



The APEC Architect Monitoring Committee of the Philippines and
The APEC Architect Monitoring Committee of Chinese Taipei

regarding

Liberalization of the Practice of Architecture in Each Other's Country

This Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between

The APEC Architect Monitoring Committee of the Philippines hereinafter referred to as Philippine Monitoring Committee (PMC) and

The APEC Architect Monitoring Committee of Chinese Taipei hereinafter referred to as Chinese Taipei Monitoring Committee (CTMC)

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the PMC and CTMC to liberalize the practice of architecture in each other country;

WHEREAS, both parties, in the spirit of mutual understanding and cooperation shall ensure proper documentation and facilitate the implementation of its desired objectives;

WHEREAS, both parties are committed to adopt measures to advance liberalization of the foreign architectural practices in each country

WHEREAS, CTMC has adopted "Domain Specific Assessment" as its registration and certification requirements for APEC Architects from foreign economies;

WHEREAS, PMC has adopted "Local Collaboration" as its registration and certification requirements for APEC Architects from foreign economies;

WHEREAS, PMC and CTMC both desire to eventually forge a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) within the APEC Architect Reciprocal Recognition Framework (RRF);

WHEREAS, "Domain Specific Assessment" requires APEC Architects to understand the legal and technical issues unique to the host economy;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises and in order to effectively implement the proposed liberalization, both parties agree on the following points:

 Both parties shall develop exchange programs between their respective architects so that each group may better understand the socio-cultural, historical, legal and technical aspects in their respective economies;

2. Both parties, aiming for an MRA, shall identify a target time to sign the MRA and develop a schedule of programs, projects and activities leading to said MRA.

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