
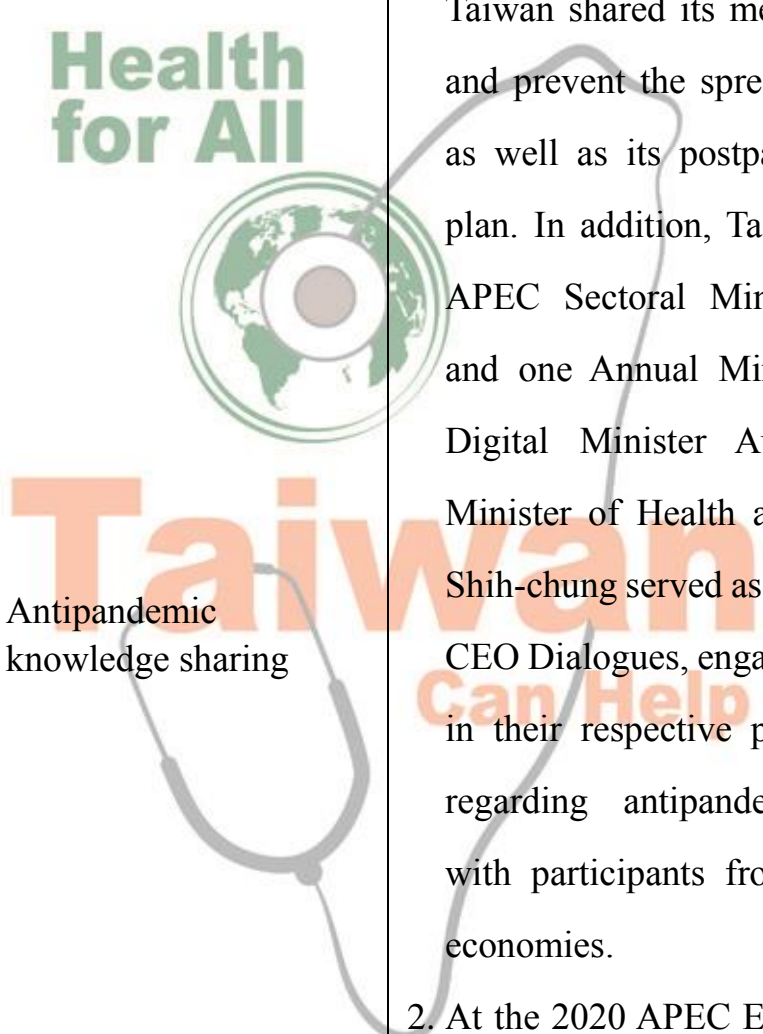



Taiwan and international organizations


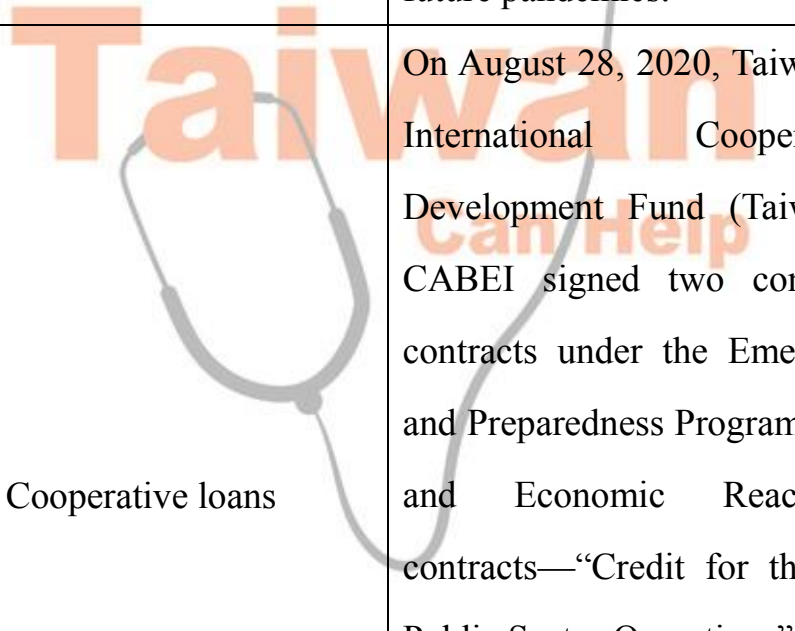
Cooperation and assistance to combat COVID-19

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Organization	Cooperation/assistance	Details
World Health Organization (WHO)	 <p>Antipandemic knowledge sharing</p>	<p>Since 2009, Taiwan has maintained a focal point with WHO under the International Health Regulations (IHR) framework. However, WHO has never published Taiwan's IHR focal point contact information on the WHO Event Information Site (EIS), making it difficult for the IHR focal points of other nations to contact Taiwan. From the onset of the COVID-19 outbreak, Taiwan's IHR focal point has notified WHO of new confirmed cases, as well as antipandemic efforts, including border control and quarantine measures, in a timely manner. Nevertheless, the WHO Secretariat has not only failed to post any of the information provided by Taiwan on the EIS, it has also failed to accurately publish Taiwan's COVID-19 data in the WHO daily Situation Report. Thus, based on</p>

		<p>information provided by WHO, it is impossible for other nations to understand the current situation in Taiwan or the antipandemic measures Taiwan has taken.</p>
<p>Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)</p>	 <p>Health for All</p> <p>Antipandemic knowledge sharing</p> <p>Taiwan Can Help</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. During many APEC meetings in 2020, Taiwan shared its measures to contain and prevent the spread of COVID-19, as well as its postpandemic recovery plan. In addition, Taiwan attended six APEC Sectoral Ministerial Meetings and one Annual Ministerial Meeting. Digital Minister Audrey Tang and Minister of Health and Welfare Chen Shih-chung served as speakers at APEC CEO Dialogues, engaging in exchanges in their respective professional fields regarding antipandemic cooperation with participants from other member economies. 2. At the 2020 APEC Economic Leader’s Meeting, Leader’s Representative Morris Chang stated that Taiwan looks forward to cooperating with other APEC member economies to bring forth a healthy and safe digital future

		<p>through digital applications.</p>
	<p>Health for All</p>  <p>Taiwan Can Help</p> <p>Proposed cooperation mechanisms</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As part of its involvement in the APEC Health Working Group, Taiwan promoted the establishment of the Digital Health Sub-Working Group in 2020. Taiwan also hosted the APEC Policy Dialogue: Application of Digital Health Technology in the Era of Post COVID-19 to explore ways to use digital technology to strengthen antipandemic work and raise medical care quality. 2. Five of Taiwan's 2020 pandemic prevention and postpandemic recovery plans obtained APEC funding and won joint written support from many member economies. 3. In 2020, Taiwan actively sought to have its concepts of governance incorporated into 16 APEC antipandemic statements and reports. For instance, the Joint Ministerial Statement and the Kuala Lumpur Declaration included Taiwan's promotion of such concepts as the use

		<p>of digital technology to enhance medical care services and bolster the resilience of public health systems.</p>
	<p>Health for All Donation to the APEC Support Fund Sub-Fund on Human Security</p> 	<p>In 2020, Taiwan donated US\$1 million to the APEC Support Fund Sub-Fund on Human Security and US\$250,000 to the APEC Sub-Fund for Digital Innovation, highlighting the importance of health and security to the region’s economic development and urging all APEC members to take joint precautions against future pandemics.</p>
<p>Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)</p>	<p>Cooperative loans</p> 	<p>On August 28, 2020, Taiwan, through the International Cooperation and Development Fund (TaiwanICDF), and CABEI signed two concessional loan contracts under the Emergency Support and Preparedness Program for COVID-19 and Economic Reactivation. The contracts—“Credit for the Financing of Public Sector Operations” and “Facility to Support the Financial Sector for the Financing of Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) Affected by the COVID-19 Crisis”—will provide a</p>

		<p>total of US\$50 million and US\$80 million, respectively, so as to help public institutions and MSMEs in the region recover from the pandemic as soon as possible.</p>
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