

ALAC / APRALO CROP Report: APRICOT 2018, Kathmandu, NEPAL

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KEY OBJECTIVE:

To enhance the presence of APRALO and ALAC at one of the largest regional gatherings in the Asia Pacific region, to network personally with regional organisations; to establish direct contact with local ALS members and to introduce ourselves to potential APRALO members, to encourage engagement.

ALIGNMENT WITH ICANN'S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE and STRATEGIC OUTCOME

- * Promote ICANN's role and multistakeholder approach, specifically 4.1 Encourage engagement with the existing internet governance ecosystem at national, regional and international levels.
- * Strengthen partnership and engagement with Internet organizations and community stakeholders to support inclusive, collaborative participation in ICANN



APRALO GOALS and OBJECTIVES

- * Exploring the opportunity for regional cooperation and collaboration with regional organizations including APNIC, APTLD, ISOC and APSIG
- * Providing outreach services for increasing awareness on APRALO/ICANN, leading to the formation of ALSes and more individual members from underserved regions
- * Interacting with other regional and sub-regional organizations and technical community representatives to consider joint programmes in domains such as technical outreach and capacity building, and collaborative engagement in regional events such as the APriGF
- * Participate in discussions on the state of the Internet in the APAC Region, and address the challenges and opportunities in bringing in the next Billion from the region

PROPOSED OUTCOMES AND ACTUAL DELIVERABLES

OUTCOMES	DELIVERABLES
<p>1. Enhanced presence of the APRALO Leadership team to raise awareness of APRALO and its activities within the region among other I* organisations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Participation in the AP* Retreat, providing updates on APRALO and ALAC activities, including current policy hot topics by Maureen and Lianna ● Lianna and Amrita also attended the APNIC Cooperation SIG session in which the GAC participated. ● APRICOT 2019 will be held in Daejeon, South Korea.
	
<p>2. Increased networking and learning more about the work and activities of APNIC as well as other members of the regional technical community</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Participation in the APTLD meeting by Lianna (with sponsored accommodation for the APTLD and AP* meeting by Dot Asia) ● The ALT members took advantage of breaks and mealtimes to network with members of the regional technical community to share and update on common activities and involvements eg APNIC46 in Noumea, APriGF in Vanuatu ● An interesting topic at the APNIC meeting was the community reaction to their ITEMS review. The consensus was to give consideration to ITEMS recommendation of two Houses (one dealing with Policy involving 10 elected members; the other for the Heads of Registries plus an appointed member from each RIR).
	
<p>3. Opportunity to meet with other APRICOT women</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Participation in the Tech Girls event by Maureen, Lianna and Amrita ● A brief intervention by Maureen aimed to encourage participation of more women in At-Large as members and contributors to the At-

(at the Tech Girls Social) to introduce APRALO and to promote our work in the region (Maureen, Lianna)

Large policy development process.

- During the conference, although there were several male participants who approached us who were already involved in a local ALS, there were also several women who asked about getting involved in APRALO - they had heard of us mainly through word of mouth and approached us personally.



4. Opportunity to meet with local ALSes from Nepal as well as other ALSes or potential individual members who are present at the APRICOT Event

- Support provided by the local ALS (ISOC Nepal - local organisers of the APRICOT event) to organise meeting venues to enable APRALO (Satis, Lianna, Maureen, Kaili) to meet with ALS members and potential members (11 members from 8 ALSes)
- Each ALT member gave a brief presentation about: engagement & policy development; participation and constraints; participation in regional activities; a specific policy issue (CCT-RT) and the APRALO history project
- One new member from Malaysia was encouraged by her employer to make contact with APRALO to learn more about what we did
- One new member from Samoa, made an online registration to connect to the Pacific ALS (PICISOC) and become a member of APRALO
- Several young people approached Maureen during mealtimes to ask about Fellowships and joining up as individual members - they were given my card to make contact. One did so the next day (from Taiwan)



5. Encouragement for APRALO members to participate in the next regional event - the APriGF - to be held in Vanuatu in August 2018

8 ALS and new members attended an informal meeting of the APriGF to discuss preparations for the event. There were three main outcomes:

1. The acceptance date for workshop applications has been delayed to allow for more participation from potential AP members following this gathering
2. Preparation of a webinar 101 for how to appropriately propose a workshop considering the APriGF themes, formats and constraints of space at the venue
3. An APRALO workshop will be submitted by the ALT



6. Preparation of an APRALO workshop to be proposed for the APriGF to promote ICANN as well as engagement and participation in At-Large

- The ALT will work together on how we will present the workshop to be informative, inclusive and interactive. A focus will be on how At-Large can participate in a public comment related to a policy being developed by an SO.
- ALT members will no doubt be invited to participate as panelists on several non-APRALO workshops
- A request has been made for a meeting of the DNS women at the APriGF



<p>7. Report to the CROP Committee and to APRALO on the outcomes of the APRICOT event</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A brief report will be prepared for the APRALO newsletter ● This report is being prepared for the CROP committee
<p>8. Additional notes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ali AlMeshal and Satish Babu were originally part of this application but withdrew to use their CROP slot to attend other regional events ● Satish self-funded his attendance (airfare and fees) but was sponsored accommodation by Dot Asia ● Satish is a new member of the Dot Asia Board but was unable to attend the AGM because his planned arrival was after the meeting ● Kaili Kan was sponsored by ISC. ● There were initial issues related to travel for Maureen first of all, and then the non-payment of the conference fees by ICANN for Maureen and Lianna which created some issues of entry into some activities. But thanks to on-the-spot support from the local APAC team and some quick work by Joseph, all was resolved.
<p>Some of the organisations and people with whom we interacted during the APRICOT week</p>	<p>APRALO - Satish Babu (ISOC Trivandrum), Lianna Galstyan (ISOC Armenia), Kaili Kan (ISC), Maureen Hilyard (CIIAG)</p> <p>ALS members - (RayzNews) Shreedeeep Rayamahji; (ISOC Nepal) Bikram Strestha, Babu Ram Aryal, Santosh Sigdel, Ramesh Kumar Pudasaini, Ram Krishna Punuar, Suraj Adhikari, Krishna Pokharel. Roshan Pokharel ; (ISOC Malaysia) Athira Rosli (new registration); (PICISOC) Edna Temese(Samoa, new registration), John Jack (Vanuatu); (ISOC Delhi) Dr Govind; (CCAOI) Amrita Choudhury</p> <p>Other interested participants met during the week: Shaila Sharmin (shaila.sharmin@link3.net Bangladesh) Subhashini.kadurugasyaya@airtel.com, India Ying-Chu Chen (jungheng@gmail.com Taiwan)</p> <p>PLUS</p> <p>ICANN Board, JPNIC - Akinori Maemura ICANN NomCom, ASO - Brajesh Jain Dot Asia CEO - Edmon Chung (Dot Asia sponsored a conference dinner) Dot Asia Board members - Dr Tham Lui Wok, Lim Choon Sai, Atsushi Endo, Alireza Saleh, Yong Wan Ju (new), Satish Babu (new)</p> <p>APTLD - Leonid Todorov APNIC - Paul Wilson APNIC Foundation: Sylvia Cadena, Duncan MacIntosh APAC Hub - Jia Rong, Joyce Chen Internet Society - Rajnesh Singh, Naveed Haq</p>