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Mister Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, the United States believes that much progress can be made through partnerships. The US is proud to be a part of the **Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate** an innovative new effort to accelerate the development and deployment of clean energy technologies. APP partners Australia, Canada, China, India, Japan, Republic of Korea, and the United States have agreed to work together and with private sector partners to meet goals for energy security, national air pollution reduction, and climate change in ways that promote sustainable economic growth and poverty reduction. The seven partner countries represent about half of the world's economy, population and energy use, and they produce about 65 percent of the world's coal, 48 percent of the world's steel, 37 percent of world's aluminum, and 61 percent of the world's cement.

The Partnership focuses on expanding investment and trade in cleaner energy technologies, goods and services in key market sectors. There are a number of U.S. projects to develop and deploy cleaner and more efficient technologies to meet national pollution reduction, energy security, and climate change challenges.



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