

APRICOT Update

APstar Retreat

28th February 2021

APNOG Update

- APNOG Ltd:
 - Is the holding company for APRICOT
 - Set up as a “company limited by guarantee”, as a non-profit, completing move to charitable status in the near future
 - APRICOT Board transitioned to form the Board for APNOG

- APIA
 - Transitioned to be the service entity operating APRICOT on behalf of APNOG Ltd

APNOG Ltd Board of Directors

- Philip Smith, Chair
 - Also serving as Company Secretary and Public Officer
- Yoshinobu Matsuzaki, Vice Chair
- Ole Jacobsen, Secretary
- Raphael Ho, Treasurer
- Aftab Siddiqui
- Gavin Tweedie
- Jian Zhang

APNOG

- What we do @APNOG:
 - The legal entity supporting and producing the annual APRICOT Summit
 - In partnership with APNIC
 - Assist and support NOGs across the Asia Pacific region by:
 - Holding their operational funds
 - Receiving sponsorship donations
 - General assistance to NOG operations if any required
 - Operate the apops@apops.net mailing list for the network operations community in the Asia Pacific region
 - Service agreement with APIA to for day-to-day operations

APRICOT 2021

- Physical event not possible due to COVID-19 Pandemic
- After discussion with PhNOG (our host) and our co-organiser APNIC
 - Agreement to transfer the entire event online
 - PhNOG remains the host and fully involved in the production of APRICOT 2021!
 - APRICOT 2021 remains Philippine themed
 - Conference times adjusted to try and accommodate
 - Entire Asia Pacific
 - US West Coast (evening) – APRICOT 2021 morning sessions
 - Europe, Middle East, Africa (morning) – APRICOT 2021 afternoon sessions
 - Will use Zoom
 - Meeting & Webinar as appropriate

APRICOT 2021 Virtual Event

□ Virtual Event means:

- No workshops
 - Supervised technical training with lab work is incredibly hard to do successfully online
- Workshop week converted to a Tutorial week
 - Invited tutorial topics and instructors (by PhNOG request)
- Conference week two tracks only:
 - APRICOT organised track
 - APNIC organised track
- Zoom fatigue is a real problem which cannot be ignored:
 - Shorter talks (20 minutes: short and to the point)
 - Shorter sessions (60 minutes rather than 90 minutes)
 - Four sessions per day with short breaks in between (physical wellbeing)
- Everything prepared beforehand:
 - Including Peering Personals, NOG Reports, and Lightning Talks
- Accommodation of recorded presentations

APRICOT 2021 so far

- 1920 registrations representing 88 economies
- 41 Sponsors & Supporting Organisations
- Tutorial Week (22nd – 26th):
 - 485 participants joined the Zoom Webinar
 - 14 instructors (10 invited)
 - 14 tutorial topics
 - Network Monitoring & Management 2.0, Wireless Deployment, IPv6 Deployment, RPKI, BGP Introduction, BGP Best Practices, BGP Multihoming Deployment, DNSSEC Operations, MANRS, DDoS Realities, DNS is under attack, Meaning Security Conversations with Vendors, IP Address for Router & Host Reachability, Network Automation

Future APRICOTs

- In December 2020, APNIC EC and APNOG Board agreed to suspend the rotation of APNIC Conferences and APRICOT Summits around the region
 - Suspension will be reviewed in September 2021
 - The next physical event will be an APRICOT
- If it is not possible to hold a physical event in February 2022, suspension continues for another year
 - And repeat until we can hold a physical event again
- This gives certainty to the hosts who have “missed out” on the physical event

Future APRICOTs

- February 2022
 - If we can hold a physical event, we go to Manila for APRICOT 2022
 - If we cannot hold a physical event, we will work with the originally intended 2022 host economy, Bangladesh, to deliver a virtual event, much like this year
- February 2023
 - If we managed to hold a physical event for APRICOT 2022, APRICOT 2023 will be in Bangladesh
 - If we could not hold a physical event for APRICOT 2022, but a physical event is possible this time, APRICOT 2023 will be in Manila
 - If we cannot hold a physical event, we work with the intended 2023 host economy, Hong Kong, to deliver a virtual event, much like this year
- In short:
 - Next physical events will be in Manila, then Dhaka, then Hong Kong, then Nadi

Thank you

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