

an APEC and Airbnb Tourism Forum 3 November - 11 November 2020

COVID-19 will leave tourism forever changed. The APEC Tourism Working Group, the National Center for APEC (NCAPEC) and Airbnb are hosting a series of online panel talks on the future of the industry.

Session 1

Reopening travel in APEC

11am-12pm (UTC+8), November 3 2020

The dream of seamless travel across APEC has been heavily set back by COVID-19. This panel considers how to facilitate reopening travel and explores innovative ideas to enable a vibrant and competitive APEC tourism industry of the future.

Panelists:

Mr Chris Lehane

SVP for Global Policy and Communications, Airbnb

Mr Keith Tan

- Chief Executive, Singapore Tourism Board
- Mr Vinoop Goel
 Regional Director, Airports & External Relations, Asia
 Pacific, International Air Transport Association (IATA)

Moderator: Ms Hermione Joye, Sector Lead, Travel and Vertical Search, Asia Pacific, Google

Session 2

Reimagining destinations: balancing survival and sustainability

11am-12pm (UTC+8), November 6 2020

Concerns about overtourism have largely been replaced with the need to drive recovery, but to what extent should destinations be using this opportunity as a chance to reset and reimagine tourism? Panelists will discuss how we might travel better and more sustainably in the future.

Panelists:

- Dr Rebecca Fatima Sta Maria APEC Secretariat Executive Director
- A/Prof Jutamas (Jan) Wisansing
 Member, Strategic Team, Thailand Ministry of Tourism and Sports
- Mr Bruce Bassett
 Strategy and Policy Manager, Tourism Industry
 Antearoa (TIA)

Moderator: Ms Anita Roth, Global Director, Strategic Engagement and Policy, Airbnb

Session 3

Technology driving tourism recovery and shared prosperity

11am-12pm (UTC+8), November 11 2020

The internet has helped open access to tourism and create economic opportunities for all sectors of society. Panelists will discuss how travel technology and the digital economy can drive tourism recovery, and ensure the opportunities created reach underrepresented groups and populations.

Panelists:

- Mr Yew Heng Lim
 Regional Head of Public Affairs, Grab
- Mr Darzy Norhalim
 Director of Digital Inclusion Division, Malaysia Digital
 Economy Corporation (MDEC)
- Dr Mario Hardy
 CEO, Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA)
- Mr Nicolás Caram
 Leader of Adventure Tourism Development,
 Undersecretary of Tourism, Chile

Moderator: Mr James Lambert, Director of Economic Consulting, Asia, Oxford Economics









