



APNIC, the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre, is one of five Regional Internet Registries in the world, responsible for providing vital resource allocation and registration services to the Asia Pacific Internet Community.

“Addressing the challenge of responsible Internet resource distribution in the Asia Pacific region”

What is APNIC’s role?

As a Regional Internet Registry, APNIC is charged with ensuring the fair distribution and responsible management of IP addresses and the related numeric resources that are required for the stable and reliable operation of the Internet.

Resource services

APNIC allocates and registers Internet Protocol (IP) address numbers (IPv4 and IPv6), Autonomous System (AS) numbers, reverse DNS delegations, and maintains a public whois database.

Open Policy Meetings

APNIC Open Policy Meetings are a forum for technology and policy issues affecting the Asia Pacific Internet community and are open to all those with an interest in the Internet in this region.

Note: APNIC is not involved in administering the Domain Name System (DNS) and is not responsible for registering domain names.

Training and education

APNIC conducts training across the region for ISPs’ technical staff responsible for allocating or assigning address resources.

Representation

As a member of the Asia Pacific Internet community, APNIC represents the interests of that community on the global stage and builds strong relationships with key organisations, regionally and globally.

How is APNIC structured?

APNIC is a membership-based, not-for-profit organisation, consisting of the following:

(1) Members

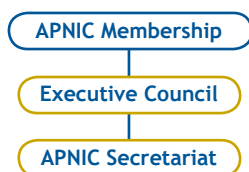
Members vote on certain membership issues during Member Meetings and provide input through other channels during the year.

(2) Executive Council (EC)

An Executive Council (EC) is elected by the members to represent them in a policy- and decision-making capacity between Member Meetings.

(3) Secretariat

The Secretariat (APNIC’s staff) carries out the day to day work of the organisation.



How are APNIC policies developed?

APNIC’s policies are developed by the membership and the broader Internet community through an open process of consultation and consensus. The forums for policy development are the APNIC Open Policy Meetings – held twice per year – and the public mailing list discussions of the Special Interest Groups. The APNIC policy development process is described in detail at:

<http://www.apnic.net/policy/dev>

What is the APNIC Region?

APNIC serves the entire Asia Pacific region, comprising the following 56 economies* in Asia and Oceania:

Afghanistan, American Samoa, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, British Indian Ocean Territory, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Christmas Island, Cocos Keeling Islands, Cook Islands, East Timor, Fiji, French Polynesia, French Southern Territories, Guam, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, North Korea, South Korea, Laos, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Norfolk Island, Northern Mariana Islands, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Pitcairn, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Vietnam, Wallis and Futuna Islands.

*Economies recognised within the Internet Registry system are defined according to the International Standards Organization’s two-letter coding system (ISO-3166).

Who are APNIC’s members?

Membership is open to all individuals and organisations. APNIC’s members include Internet Service Providers (ISPs), National Internet Registries (NIRs), and Network Information Centres (NICs) throughout the Asia Pacific region.

On 30 June 2008, APNIC had 1732 members in 50 economies across the region. Of those, twelve are confederation members, representing several hundred indirect members.

Extra large members:	10
Very large members:	28
Large members:	83
Medium members:	246
Small members:	808
Very small members:	341
Associate members:	216

A short history of APNIC

1993

APNIC was established as a project of the Asia Pacific Networking Group (APNG).

1994

IANA authorised APNIC to commence allocating resources in its region.

1996

APNIC helped to found APRICOT, the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Conference on Operational Technologies, now the premier regional conference for network operators and policy makers.

1998

APNIC relocated from its original base in Tokyo to Brisbane, Australia. The relocation has helped APNIC increase its staffing and resources to meet the sustained growth in demand for services.

1999

APNIC commenced training courses for hostmaster staff within the region. In the same year, APNIC cooperated closely with ARIN and RIPE NCC to introduce IPv6 address services.

1999 - 2000

APNIC provided secretariat services to the ICANN Address Supporting Organization (ASO) in its first year of operation. This support is just one aspect of the close involvement that APNIC has shared with the other RIRs in the reshaping of the new Internet administrative landscape.

2000

APNIC hosted its first independently-held, three day Open Policy Meeting.

2001

APNIC membership categories were expanded to allow for non-resource Associate members and additional membership tiers.

2002

APNIC introduces the Member Services Helpdesk with extended operating hours, providing members with one point of contact for all enquiries.

2003

APNIC, ARIN, LACNIC, and RIPE NCC form the Number Resource Organization (NRO).

APNIC partners

APNIC works closely with many other Internet organisations, including:

The APNIC membership:

Major Internet Service Providers (ISPs), National Internet Registries (NIRs) and Network Information Centres (NICs).

Other Regional Internet Registries (RIRs):

ARIN, serving North America; LACNIC, serving Latin America and the Caribbean; RIPE NCC, serving Europe; and AfriNIC, serving Africa.

Asia Pacific peak bodies in Internet industry, technology, and policy:

APNG, APIA, APAN, APTLD, and APRICOT.

The Number Resource Organization:

With the other RIRs, APNIC is a member of the NRO, which exists to protect the unallocated number resource pool, to promote and protect the bottom-up policy development process, and to be the focal point for input into the RIR system.

Other leading Internet organisations:

Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA), Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), Internet Engineering Policy Group (IEPG), Internet Society (ISOC), and others.

Membership fees

Membership is open to all organisations and individuals. Members are classified by size, with each member's minimum tier determined by their total address holdings. Membership fees for APNIC members are as follows:

Tier*	IPv4 addresses	IPv6 addresses	Annual Fee (AU\$)
Associate	none	none	792
Very Small	up to /22 (incl)	up to /35 (incl)	1,584
Small	>/22 up to /19	>/35 up to /32	3,169
Medium	>/19 up to /16	>/32 up to /29	6,338
Large	>/16 up to /13	>/29 up to /26	12,676
Very Large	>/13 up to /10	>/26 up to /23	25,352
Extra Large	>/10	>/23	50,704

An IP Resource Application Fee of AU\$3,169 applies to members making their first request for IP address resources. This fee does not apply to AS numbers or subsequent IP requests.

* For members holding both IPv4 and IPv6 address space, the membership tier is assessed separately for each type of address space, as described above. The member's effective membership tier is then assessed as the larger of the two.

For more detail on membership categories and for information on all of APNIC's fees, services, and meetings, please visit the web site at <http://www.apnic.net>.



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