

**The 22<sup>nd</sup> AFACT Plenary**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Hosting Member Economy: Singapore**  
**Venue: Taurus/Leo Room, Marina Mandarin**  
**September 21, 2004**

- **Date:** September 21, 2004
- **Venue:** Taurus/Leo Room, Marina Mandarin
- **Chairman:** Mr Kenneth Lim (Singapore)
- **Attendance**

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## 1. OPENINGS

The chairman welcomed all Steering Committee members (STC), Head of Delegations (HODs), Joint Working Group Chairs (JWG), delegates and observers to the 22<sup>nd</sup> AFACT Plenary meeting. He hoped all would have a fruitful discussion and participation, and wished all a pleasant stay in Singapore.

The chairman started the meeting by introducing himself and the STC members seated at the head table: Mr Gary Gong (AFACT secretariat), Mr T.A. Khan (Vice Chair of UN/CEFACT), Mr Tran Thanh Hai (Vice Chair of AFACT), Mr Javed Naushahi (Vice Chair of AFACT) and Mr Sang-Won Lim (UN/CEFACT Rapporteur for Asia).

## 2. INTRODUCTION OF HODS & JWG CHAIRS

The chairman requested the HODs to introduce themselves. The HODs were:

Australia:	Mr Michael Groom
Chinese Taipei:	Mr Neng-Jong Lin
India:	Mr T.A. Khan
Japan:	Mr Shumpei Nakagaki
Korea:	Mr Jong-Hee Kim
Malaysia:	Dr Noraliah Mohd Zahri
Pakistan:	Syed Khurshed Shah (representative for Mr. Javed Naushahi)
Singapore:	Mr Kamarudin Bin Tambi
Thailand:	Mr ThongChai, Sangsiri
Vietnam:	Ms Ta Diu Thuong (representative for Ms Nguyen Thi Thu Huong)
ebXML Asia Committee	Mr Hisanao Sugamata      Japan

This is followed by the introduction of Joint Working Group (JWG) chairs:



Finance Working Group (FWG)	Mr S. Ganesh Kumar (Temporary Chair)	India
Air Transport Working Group (ATWG)	Mr Dinesh Kumar	India
Inter-networking Implementation Working Group (IIC) & Customs Working Group (CWG)	Mdm Siti Aminah Abdullah (Temporary Chair CWG)	Malaysia
Business Collaboration Framework Working Group (BCFWG)		
	Mr Simon Seow	Malaysia
Legal Working Group (LWG)	Mr Zahid Usman Jamil	Pakistan
Supply Chain Working Group (SCWG)	Mr Yong-Jae Kim	Korea
Awareness and Education Working Group (AEWG)		
	Mr Zaid Ismail	Malaysia
Security Working Group (SWG)	Mr Perry Liu	Chinese Taipei
Transport Working Group (TWG)	Mr S. Anbalagan	Malaysia
XML Working Group (XMLWG)	Mr Karlson Hsia	Chinese Taipei

Thereafter, Mr Ser Tee Hong introduced himself. He represented Pan-Asian eCommerce Alliance (PAA), expressed his appreciation to AFACT STC in accepting PAA as an associate member in the 22<sup>nd</sup> AFACT. Cambodia representative, Mr Pel Chanvirak, also introduced himself.

Lastly, Mr Kenji Itoh introduced himself. He had been attending AFACT meeting and seeing its success of AFACT since its establishment.

The chairman encouraged all to get to know each other better during breaks.

### **3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The chairman asked the Plenary if any changes were required on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Meeting agenda. There was no objection and the Chairman approved the Agenda.

#### **4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mr T.A. Khan suggested to include the adoption of the last 21<sup>st</sup> AFACT Plenary Meeting minutes, in Karachi and the 22<sup>nd</sup> Mid-term STC Meeting minutes, in Singapore. The chairman agreed.

##### **4.1 ADOPTION OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> AFACT PLENARY MEETING MINUTES**

Mr Khan requested all to refer to the AFACT Yearbook on page 34, item No. 6, last paragraph and compliment the respective JWG, who had followed the required standards for reporting, which had been approved in the 22<sup>nd</sup> STC Meeting.

He also asked to refer to item No. 7 and invited the attention of all to follow a proper election procedure by JWG chairs to submit the nomination well in advance before Plenary meeting.

Mr Gary Gong took this opportunity to introduce and distribute the AFACT Yearbook, who might not have received it during the registration. He highlighted that all could find the delegates' country report in the book if they had submitted before the deadline.

The chairman approved the 21<sup>st</sup> AFACT Plenary Meeting minutes with no further comment from the meeting.

##### **4.2 ADOPTION OF THE 22<sup>ND</sup> AFACT MID-TERM STC MEETING MINUTES**

The chairman approved the 22<sup>nd</sup> AFACT Mid-term STC Meeting minutes with no amendment from the meeting.

##### **4.3 ADOPTION OF THE 22<sup>ND</sup> AFACT STC MEETING MINUTES**

Mr Kamarudin went through the draft of the 22<sup>nd</sup> AFACT STC Meeting minutes.

Mr Khan suggested that inputs from those who attended the meeting be sought and that the adoption of 22<sup>nd</sup> AFACT STC Meeting minutes be done in the next STC meeting.

The chairman agreed.

## 5. RATIFICATION OF CAMBODIA AS MEMBER AND PAA AS ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Mr Khan proposed the acceptance of both members which was seconded by Mr Javed and Mr Sang-Won Lim.

The chairman requested all to welcome both Cambodia and PAA. This was followed by words of thanks from both representatives; ie Mr Pel Chanvirak (Cambodia) and Mr Ser Tee Hong (PAA).

## 6 COUNTRY PROGRESS REPORTS

The chairman gave 7 minutes for each member to present their Country Progress Report due to time constraint. The reports were presented by HODs as follows:

- a. Australia by Mr Michael Groom
- b. Chinese Taipei by Mr Lin Neng-Jong

Before the break, the chairman invited the Hong Kong delegate, Mr K. K. Suen who was present in the meeting. Mr K. K. Suen introduced himself and informed that discussion with the Hong Kong government was still in process. It was also indicated that due to changes in the personnel, the discussion would be reinitiated.

- c. India by Mr T. A. Khan

Mr Khan informed that all could find his report in year book, page 73.

- d. Japan by Mr Shumpei Nakagaki
- e. Korea by Mr Kim Jong-Hee
- f. Malaysia by Dr. Noraliah Mohd Zahri
- g. Pakistan by Mr Syed Khurshed Shah
- h. Singapore by Mr Kamarudin Bin Tambi
- i. Thailand by Mr Sangsiri Thongchai
- j. Vietnam by Ms Ta Diu Thuong



Dr Eva Yueh requested members to invite experts in Finance/Banking to join next year's meeting for their expertise sharing.

## **7. ebXML ASIA COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr Hisanao Sugamata presented the report and invited all to join their next meeting to be held in Korea in October this year.

## **8. PAA REPORT**

Mr Ser Tee Hong presented the report. Mr Khan expressed his interest in cross recognition issues to be discussed further with Mr Ser during the break due to time constraint.

## **9 JOINT WORKING GROUP PROGRESS REPORTS**

The chairman thanked presenters who had used Powerpoint for their report presentation and asked all to continue this mechanism in subsequent meetings.

The JWG chairs presented their progress report as follows:

- a. ATWG by Mr Dinesh Kumar, India
- b. CWG & IIC by Mdm Siti Aminah Abdullah, Malaysia
- c. BCFWG by Mr Simon Seow, Malaysia – New WG

Following the examples of CWG's IIC project and BCF's ECO project, Mr Khan suggested all JWG chairs to come out with at least one project for their respective working groups which should involve members' cooperation. Dr Eva Yueh seconded and would like the respective WG to form joint projects.

The chairman requested all JWG chairs to work out a concrete agenda and discuss it in the next meeting. The chairman also requested UN/CEFACT Rapporteur for Asia to find experts in UN/CEFACT to train the working group (BCF).

- d. LWG by Mr Zahid Jamil, Pakistan

Mr Zahid Jamil highlighted that the recommendations No. 31 & 32 that were presented to

the 21<sup>st</sup> AFACT Plenary. He proposed these to be considered as official Recommendations of AFACT for submission to Governments, International Organizations, Business and Commercial Groups.

- e. SCWG by Mr Kim Yong Jae, Korea
- f. SWG by Mr Perry Liu, Chinese Taipei
- g. AEWG by Mr Zaid Ismail, Malaysia

Mr. Zaid commented on the need for continued and increased participation in the AEWG. Mr. Groom from Australia seconded this comment as the AEWG should be more active in its marketing and awareness role to member countries and the region. Mr. Groom proposed that the majority of the work be conducted via e-mail and as such all HoD's, the Secretariat and the UN/CEFACT Rapporteur for Asia be standing members of the group to enable consistency and the clarity in the message of the value of AFACT participation.

Mr Javed asked about the AFACT hand book and Mr Zaid Ismail replied that it will be done by this year.

- h. TWG by Mr S. Anbalagan, Malaysia
- i. XML WG by Mr Karlson Hsia, Chinese Taipei – New Chair

The XML WG recommended AFACT to endorse ebXML for implementing eBusiness.

Mr. Sangwon Lim said ebXML Asia Committee is the focal point for submitting Asia's core components to UN/CEFACT. XML JWG should provide its candidate core components and recommendations to the eb/XML Asia Committee to pass on to UN/CEFACT. The chairman asked the AFACT secretariat to work with WG chair to review and put up the recommendation for discussion in next mid-term STC meeting.

There were some discussions on the collaboration between AFACT JWG and UN/CEFACT WGs together with the participation procedure for UN/CEFACT. The chairman requested UN/CEFACT Rapporteur for Asia, Chair of ebXML Asia Committee and AFACT Secretariat to jointly find out the participation procedure for various UN/CEFACT levels (Plenary, Forum, Group and WGs).

The chairman suggested the secretariat to put up and propose the new organisation chart for STC attention. It was seconded by Mr Khan.

- j. FWG by S. Ganesh Kumar, India

Mr S. Ganesh Kumar on behalf of the chairman Mr Arif Siddiqui concluded that there were varied levels of FEDI implementation across countries. Hence there was a need for a survey to be conducted in respect of the financial sector.

HODs will be requested through secretariat to identify a contact person in the country to liaise with FWG by Oct. 31, 2004 and draft questionnaire will be forwarded to all countries by Nov. 30, 2004.

Dr Eva requested FWG to submit a proposal to AFACT secretariat and would review the input.

The Chairman thanked all the chair of JWGs for the presentation and useful discussions.

#### **10. REPORT BY UN/CEFACT Vice Chair**

Mr T.A.Khan presented the report to the meeting. He mentioned about the challenges faced and said that UN/CEFACT had worked out an internationally agreed roadmap, including efficiency and security in the supply chain. He also updated some of the recently released work like UN/EDIFACT D.04A, UN/LOCODE 2004-2 code list and Standard Business Document Header Technical Specification version 1.2.

Mr T.A. Khan expressed his thanks to the hosting country for organizing such an excellent event.

#### **11. UN/CEFACT RAPPORTEUR FOR ASIA REPORT**

Several future UN/CEFACT meetings were highlighted. These are :-

- 6<sup>th</sup> UN/CEFACT Forum from March 14 – 18, 2005 in Malaysia
- 11<sup>th</sup> UN/CEFACT Plenary from June 20 – 24, 2005 in Geneva
- 7<sup>th</sup> UN/CEFACT Forum in September 2005 in Europe

He also mentioned the History of the IPR and the Indemnity Clause.

On the liason with UN/CEFACT's Working Group, Mr Sang-Won Lim explained how the working group in UN/CEFACT can be mapped to AFACT working group. He suggested the



upcoming 6<sup>th</sup> Forum will be a good starting point for UN/CEFACT and AFACT collaboration since it will be held in AFACT region and would provide opportunity to AFACT members to attend the UN/CEFACT Forum.

## **12. AFACT SECRETARIAT REPORT**

Dr Eva presented the report. She updated that AFACT STC members recognised the contribution made by and expertise of Mr Kenji Itoh, and would like to invite him to participate in the AFACT meetings as an expert on an annual basis.

For the 2005 STC, she also updated the confirmed 2 elected HODs, Mr Shumpei Nakagaki from Japan and Dr Ajin Jirachiefpattanu from Thailand. The host of 2006 AFACT will be Pakistan.

She thanked all members' continued support and recognised Chinese Taipei to continue the 2<sup>nd</sup> term of AFACT secretariat (Oct/05 – Oct/09). She also encouraged all to feedback for better collaboration and achieve the mission together.

## **13. BCF - ECO PROJECT PROGRESS UPDATE**

Mr Kamarudin presented the BCF – ECO project update. He mentioned that the team had worked out the ECO draft data model. Subsequently, the team would be working on the XML implementation of the ECO data model, ECO collaboration model and the ECO Interoperability Test Specification.

## **14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

### **14.1 IPR Issues**

Mr Zahid Jamil presented to all on the UN/CEFACT IPR issues for information.

### **14.2 People's Republic of China (PRC) Participation**

Mr Javed Naushahi requested Mr Kenji Itoh on PRC's participation in AFACT meeting. Mr Kenji Itoh updated that he had sent email to CEC PRC in June, 2004, but had not received any active response. He suggested that either Mr T.A.Khan or Mr Sang Won Lim to follow up. The AFACT Secretariat, on the basis of its communication with CEC representative, explained that China could not participate in AFACT and UN/CEFACT meetings in recent

years due to its organizational matters.

## 15 23<sup>RD</sup> AFACT Meeting and EDICOM 2005

The chairman thanked all HODs and JWG chairs for the good work done. He asked member countries HOD to send in the Expression of Interest for the hosting of AFACT from 2007 onwards to AFACT secretariat.

He officially handed over the AFACT chairmanship to Mr Tran Thanh Hai. Mr Tran Thanh Hai thanked AFACT for giving Vietnam the opportunity to host the AFACT event. He mentioned that the meetings will be held as follow:-

- 23<sup>rd</sup> AFACT STC Mid-Term Meeting – To be held in Hanoi, from May 9 – 10 2005.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> AFACT Meeting and EDICOM 2005 – To be held in Hanoi, from September 19 – 23 2005.

## 16. CLOSING REMARKS

Mr Kenneth Lim, Chairman of AFACT Steering Committee thanked all the participants for their participation and fruitful discussions.