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# IMI Kolkata hosts 12th Conference of Asia-Pacific Economic Association



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*Former Korean PM to deliver keynote; eminent economists to deliberate on wide range of subjects*

The Twelfth Annual Conference of the Asia-Pacific Economic Association (APEA) will be hosted this year by International Management Institute (IMI) Kolkata at its campus during July 13-15, 2016. This is the first time the conference will be hosted in South Asia. APEA was established as a result of a series of conferences organised by a group of economists in the United States, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Mainland China on the Asian economies and the 1997 Asian financial crisis.

The previous APEA conferences were held at such institutions as Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo; University of Washington, Seattle; Hong Kong University of Science and Technology; Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing; Pusan National University, Korea; Nanyang Technological University, Singapore; Osaka University, Japan; Thammasat University, Thailand and National Taiwan University, Taiwan.

Dr Un-Chan Chung, former Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea will deliver the keynote address during the inaugural session. Dr Kar-yiu Wong, Professor, University of Washington, and President, APEA, and Dr Chung Mo Koo, Professor, Kangwon National University, South Korea, and Vice-President of the Association, will join the conference.

The sessions will focus on themes such as Belt and Road Initiative, Financial Crises and Risks, Economic Growth, Financial Markets, International Trade, Microeconomic Analysis, International Finance, Asian Economies, and Economic Theories and Applications.

A large number of economists and academicians from across the world are expected to participate in the conference. Commencing with an interaction during a pre-conference welcome reception, the two days of the conference will be marked by deliberations and meaningful exchanges on a wide range of topics in the field of economics.