

# Regulations and Approvals Expert Working Group (RA-EWG)

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# Regulations and Approvals Expert Working Group

## Good Registration Management

## Regulatory Convergence

### Establishment of Regulations and Approvals Expert Working Groups:

- Offering recommendations to realize early submission and approval of NDA for prescription drugs in Asia
- Stable supply of quality drug at global standard

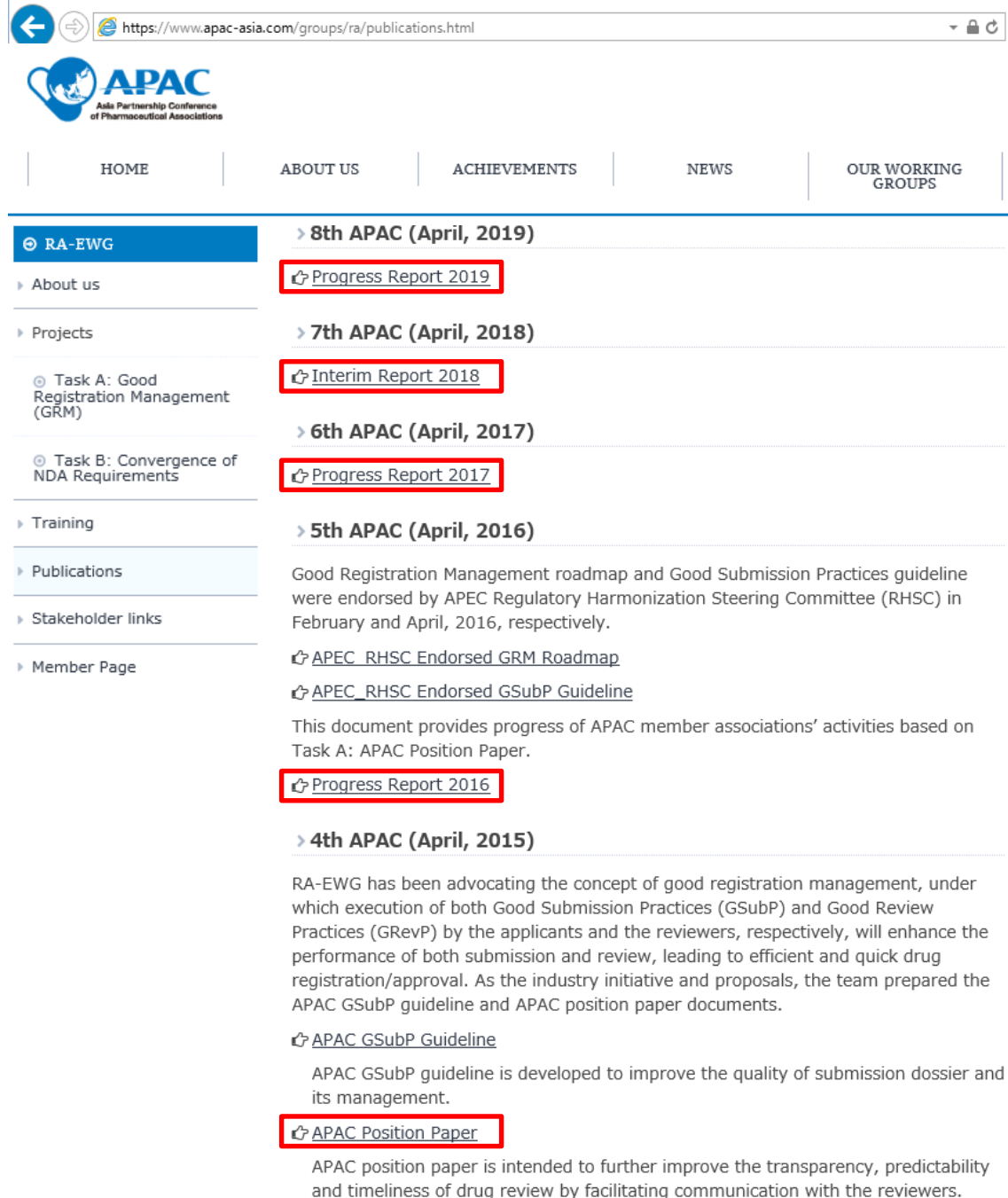
1 <sup>st</sup> APAC					2012	
2 <sup>nd</sup> APAC	<b>Concept Paper:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental framework in the activities and outlines a strategic multi-year approach</li> </ul>			Analysis Report	2013	
3 <sup>rd</sup> APAC	<b>Good Registration Practice Policy Document</b>		Fact Sheet	Analysis Report	2014	
4 <sup>th</sup> APAC	<b>Task A: APAC GRegP</b> Position Paper to GRevP      APAC GSubP Guideline		<b>Task B: Convergence of NDA Requirements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brainstorming</li> <li>• ICH implementation questionnaire in APAC</li> </ul>		Analysis Report	2015
5 <sup>th</sup> APAC	Progress Report	APEC GRM Roadmap	APEC GSubP Guideline	Analysis Report	2016	
6 <sup>th</sup> APAC	Progress Report	APEC GRM Pilot COE Workshop	Asia Regulatory Conference	Analysis Report	2017	
7 <sup>th</sup> APAC	Interim Report	APEC GRM COE Workshop	Conditional Early Approval	Analysis Report	2018	
8 <sup>th</sup> APAC	Progress Report	APEC GRM Train the Trainer	Reliance Pathway	PMRE	2019	
9 <sup>th</sup> APAC	Progress Report	<b>APEC GRM</b>	<b>Reliance Pathway</b>	PMRE	2020	
10 <sup>th</sup> APAC					2021	

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# Progress Report 2020

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Good Registration Management roadmap and Good Submission Practices guideline were endorsed by APEC Regulatory Harmonization Steering Committee (RHSC) in February and April, 2016, respectively.

[↗ APEC\\_RHSC Endorsed GRM Roadmap](#)

[↗ APEC\\_RHSC Endorsed GSubP Guideline](#)

This document provides progress of APAC member associations' activities based on Task A: APAC Position Paper.

[↗ Progress Report 2016](#)

▶ **4th APAC (April, 2015)**

RA-EWG has been advocating the concept of good registration management, under which execution of both Good Submission Practices (GSubP) and Good Review Practices (GRevP) by the applicants and the reviewers, respectively, will enhance the performance of both submission and review, leading to efficient and quick drug registration/approval. As the industry initiative and proposals, the team prepared the APAC GSubP guideline and APAC position paper documents.

[↗ APAC GSubP Guideline](#)

APAC GSubP guideline is developed to improve the quality of submission dossier and its management.

[↗ APAC Position Paper](#)

APAC position paper is intended to further improve the transparency, predictability and timeliness of drug review by facilitating communication with the reviewers.

# Progress Report 2020 (Cont'd)

APAC Position Paper, Progress Report in 2020  
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## INTRODUCTION

Asia Partnership Conference of Pharmaceutical Associations (APAC) is a platform built by 12 Asian Pharmaceutical Industry's Associations to advocate industry proposals in order to expedite the launch of innovative medicines for the peoples in Asia. Regulations and Approvals Expert Working Group (RA-EWG), formed under APAC, has been working to support promotion of regulatory convergence in Asia.

APAC Position Paper ([https://apac-asia.com/images/ra/pdf/pillar4/apac\\_position\\_paper.pdf](https://apac-asia.com/images/ra/pdf/pillar4/apac_position_paper.pdf)), which was generated by RA-EWG and endorsed at the 4<sup>th</sup> APAC convention in April 2015, provides the five high level suggestions and proposals to the regulatory authorities from the viewpoint of industry. By facilitating close communication and collaboration between industry and the regulatory authorities based on APAC Position Paper, it is expected to improve regulatory environment and facilitate the regulatory convergence and work sharing of drug review in Asia.

APAC Position Paper covers 5 topics, (1) consultation, (2) transparency, (3) tracking system, (4) collaborative training, and (5) review report in English, which are selected as important area for refining existing drug registration process throughout the APAC region.

**Topic #1: Structured framework of regulatory consultation system**

**Topic #2: Transparency to review policy, standards, draft regulations, guidelines and new initiative from regulatory authority**

**Topic #3: Review process tracking system**

**Topic #4: Collaborative training program**

**Topic #5: Generation of review report in English**

APAC member associations have picked up topics of focus in their economy for further discussion with their authority (Table, see next page). This document provides progress of APAC member associations' activities based on focused topic(s) in APAC Position Paper.

**Table Focused Topics by each association in their economy**

China	<b>RDPAC</b> R&D-based Pharmaceutical Association in China	<i>Not selected yet*</i>
Hong Kong	<b>HKAPI</b> The Hong Kong Association of the Pharmaceutical Industry	<b>#4**</b>
India	<b>OPPI</b> Organization of Pharmaceutical Producers of India	<i>Not selected yet*</i>
Indonesia	<b>IPMG</b> International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Group	<b>#4</b>
Japan	<b>JPMA</b> Japan Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association	<b>#5</b>
Korea	<b>KPBMA</b> Korea Pharmaceutical and Bio-Pharma Manufacturers Association	<i>None***</i>
Korea	<b>KRPIA</b> Korean Research-based Pharmaceutical Industry Association	<b>#1**, #2**</b>
Malaysia	<b>PhAMA</b> Pharmaceutical Association of Malaysia	<b>#3**, #4**</b>
Philippines	<b>PHAP</b> The Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Association of the Philippines	<b>#2**, #3**</b>
Singapore	<b>SAPI</b> Singapore Association of Pharmaceutical Industries	<b>#4**</b>
Taiwan	<b>IRPMA</b> International Research-Based Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association	<b>#4</b>
Thailand	<b>PReMA</b> The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers Association	<b>#2, #3, #4</b>
Vietnam	<b>EUROCHAM</b> European Chamber of Commerce in Vietnam	<i>Not selected yet*</i>

\* No progress report provided

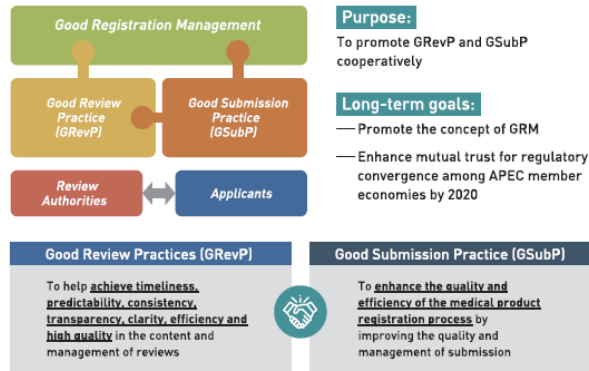
\*\* Completed topic

\*\*\* KPBMA's conclusion: No topic to be raised/tackled as an issue from the KPBMA viewpoints.

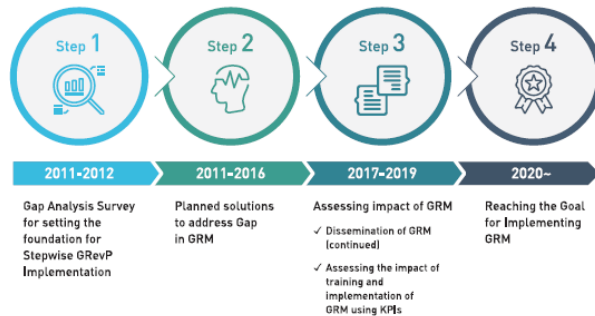


# Good Registration Management

## Goal of the GRM Roadmap



## Specific Activities and Timeframes

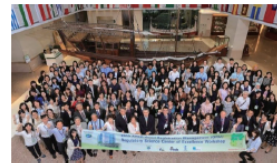


## APEC GRM CoE Training Activities

### August 2019-February 2020 APEC TRAINING

#### 2019 APEC GRM CoE Workshop in Taipei

— September 17-19, 2019  
(TFDA/RAPS Taiwan Chapter)

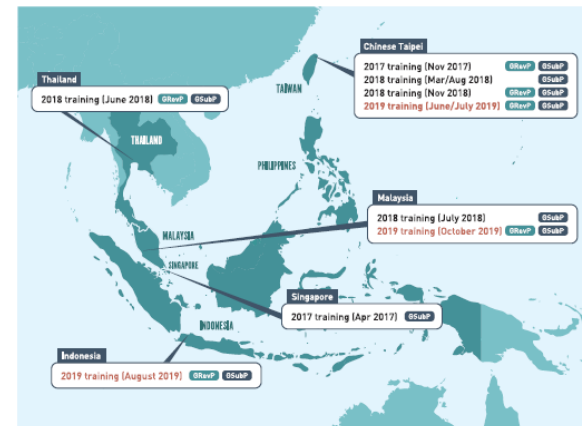


#### 2019 APEC GRM Pilot CoE Workshop in Bangkok

— October 26-28, 2019 (Thai FDA)



## GRM Local Training Activities



KPI Assessment of GRM Implementation is on-going  
The result will be shared with all in the 10th APAC

# Good Registration Management (Cont'd)



# Summary for activities for reliance pathway on 2019

2020 April 2<sup>nd</sup>

RP discussion team



# Introduction

- Reliance pathway (RP) was started to be introduced in APAC countries.
- Being widespread use of RP is key for early access of drugs for patient and efficient resource for reviewers.
- Extracting and solving issues for RP in APAC countries is important to accelerate RP.
- We conducted discussion in RA-EWG, created [questionnaires](#) and collected [challenging points](#) on 2019.

# Summary of responses

- Received countries: Korea, Taiwan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines and Japan
- Categories of RP:
  - Abbreviation/verification pathway like WHO Good review practice) : Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Taiwan (Certificate of a Pharmaceutical Product)
  - Recognition related quality pathway like Memorandum of Understanding, GMP : Korea and Taiwan
  - Work sharing for NDA reviewing : Taiwan and Japan
- Advantage for HAs, Industries
  - Early access to Patients (i.e. efficient use of available resources)

# Summary of responses (cont.)

- Challenging points
  - Information access (by all countries)
    - Non redacted/redacted assessment report in reference countries
    - Q&A documents
    - Verification if industries provide
    - Access CMC and safety review information
    - Direct communication between HAs
    - Translation in English
  - Existing differences in regulatory system and Legal obstacles (e.g. Labeling, specification etc.)
  - Need to maintain scientific capability and competence
    - For work sharing review
  - Resources,

# Current discussion and next actions

## 1. Current challenging points for RP

- Issues of information access from reference countries.
- No clear process among Health Authorities

## 2. Next actions (activates in 2020)

- Detail discussion within 2-3 countries
- Guidance for information access/clear process in APAC.
- Creation of long term plan for RP activities (e.g. for work sharing ,etc.,)

*Thank you very much!*