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Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to invite you to the 6th APEC Conference on Cooperation in Higher Education (APEC CCHE'17) "*Diploma and Qualification Recognition for People-to-People Connectivity*" that will take place on September 6-7, 2017 at Far Eastern Federal University (FEFU) in Vladivostok, the Russian Federation.

The 6th APEC Conference responds to APEC priorities on the Leaders' and Ministers' level which encourage member economies to continue to promote cross-border education cooperation more broadly and improve people to people connectivity to support globally relevant education systems.

Aligned with the Joint Statement of the 6th APEC Education Ministerial Meeting and APEC Education Strategy, the main agenda of the Conference will be embedded into discussions on new steps in recognition of education in APEC and development of final recommendations on this issue.

Recalling the 2015 APEC Leaders' Statement, the Conference will continue to work on enhancing cross-border education through developing new modes and approaches to education delivery.

For implementation of the previously adopted decisions such as Leaders' Declarations and Joint Ministerial Statements, the Conference will focus on actions that support both physical and virtual forms of student, academic, researcher, professional and provider mobility that will foster inclusive and innovative growth across APEC.

The organizers of the conference are Far Eastern Federal University, the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, the Ministry for the Development of the Russian Far East and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

APEC CCHE'17 is being held as a part of the 3rd Eastern Economic Forum (<http://forumvostok.ru/en/>). In the two years since it was first held by the initiative of the Russian Government, the EEF has become a major international communications platform orientated on priority development of the Far East of Russia and integration with the Asia-Pacific region.

FEFU is honored to serve as the venue for this annual event hosting representatives of the international business and investment community, the governments of Russia and the economies of the Asia-Pacific Region. The participants of the APEC CCHE'17 are also invited to attend Eastern Economic Forum sessions.

Given the fact that APRU has a guest status in the APEC Human Resources Development Working Group we confident that your participation as APRU members in the APEC CCHE'17 will help the association to turn into the voice research and innovation in the Asia-Pacific region and the world.

We are looking forward to see you in Vladivostok and hope that you will attend the 6th APEC Conference on Cooperation in Higher Education.

Please confirm your attendance and willingness to deliver presentation at the APEC CCHE'17 to Ms. Anastasia Sviridova, Head of APEC Study Center of Far Eastern Federal University, sviridova.ai@dvfu.ru, Phone.: +7 (924) 728-47-74.

Schedule of events and specific information on registration for the Conference and the EEF will be announced soon.

Truly yours,

Vladimir Kurilov,
Vice President for International Relations

