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# Memorandum of Understanding between APNIC and APAN

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## Parties

This Memorandum of Understanding is made between:

- A. APNIC Pty Ltd ACN 081 528 101  
for and on behalf of the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre  
(**APNIC**); and
- B. The Asia-Pacific Advanced Network, a not-for-profit association of Asia-Pacific national research and education networks (NRENs) incorporated in Hong Kong as a company limited by guarantee (**APAN**)

## Background

1. APNIC functions as the Regional Internet Registry for the Asia Pacific, in service of its members and the wider community. APAN refers to both the organisation representing its members, and to the backbone network that connects the research and education networks of its member countries/economies to each other and to other research networks around the world.
2. APNIC and APAN both perform important roles within their own communities which support the growth of an open, secure, stable, high-performance and high-value Internet infrastructure, and its use by a diverse range of communities, especially research and education.
3. APNIC and APAN also organise diverse but related activities focused on outreach, training, community events, and fellowships.

## Objectives

4. Some APNIC and APAN activities are complementary, in terms of common or closely related audience, subject matter, locations and objectives.
5. APNIC and APAN are committed to working together in complementary activities wherever possible and appropriate, to enhance cooperation towards their individual and shared objectives.



## Record of Understanding

6. APNIC and APAN agree to cooperate to promote domestic and international Internet, standards, infrastructure development and services in order to encourage Internet development in the Asia Pacific.
7. APNIC and APAN agree to exchange information regularly and render mutual assistance with regard to activities undertaken on behalf of their respective members in the AP region and within the normal parameters of their organization activities.
8. APNIC and APAN agree to cooperate and render mutual assistance and reciprocate the attendance of their members to meetings, seminars, or conferences to further the goals of this MoU.
9. APNIC and APAN agree to cooperate and render mutual assistance and reciprocate the attendance of their members in relevant training programs.
10. APNIC and APAN agree to develop an evolving workplan, with more specific activities under this MoU, upon signing of this MoU.
11. APNIC and APAN agree to hold quarterly meetings between their designated contacts, identified below, to follow up on this MoU and to drive the development and evolution of the workplan.
12. In addition, APNIC and APAN agree to collaborate in the following areas:
  - Technology  
Working together on trials, research and the deployment of technologies such as IPv6, RPKI, DNSSEC and others identified by either party
  - Fellowships  
Participation in common activities as well as support from funded participants
  - Internships  
Support for hosting individuals at participating organisations for extended periods for their professional development
  - Research, education funding  
Identifying sources of funding and attracting funding
  - Director-level engagement  
Ensuring easy and frequent communication, sharing intentions and future plans (allowing for any confidentiality requirements)
  - Marketing and outreach  
Ensuring communication about the other party is coordinated, checked and agreed, that it is supportive of both party's needs.



- Reporting  
Assisting each other with any reporting requirements e.g. to funding agencies.

### No partnership or agency

13. This document does not create any partnership, agency, association, employment, or any other fiduciary relationship.
14. This document does not give any party, any authority to act as agent for, or on behalf of, or to represent or bind the other party in any manner.

### No transfer of funds

15. This document contemplates no transfer of funds between the parties. In the event this document is terminated, each party is solely responsible for the payment of any expenses it has incurred.

### Status of this document

16. The parties record their mutual intention that this document serves as a non-binding record of their understanding.
17. This document does not create any enforceable obligations under law.

### Duration and amendments

18. The parties can modify this document by recording any such modification in writing signed by both parties.
19. This document is intended to operate for three years, from the date of signing. However, either party may, by giving at least 60 days' notice in writing to the other party, terminate this document.

### Designated Contacts:

For APNIC:

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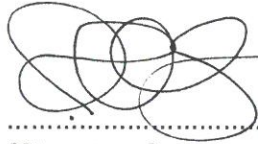
For APAN:

Name: Dr Markus Buchhorn  
Title: APAN General Manager  
Contact: [general-manager@apan.net](mailto:general-manager@apan.net)



## Signatures

For APNIC:



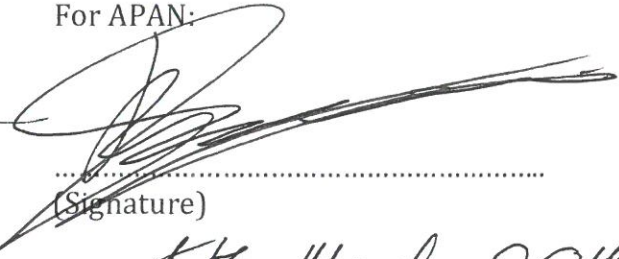
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Date: 5 MARCH 2015.

Name: Paul Wilson

Title: Director General

For APAN:



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(Signature)

Date: 5th March, 2015.

Name: Sureswaran Ramadass

Title: Chairman

