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Council for Trade
Facilitation &
eBusiness Plenary
Meeting**

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AFACT in 2016: Meetings

○ 2016 Mid-Term Meeting

- Held in Hamamatsu, Japan, 23-25 May 2016
- Participating countries: Chinese Taipei, Japan, Iran and Thailand

Secretariat: Mahmood Zargar, Azadeh Bagheri

UNESCAP representative : AFACT Chair on behalf of Sangwon Lim

- StC Pre-meeting, StC meeting, 3 WGs Discussion: BDC chaired by Mitsuru Ishigaki; TT&L chaired by: Akio Suzuki; TMC-CSC Chaired by: Hisanao Sugamata and Eva Yueh

○ Major Decisions made:

- The 2016 year book will be provided and agreed with the draft schedule prepared by AFACT secretariat.
- StC agreed the draft amendment of Bylaw to be provided to the 34th AFACT plenary for its approval.
- StC assigned Wanawit Ahkuputra as BDC chair and assigned Mitsuru Ishigaki(Japan) as acting BDC co-chair during year 2016.
- StC noted the plan of AFACT host about AFACT plenary to be held in Tokyo Japan on Monday 7th – Wednesday 9th November 2016.

● **Major Decisions made:**

- StC re-confirmed HOD Chinese Taipei will be AFACT host in 2017. StC expects HOD Republic of Korea might accept the AFACT host in 2018 taking into consideration of their original intention to be AFACT 2016.
- StC noted the necessity of introducing a candidate at 34th AFACT Plenary as UN/CEFACT Rapporteur for Asia and the Pacific in the election of Rapporteur (2017-2018) on 23rd UN/CEFACT plenary

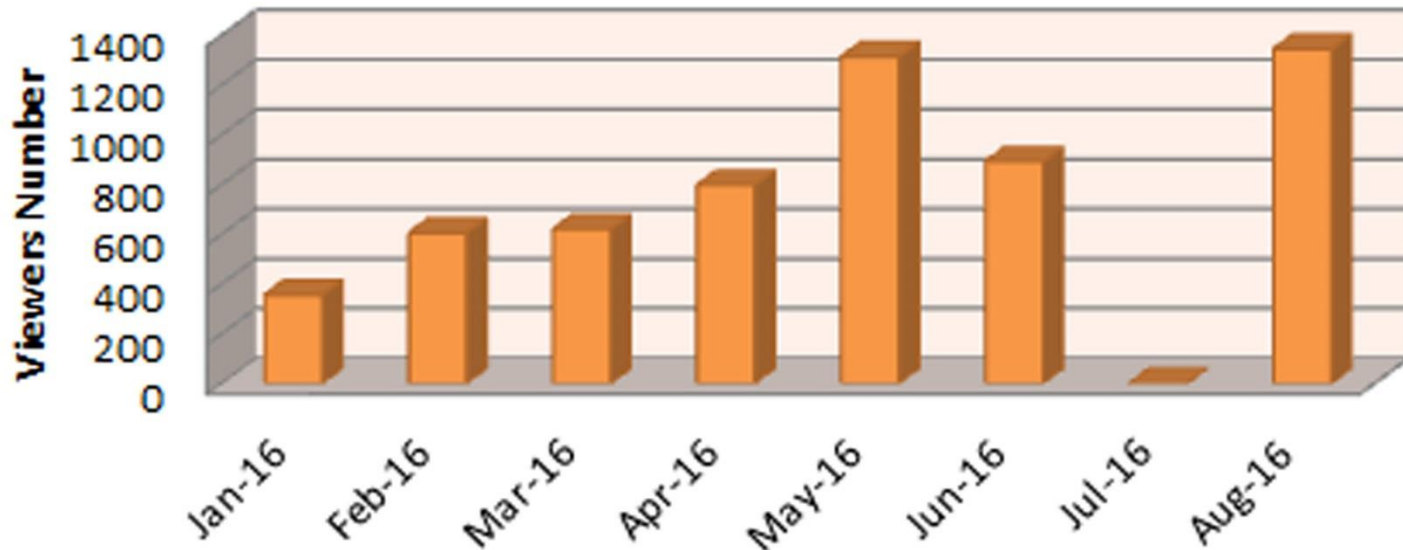
○ AFACT online meetings

○ 9 Tel-conferences since the beginning of 2016:

1. 04 Jan. 2016
2. 01 Feb. 2016
3. 07 March 2016
4. 06 Apr. 2016
5. 02 May 2016
6. 11 July 2016
7. 01 Aug. 2016
8. 05 Sep. 2016
9. 04 Oct. 2016

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List of completed WMRs

WMR No.	Subject	Issued Date
WMR 0003	Publication of 33rd MID-TERM/Plenary documents	2016/01/18
WMR 0004	Publication of 2015 e-ASIA documents	2016/01/18
WMR 0005	Adding linkage to UN/CEFACT,UNESCAP,TFIG and PAA	2016/01/18
WMR 0006	Modifying Contents of 'Structure' tab	2016/02/01
WMR 0007	For coping with searching engines like google, effective key words should be adopted in the website	2016/02/01
WMR 0008	Adding Statistics function of number of access	2016/02/01
WMR 0009	Adding deliverables to 'Major Deliverables tab'	2016/02/06
WMR 0010	Adding 'Description' to each tab	2016/02/10
WMR 0011	Adding Charter of CSC,BDC and CSC	2016/04/10
WMR 0012	Adding new BDC Chair to the committee chair of Structure	2016/05/27
WMR 0013	Updating News tab	2016/05/30
WMR 0014	Updating Archives tab regarding documents of 34th MID-TERM Meeting	2016/05/30
WMR 0015	Adding a function for Introduction of active projects	2016/08/16

AFACT Structure



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Major Challenges

- **Yearbook 2016 Not finalized Yet** (originally it was supposed to be finalized and published on 7 November 2016)
- **ECOSOC Application: Application was not accepted during year 2016 due to insufficient accounting report**
- **Approach to UN/CEFACT Bureau and Secretariat for MoU**
- **Motivating other AFACT member states**



AFACT in 2017

- **Midterm and Plenary Meetings Hosted by Chinese Taipei**
- **eAsia Awards 2017**
- **Submission of Materials for yearbook 2016**



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Thank You!