

## Workforce strategies in the Asia Pacific: More automated and connected

### Digital transformations underway



**58%**

Automating certain functions



**41%**

Identifying workers who are skilled  
at using new automation tools



**40%**

Investing in machine learning and  
emerging technologies

## APEC CEOs relying on partners to expand international trade, adapting by doing more at home

### Top priorities to secure growth



Rely more on business  
partnerships/joint venture



Conduct more value-added  
activities domestically



Do business in economies  
with bilateral ties



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Dynamism,  
Fostering a  
Shared Future**



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*"In the era of technological advances, production, trade and services are not limited to the supply of goods and services in a traditional way, but rather to the application of digital technology. In this process, many jobs will gradually be replaced by the advent of new industries, and this is placing the Asia-Pacific region with new challenges and demand for creativity and strong collaboration among all of us."*

Nguyen Xuan Phuc  
Prime Minister of Viet Nam

## ***Business leaders direct more future investments to APEC***

Where will the increased investments go?



**71%** going to APEC 21 economies



**29%** going to rest of the world

APEC economies where foreign CEOs are more likely to raise investment levels



**Viet Nam**

**China**

**Indonesia**

**US**

**Thailand**

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