



Regional: Asian Economic Integration: Building Knowledge for Policy Dialogue, 2018-2021 (Subproject 1)

Project Name	Asian Economic Integration: Building Knowledge for Policy Dialogue, 2018-2021 (Subproject 1)
Project Number	52206-002
Country	Regional
Project Status	Proposed
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance
Source of Funding / Amount	TA: Asian Economic Integration: Building Knowledge for Policy Dialogue, 2018 2021 (Subproject 1) Technical Assistance Special Fund US\$ 1.20 million
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration
Drivers of Change	Knowledge solutions
Sector / Subsector	Multisector - ADB's corporate management, policy and strategy development
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Some gender elements
Description	The knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) seeks to support ADB's mandate to promote regional cooperation and integration (RCI) by strengthening the quality and impact of ADB's RCI knowledge products, particularly the Asian Economic Integration Report (AEIR), and RCI-related databases
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	
Impact	Increased awareness and understanding of RCI-related issues and policy options among ADB DMCs in order to leverage RCI for inclusive and sustainable growth in Asia and the Pacific
Outcome	New RCI knowledge products and data are shared in various regional forums and referenced by policy makers, researchers, practitioners, the media, and the general public
Outputs	RCI-related reports and publications are created and disseminated Timely and up-to-date RCI indicators and databases are maintained and improved
Geographical Location	Regional

Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects

Environmental Aspects

Involuntary Resettlement

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation

During Project Design

During Project Implementation

Business Opportunities

Consulting Services	Individual consultants will be recruited as needed for the duration of the TA to provide an estimated 17 person-months of international consulting inputs and 270 person-months of national consulting inputs. The consultants will be engaged in accordance with the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and the associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions. 10. International consultants will be commissioned to prepare background research papers for selected topics in the AEIR and to draft and edit TA publications and ARIC website contents. National consultants will include senior economic analysts to lead the delivery of the TA's core outputs, including assigned chapters of the AEIR, and economic analysts and a statistician to maintain and update the ARIC website and databases and help prepare the TA project's publications and seminars. Other national consultants, including a system and database developer and a website developer, will also be engaged to manage the ARIC website and ADB's RCI databases. Typesetters, graphic designers, and proofreaders will be engaged for the publication of the AEIR and other documents. Resource persons internationally distinguished experts, which could include ADB staff will be engaged to present or facilitate discussions at seminars and other events.
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Procurement	The purchase of equipment (computer hardware and software) and statistical databases will follow the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and the Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time). Where applicable, the TA team will coordinate with ADB's Office of Information Systems and Technology and Office of Administrative Services in the purchase of the equipment. After the TA is completed, the TA team will dispose any procured equipment in compliance with the project administration instructions on administering grant-financed TA projects. Disbursements under this TA will be made in accordance with ADB's Technical Assistance Disbursement Handbook (2010, as amended from time to time).
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Timetable	
Concept Clearance	-
Fact Finding	-
MRM	-
Approval	-
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	14 Nov 2018

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