

Collaborative Study with Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC) on “The Asia Pacific Education Market”

Project Objectives

The study will examine developments in the education sector and the opportunities and challenges they present for regional economic integration and community building in the Asia Pacific. The study will report on trends in the various modes of supply of education services across international borders and identify impediments to efficient international cooperation in this sector.

In addition, the project will examine the trends for domestic arrangements, and demand for and supply of tertiary education around the region, and also will review work on the outlook for demand of education in various PECC member economies, including the influence of economic growth and demographic change, and its implication for international cooperation in the provision of education services.

Deliverables

A final report will be released under the auspices of APRU and PECC.

A total of 9 topic papers (draft) are expected by end-March, 2008:

- The Regional Education Market and Modes of Supply;
- Policy Reform;
- Demography and Migration;
- Business Models;
- Links to Research; and
- Country Case Studies on China, Japan and Singapore

Advisory Panel

Under discussion

Project Coordinators

PECC: Professor Christopher Findlay AO, Head, School of Economics, University of Adelaide

APRU: Professor Bill Tierney, Director of the Center for Higher Education Policy Analysis (University of Southern California)

Project Status

A workshop was convened in Sydney, Australia on December 8, 2007 for project leaders and lead authors to discuss and further define the project’s scope. Chaired by the project coordinators and attended by 12 participants, lead authors presented their background papers and sought inputs from other participants.