



CONFEDERATION of ASIA-PACIFIC CHAMBERS of COMMERCE and INDUSTRY

The Premier Business
Network in Asia



History, Mission and Objectives

History

The inaugural meeting of the Confederation was held in Taipei, Taiwan on May 2-6, 1966. Some 300 delegates attended the milestone gathering of Asian businessmen. It was at this Conference that the constitution of CACCI was ratified and the first set of officers elected.

Mission

To serve as a forum for promoting the vital role of the businessmen in the region, increasing regional business interaction, and enhancing regional economic growth.

Objectives

The Confederation of Asia-Pacific Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CACCI) is a regional organization composed mostly of apex chambers of commerce and industry and business associations representing the interest of business enterprises in Asia.

Established in May 1966, it aims to provide a forum for examining, crystallizing and consolidating economic thinking of Asian and Western Pacific enterprises and for promoting intra-regional trade and investments. With a current membership from 25 economies or independent economies, it cuts across national boundaries to link businessmen and promote economic growth throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

CACCI is a non-governmental organization granted consultative status under the United Nations.



Inaugural Conference in Taipei in 1966

Membership Benefits & Activities



ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

Through regular conversations with Presidents, Prime Ministers, Economic Ministers and policy makers of Asian countries and beyond, CACCI has maintained a very important access to the highest levels of policy-making authorities in Asia.

NETWORKING WITH BUSINESS LEADERS

Through our partnerships with national chambers of commerce and industry and regional and other local chambers, CACCI members are provided invaluable opportunities to meet prominent business leaders in their respective national economies.

INFORMATION SHARING

Through training programs, CACCI Profile newsletter, dozens of Product and Council's newsletters, CACCI website, and social media channels, CACCI members have access to relevant information that keeps them abreast of the latest economic, trade, industry developments and policies in the region and globally.

ALLIANCES WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Through our annual conferences held in Asian capitals across the region and our policy advocacy work, CACCI strengthens its links with our alliance partners and professional network.

DIALOGUE WITH POLICYMAKERS

Through our active participation in international forums and meetings, CACCI raises its profile at the highest level of politics and economics in the world.

ACTIVITIES

Presidential Visits
Annual Conferences
International Alliances
Product & Service Councils
Policy Advocacy

Training Programs
CACCI Summit Meetings
Information Exchange
CACCI Awards
CACCI Foundation

Message from the President

My dear friends,

As President of the Confederation of Asia Pacific Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CACCI), I welcome you to join our organization and benefit from the business opportunities and networks generated by the various activities and services offered by CACCI.



Since 1966, we have been the premier supranational platform for business networking in Asia. CACCI is an ideal forum to develop business partnerships and promote business activities.

We are made up of 50 national and local chambers of commerce and industry, and hundreds of business associations, business enterprises, and individual businessmen in Asia and the Western Pacific with the common objectives of:

- Helping organizations expand their presence in Asia Pacific and other regions
- Helping members connect with other businessmen worldwide

Our vast network of chambers of commerce and industry and related partners cuts across governments, businesses and private interests to reach thousands of enterprises, from SMEs to conglomerates in the region.

We work in conjunction with our members to promote business networking and cooperation and help disseminate relevant business information. CACCI advocates for our members' benefit, thus allowing our member chambers and their respective constituencies to connect across the Asia Pacific region and beyond.

I look forward to your participation and support in promoting business cooperation in Asia and globally.

Peter McMullin AM

International Alliances



CACCI enjoys strong ties with the World Chambers Federation (WCF), the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Eurochambres, the Federation of Gulf Council Chambers of Commerce, the Junior Chamber International (JCI), the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the World Bank, and the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC), among others.

CACCI also takes an active role in business networking and lobbying activities in other regional organizations such as APEC Business Advisory Council, ASEAN Business Advisory Council, South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC), and Conference on Non-Government Organizations in Consultative Status with the United Nations (CoNGO).



Samir Modi attends ICC WCF General Council meeting in Paris, 2022



Peter McMullin AM attends B20 Summit in Indonesia, 2022



George Abraham attends ASEAN-BAC meeting virtually, 2022



Samir Modi attends Global Diaspora Business Summit in Singapore, 2022

Presidential Visits

The CACCI President, in the company of CACCI officers and members, regularly visits Primary Members in CACCI member countries to: (a) gather first-hand information on the business situation in the host countries; (b) meet with representatives of the local business community; (c) conduct company visits; and (d) explore business opportunities.

The visits also aim to further build up CACCI's prestige and influence by making courtesy calls on heads of states, economic ministers, and other high-ranking government officials to seek support for CACCI and its projects as well as for its policy recommendations.



CACCI delegates join the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry 45th Anniversary Business Conference & Expo, and meet Philippine CCI President Alegria Limjoco, Manila, 2019



CACCI delegates call on New Zealand's Minister of Economic Development Hon. David Parker accompanied by Wellington CC officers, Wellington, 2019



CACCI delegates visit Japan CCI and are welcomed by Japan CCI Special Advisor Teruo Asada and other officers, Tokyo, 2019

Annual Conferences



Since it was organized in May 1966, CACCI has brought together businessmen and government officials into personal contacts through its annual meetings and Conferences held in major Asian cities.

The CACCI Council Meetings and Conferences have been very effective fora for exchanging information and ideas on business opportunities in the region, as well as for exploring business partnerships. The themes of these gatherings focus on current issues that have significant impact on business.



95th Council Meeting held in Melbourne, 2022



Delegates gather at the Opening Cocktail Reception of the 36th CACCI Conference in Melbourne, 2022



Delegates pose for a group photo at the Melbourne Conference, 2022



Peter McMullin AM, Samir Modi, Hon. Dan Tehan, and Chris Barnes at the Melbourne Conference, 2022

Annual Conferences



Istanbul, Turkey, 2018



Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2019

Date: **OCTOBER 30 2020**

Time:
11:30 - 13:15 hrs (Indian Standard Time)
1400 - 1545 hrs (Taipei Time)

THE VIRTUAL 34TH CACCI CONFERENCE

"Achieving Sustainable Growth in a Turbulent and Disruptive Global Market"

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Dr. Ravji Kumar
Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog,
Government of India

SPEAKERS

92nd CACCI Council Meeting November 20, 2020

Sustainable and Resilient Growth Through a Robust World Trade

39th CACCI Conference
2 November 2021, 14.00 - 16.30 Taipei Time

Opening Remarks
Mr. Saeed Ghazi CACCI President and Executive Director of R. F. Fitch Group

"Making the WTO More Adaptable to the Economic and Trade Realities of Today"
Mr. Angela Pardo (EBC) WTO Deputy Director-General

CACCI Study on "Achieving a Successful World Trading System"
Dr. Ananta Bhattarai, Lecturer Professor, Center for Applied Management, Kathmandu University (Nepal)

"Lessons Learned from the Covid-19 Pandemic"
Dr. Chao Changyuan, Former Vice President of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Department of Economic Affairs (Taiwan) and CEO of the Department of Economic Affairs (Taiwan)

"Achieving Growth Resilient Developments in a Changing Global Environment"
Mr. Raymond Kwan, Head Bank and Wealth Care Asia Pacific Services, Citibank Economics

"Digital Commerce: Revolutionizing Business and the Global Trading System"
Dr. Chai Constantine, Senior Advisor and Management and Strategy Consultant

Moderator
Mr. Peter Mihalakis, CACCI Vice President and Chairman and Director of MCFIIS Group

Rebuilding the World Trading System

Presentation to Virtual CACCI 39th Conference November 2021
www.cacci.biz

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Product and Service Councils



CACCI has encouraged the formation of Product and Service Councils in various industry sectors to provide members with regular fora for identifying, discussing and resolving sectoral problems, and for exploring business opportunities and joint ventures.

Members use their specific councils to maintain communication and expand business contact while holding break-out sessions once a year during the annual conference.



Young Entrepreneurs Group Asia Pacific (YEGAP), Melbourne 2022



CACCI Women Entrepreneurs Council, Dhaka 2019

Product and Service Councils:

- Asian Council on Food & Agriculture
- Asian Council on Health & Education
- Asian ICT Council
- SME Development Council
- Asian Council on Tourism
- Asian Council on Trade Facilitation
- Asian Council on Water, Energy & Environment
- CACCI Women Entrepreneurs Council
- Young Entrepreneurs Group Asia Pacific (YEGAP)
- Asian Chemical Industry Council
- Asian Council on Contracting and Construction
- Asian Textiles & Garments Council

Policy Advocacy

CACCI's policy advocacy is an important area for regional cooperation among chambers. CACCI takes a concerted effort at policy advocacy so that its views on important issues can be communicated to the appropriate regional or international bodies.

CACCI prepares position papers on current policy issues and submits them to regional and international bodies such as the World Trade Organization, Asia Pacific Economic Council, Asian Development Bank, World Bank, and the International Trade Centre, among others.



Webinar on ESG Policy Considerations for South-East Asia, 2022

Training Programs



CACCI recognizes the need to broaden the knowledge and technical skills of businessmen in the region with regard to the sound practices of doing business, trade, and investments, as well as on the efficient methods of production and chamber management.

Towards this end, CACCI conducts or sponsors workshops, seminars, conferences, and other training programs, some of them in conjunction with regional partners, that address specific issues and needs of participants and provide them with enhanced knowledge and competence, particularly on the latest business practices and applications in the region, that can be applied to their respective businesses.



Publications

CACCI disseminates information on its activities, policy advocacy positions and regional business developments through its website (www.cacci.biz) and social media channels such as LinkedIn and Facebook.

It also publishes its monthly newsletter CACCI Profile, as well as issues 12 different Product & Service Council newsletters and the bi-annual CACCI Journal of Commerce & Industry throughout the year.

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Message from the Chairman

The Young Entrepreneurs Group of Asia-Pacific (YEGAP) has come a long way since its inception in May 2004. Under the leadership of Asian Business Partners, YEGAP has drawn the curtain of promoting and assisting pre-emptive spirit among young entrepreneurs in CACCI member countries. It would like to thank Asia for her dedication, passion, support, and leadership in making this journey so extraordinary one.

We have been working tirelessly to deliver the best beginning to YEGAP and I take care as Chairman of YEGAP, I would like to encourage us all to work collectively towards generating new, innovative, and ideas in helping a better tomorrow especially during these tumultuous times towards spending a new entrepreneurial spirit that reflects and investment in our emerging cities.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the 32 executive team members from 14 Countries in 7 regions for accepting the invitation to work towards developing the entrepreneurial spirit in Asia. The Executive Committee for the past eight months has been working hard to define the vision, mission, core values, and to be done for 2021-2023. I applied the visionary theme and this position is given back through YEGAP (over the COVID-19 pandemic situation, it was not easy to know the team. I must thank the CACCI Secretariat enough for their unconditional support and their determination during this time.

I have always believed that entrepreneurs drive the world forward and results being long and well and free, success on the base and the highest class that give the idea, and I believe that we know ourselves to be the entrepreneur with such adapting innovative ways to solve problems posed by the pandemic, driving forward the entrepreneurial spirit. Thus, with this, we would like to launch the theme of YEGAP for 2021 - 2023 as "Towards an Entrepreneurship-driven Recovery".

With this new beginning, systems and I am excited to who forward our grand mission to connect YEGAP to the world and work towards developing network of over 50,000 young entrepreneurs. We have identified a committee led by leaders from the Executive Committee and successful activities across these countries. We are committed to drive the entrepreneurial spirit in Asia and we welcome you to join the mission.

Finally, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to CACCI and President Ho. Senior Hoell and the CACCI Council for their support and guidance and thank you all a thousand, happy and prosperous New Year 2022!

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MANGECH LAL SURESTHA
 Chairman, YEGAP

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Post-Pandemic Issues for Business

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Tourism Newsletter

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Message from the Chairman

Tourism was one of the fastest growing industries in the world that had a growth rate that supported the growth rate of GDP in various countries. Unfortunately, the outbreak of the pandemic and associated restrictions severely affected all the economies that were dependent on tourism which led deep contraction in their gross domestic product. The importance of this industry to a country's economy was highlighted with the outbreak of the pandemic to a greater extent than before.

The past two years made the travellers comprehend the importance and the contribution of their travel decisions to a local economy. The pandemic also brought to the importance of engaging in positive practices, including wellness activities, going back to communities and protecting the environment.

With the long lockdowns and restrictions that disrupted the normalcy of life, the pandemic gave a break to everyone from their busy lives to take a moment to appreciate their values. It urges people started to reconnect and reengage with what they value the most. Therefore, the post-pandemic tourism will demand for experiences that are educational and entertaining for all ages, thereby making families could make more memories together.

Having been grounded and confined for more than two years, travellers are also eager to experience destinations that are safe and tranquil - places which were overlooked previously - as the pandemic has changed the moods and preferences of the travellers.

Even though the pandemic was financially devastating for many, it has also allowed professionals to survive by working from home. According to a report issued by the World Travel & Tourism Council on trends in travel post-pandemic, has stated that 70% of those travellers from countries such as the U.S., the U.K., Canada, Japan and Spain are expected to increase their travel spending in 2022 from corresponding amounts in the past five years.

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CACCI Awards & CACCI Foundation

CACCI Awards recognizes the outstanding achievements of its members through its bi-annual Awards Programs in four categories:

- (1) Hydropower & Clean Energy Excellence Award;
- (2) Asia Pacific Young Entrepreneur Award;
- (3) Asia Pacific Woman Entrepreneur Award;
- and (4) Local Chamber Awards.

The CACCI Foundation was established in 2006 during the CACCI 40th Anniversary celebration to help chambers in developing countries to become self sustained. To date, the Foundation has funded 6 projects: (a) The Youth Business Sri Lanka (YBSL) Program; (b) the “Life Forever Beautiful Organic Mongolia” Project; c) the Barisal Women CCI’s Project on Promoting Women Entrepreneurship Through Development of SMEs; (d) Empowering Women Entrepreneurs in Cosmetic Industry, Mongolia; (e) Training Workshops for SMEs/Start-ups on Digital Marketing, India and (f) Business Continuity Support for COVID-19 Affected SMEs, Sri Lanka.

CACCI Awards



CACCI Foundation Grantees





Current Leaders

President



Peter McMullin AM
(Australia)

Vice Presidents



Sheikh Fazle Fahim
(Bangladesh)



Ernest Yuen
(Hong Kong)



Alireza Yavari
(Iran)



Hiroshi Oshima
(Japan)



Pradeep Shrestha
(Nepal)



Khurram Sayeed
(Pakistan)



Henry Kao
(Taiwan)



Rifat Hisarciklioglu
(Turkey)

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(Taiwan)



Sheikh Sultan Rehman
(Pakistan)



Peter McMullin AM
(Australia)



Dr. Leslie Wong
(Hong Kong)

Hon. Treasurer

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Commerce and Industry



The Japan Chamber of
Commerce and Industry



Azerbaijan Republic
Chamber of Commerce and
Industry



The Korea Chamber of
Commerce and Industry



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Chamber of Commerce
and Industry



Cambodia Chamber
of Commerce



Federation of Nepalese
Chambers of Commerce
and Industry



Georgian Chamber of
Commerce and Industry



Wellington Chamber of
Commerce



Kowloon Chamber of
Commerce



The Federation of Pakistan
Chambers of Commerce
and Industry



Federation of Indian
Chambers of Commerce
and Industry



Papua New Guinea
Chamber of Commerce
and Industry



Indonesian Chamber of
Commerce and Industry



Philippine Chamber of
Commerce and Industry



Iran Chamber of Commerce,
Industries, Mines and
Agriculture



The Chamber of Commerce
and Industry of the Russian
Federation



Federation of Chambers of
Commerce and Industry
of Sri Lanka



The Ceylon Chamber of
Commerce



Chamber of Commerce and
Industry of the Republic of
Tajikistan



The Chinese National
Association of Industry
and Commerce, Taiwan



Chamber of Commerce and
Industry of Timor Leste



Chinese International
Economic Cooperation
Association, Taiwan



The Union of Chambers and
Commodity Exchanges of
Turkey



Vietnam Chamber of
Commerce and Industry



Chamber of Commerce and
Industry of the Republic of
Uzbekistan



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CCPIT Commercial Sub-Council

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Ajara Chamber of Commerce

Hong Kong

Hong Kong Children, Babies, Maternity
Industries Association Ltd.

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Yokohama CCI

Korea

Daegu CCI

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Seoul CCI

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