RP-12-GE-DON-C

2. Project Title Development of Center of Excellence

3. Duration Between one week to several weeks, depending on the type of project or activity

4. Venue APO member countries

5. Implementing Organizations This project will be implemented by the APO Secretariat in close collaboration with participating APO member countries

6. Objectives
   a. To support the initiatives of the APO Center of Excellence on Green Productivity (COE on GP) and facilitate knowledge sharing in a specific field or area to promote productivity among member countries; and
   b. To support undertakings in member countries to promote and scale up activities on the subject covered by the COE.

7. Background
   The 55th session of the Governing Body Meeting in Tokyo in May 2013 approved the establishment of the APO COE on GP under the auspices of the China Productivity Center. The COE will support the APO in the promotion and implementation of activities in key areas under the GP banner. These areas may include resource recycling, green energy, green factories, green buildings, agri-eco innovation, and other priority areas identified in the research on need assessment of member countries.

8. Scope
   a. Convening expert meetings, roundtable conferences and workshops;
   b. Assigning of international and national experts and APO Secretariat staff in a; and
   c. Development and publication of GP manuals and case studies.

9. Implementation Procedures
   The Research and Planning Department will be coordinating the COE project. It will prepare specific Project Implementation Plans for the project activities to be undertaken within the year in close coordination and consultation with concerned departments in the Secretariat and NPOs in member countries.
10. Financial Arrangements

To be borne by the APO

a. All assignment costs of overseas and national experts;

b. Local implementation costs including rental of conference rooms, documentation, etc.; and

c. Other preparatory costs, if applicable.

To be borne by the host country

Part of the local implementation costs as necessary.

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