

APIGA 2024



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About the Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy (APIGA)

The Asia Pacific Internet Governance Academy (APIGA) is a capacity-development program focused on Internet governance targeted at youths from the Asia Pacific (APAC) region. APIGA is co-hosted by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) and the Korea Internet & Security Agency (KISA). It is organized in collaboration with regional organizations including the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC), DotAsia Organisation, the Internet Society (ISOC), Asia Pacific Top Level Domain (APTLD) etc.

Aims

APIGA aims to develop youth leaders' understanding of the Internet and its ecosystem. It also aims to equip participants with the knowledge and skills to participate in Internet policy making through developing a strong foundation in the following:

- The concept of Internet governance, and the multistakeholder model of policymaking;
- Current global Internet governance issues, and applying these issues at the local and regional levels;
- The confidence to speak up in regional and international fora.

Learning is through immersive, hands-on sessions with dedicated mentoring by regional industry experts. Participants will also build a strong network with peers, APIGA alumni, leading APAC Internet organizations, and key APAC community leaders.

Expected Outcomes

Through the program, participants will build confidence in and appreciation for multistakeholder processes with a strong foundation in Internet governance fundamentals. They will also receive guided pathways to continue participating in the Internet governance space including at ICANN, APNIC, ISOC, the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), and various other Internet governance fora.

Past data shows that 1 in 4 APIGA alumni continue to participate in Internet governance fora locally, regionally, and globally.

About the 2024 Program

Important Information & Key Dates

APIGA 2024 is scheduled for 5 days from **8–12 July 2024 (Monday-Friday)** at **Grand Josun, Busan, South Korea**. Individuals interested in Internet governance issues are welcome to apply. Flight and accommodation costs will be covered for selected participants.

Health & Safety

ICANN and KISA continue to closely monitor relevant national and international public health guidance regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. All participants and staff will be required to follow the COVID-19 health and safety rules mandated for the event.

Read the ICANN announcement on APIGA 2024 [here](#).

For general enquiries about APIGA, please write to apachub@icann.org.

How to Apply for APIGA 2024

Applications will open **from Monday, 26 February 2024 00:00 till Sunday, 24 March 2024 23:59 in Korean Standard Time (UTC+9)**.

Application Criteria

- From the Asia Pacific (APAC) region
- Aged 18 to 35 (both ages inclusive)
- Able to use English – both spoken and written
- No prior Internet governance experience required
- Able to participate:
 - In-person in South Korea for 8-12 July 2024; and
 - Prerequisite preparation phase in May-June 2024. This includes designated online sessions as well as self-study online modules.

Submit an Application

By applying for APIGA 2024, applicants acknowledge that:

- They have read and understood all details in the "Important Information & Key Dates" section above.
- For international travellers, to ensure they meet South Korea's requirements to enter the country (e.g. visa, including [COVID-19 vaccination and test](#) requirements). They also understand that such requirements can be subject to change.

The application system is provided courtesy of APNIC. Kindly note when applying:

- Applicants **MUST** register an account in APNIC's application system to access the APIGA application, submit, and check application status.
- If you have registered an account before or previously applied for any fellowship using the same system (e.g. for APPrGF etc.), there is no need to register again. Please use your existing login details.

To submit an application, please click [here](#).

For any technical questions/issues using the system, please use this [webform](#) for help.

*Successful applicants will be notified by email in **April 2024**.*

About the Hosts



Korea Internet & Security Agency, KISA

KISA is a government agency dedicated to promoting Internet and information security and contributing to Korea's Global Competitiveness.

KISA has set 'Internet Promotion' for the future and 'Information Security' for our safety as its primary tasks, and is focusing on enhancing the information security capacity of Korea's ICT industry while expanding global cooperative partnerships based on the K-ICT Security development Strategy, in order that these twin pillars may serve as the core competencies of the future Korea in equal and harmonious measure.

KISA, founded in 2009 through a merger of three separate organizations, is dedicated to developing Korea's Internet industry and information security capabilities. As an Internet and security promotion agency armed with global competitiveness, KISA will maintain its commitment to creating a safe and happy Internet world.



Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, ICANN

ICANN's mission is to help ensure a stable, secure and unified global Internet. To reach another person on the Internet, you have to type an address into your computer – a name or a number. That address has to be unique so computers know where to find each other. ICANN helps coordinate and support these unique identifiers across the world.

ICANN was formed in 1998 as a not-for-profit public-benefit corporation and a community with participants from all over the world. ICANN and its community help keep the Internet secure, stable and interoperable. It also promotes competition and develops policy for the top-level of the Internet's naming system and facilitates the use of other unique Internet identifiers.

ICANN doesn't control content on the Internet. It cannot stop spam and it doesn't deal with access to the Internet. But through its coordination role of the Internet's naming system, it does have an important impact on the expansion and evolution of the Internet.
