

ADB/ADBI's Flagship Study
Infrastructure and Regional Cooperation

4th Workshop on Book Finalization

Workshop Objectives

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Objectives

- Examine key issues and challenges facing cross-border infrastructure in Asia in the region's ongoing efforts to support regional cooperation
- Focus on broad and cross-cutting issues through both empirical and case studies
- To provide policymakers, concerned officials from private & public sectors, and other experts involved in Asian infrastructure with information/guidance on key issues concerning developing regional infrastructure projects through regional cooperation
- To outline policies & identify the best practices that the Region needs to adopt to meet challenges and address issues that so essential for sustainable growth

Scope

- To examine both software and hardware issues affecting infrastructure & regional cooperation
- Examples of best practices mainly from key sectors such as transport (roads, railways, airways and ports) and energy (electricity, oil and gas)
- The horizon of the Study by 2020 (same as ADB's new LTSF)
- Asia include all 45 ADB's developing member countries

Concept Paper

Discussion Papers (DPs)

- Outline
- 1st draft
- 2nd draft
- Final draft

Study Structure

The Book

Vol.1 based on DPs

- Ch.1: The Need for Infrastructure
- Ch.2: The Benefits of Infrastructure Network
- Ch.3: Towards Smoother and Larger Trade
- Ch.4: Policies and Institutions for Effective Infrastructure
- Ch.5: Financing Infrastructure
- Ch.6: Towards a Seamless and Integrated Asia

Dissemination Seminars

Vol.2 (Book) based on selected DPs

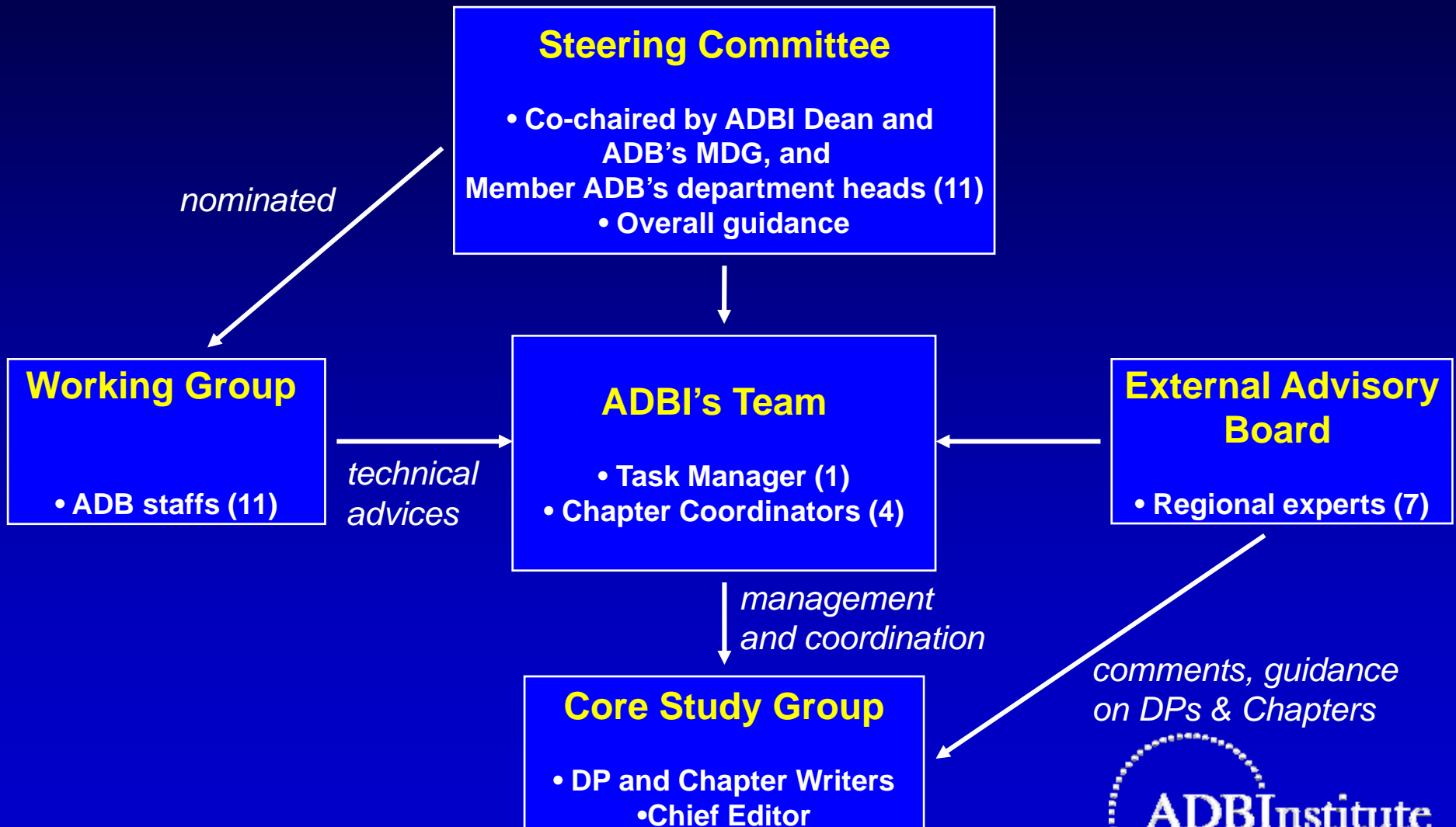
Output of the Study

- First segment: engaging experts to prepare 25 DPs on relevant topics falling under 4 broad research themes:
 - I. Introduction-Benefits of Infrastructure(1)
 - II. Regional infrastructure network (6 DPs);
 - III. Trade and Logistics (5 DPs);
 - IV. Financing infrastructure (7 DPs); and
 - V. Policies and Institutions (6 DPs)

Output of the Study (cont.)

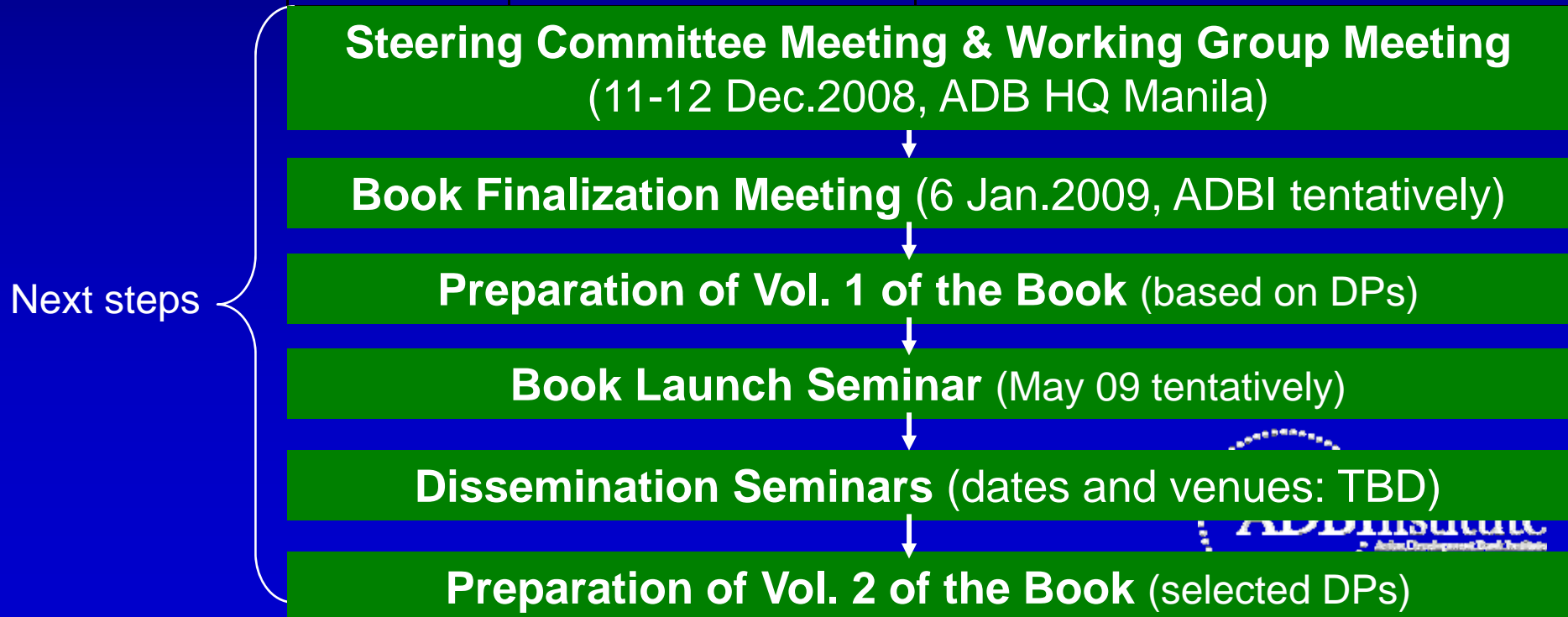
- **Vol. 1 of the Book** (based on the above DPs) tentatively structured:
 - I. The Need for Infrastructure (Chapter 1)
 - II. The Benefits of Infrastructure Network (Chapter 2)
 - III. Towards Smoother and Larger Trade (Chapter 3)
 - IV. Policies and Institutions for Effective Infrastructure (Chapter 4)
 - V. Financing Infrastructure (Chapter 5)
 - VI. Towards a Seamless and Integrated Asia (Chapter 6)
- **Second segment**: Vol. 2 of the book containing selected discussion papers, underpinning the rigorous scientific analytics of the policy agenda

Organization



Workshops/Meetings Schedule

Implemented	2007	ADB HQ, Manila	Steering Committee (1) and Working Group (2) Meetings
	Feb 08	18-20 (Tokyo)	Inception Workshop (DPs)
	Jun 08	12-13 (New Delhi)	2 nd Workshop (DPs) – Part A
	Jul 08	03-04 (Bangkok)	2 nd Workshop (DPs) – Part B
	Oct 08	21-22 (Beijing)	Book Preparation Workshop
Implementing	Dec 08	3-4 (Tokyo)	Book Finalization Workshop



Today Workshop's Objectives

- To finalize Vol.1 of the Book which consists of 5 chapters (introduction & 4 chapters); The concluding chapter will be prepared later based on these 5 chapters
- These 5 draft chapters will be presented to seek comments from selected policymakers and experts from academic community, think-tanks, the private sector and ADB/ADBI staff
- Major comments will be summarized at the end of this workshop so that the authors will revise chapters (incorporating the comments) and submit the final ones by **20 Dec**.
- The authors will coordinate among themselves to produce coherent and consistent output since there are many common issues across chapters

Expectation from Participants

- Please comment from the perspective of a policy maker (or policy perspective) so that the Book will be oriented to policy makers and provide them with a good set of policy recommendations on how to develop infrastructure, both domestically and regionally in Asia;
- Please suggest which important messages need to be highlighted and how to improve the structure of the chapters in order to have the proper impact on policy makers
- At this stage, new issues should only be raised if there are glaring holes;
- Please suggest any important relevant study or good but missing example of cross-border projects (e. g. Lessons learned or best practices) for quality improvement;
- It will not be useful to suggest any new area or topic for study at this stage as the authors will not have enough time and effort to accommodate due to the tight schedule.

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