

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

**NATIONAL INTERNET EXCHANGE OF INDIA (NIXI)
DELHI, INDIA**

AND

**THE ASIA PACIFIC NETWORK INFORMATION CENTER (APNIC)
BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA**

DATE 27 November 2020

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made between:

A. APNIC Pty Ltd ACN 081 528 101 for and on behalf of ASIA PACIFIC NETWORK INFORMATION CENTRE (APNIC), a non-profit organization, located in Brisbane, Australia.

And

B. NATIONAL INTERNET EXCHANGE OF INDIA (NIXI), a non-profit organization, located in Delhi, India.

Hereafter referred to as the parties

Background

1. APNIC functions as the Regional Internet Registry for the Asia Pacific. In service of its members and the wider community. IRINN (A division of NIXI) functions as the National Internet Registry for India, in service of its affiliates and the wider community in India.
2. The parties both perform critical roles within their own communities which support the growth of an open, secure and stable Internet.
3. The parties organize diverse but related activities focused on Internet development, capacity building. Community outreach and participation.
4. Many activities of the parties are complimentary, in terms of common or closely related audiences, subject matter, locations and objectives.
5. The parties are committed to working together in complimentary activities wherever possible and appropriate to enhance cooperation towards their individual and shared objectives.

Objectives

APNIC and NIXI are committed to working together in complimentary activities wherever it's possible and appropriate, to enhance cooperation towards their individual and shared objectives.

Scope of this MoU

The parties agree to work collaboratively to enhance their coordination and cooperation with regard to activities in which they have a common interest. Such activities may include:

- ✓ **Participation in the Policy Development Process (PDP):** The Parties agree to co-operatively promote the importance of the PDP and support participation from Indian community in the local and regional Policy SIG.

- ✓ **Adoption of IPv6:** The Parties agree to co-operatively promote the importance of IPv4 address exhaustion and deployment of IPv6 to various stakeholders of the Internet within India and in the Asia Pacific Region.
- ✓ **Resource Certification:** The Parties agree to improve the security of inter-domain routing by promoting the awareness of Resource Certification and by supporting deployment of RPKI to the Indian community and within the Asia Pacific Region.
- ✓ **Workshop and Training:** The parties agree to support and collaborate on training programs, courses and projects that support Internet infrastructure development and services and research in India and the Asia Pacific.
- ✓ **Seminars and Conferences:** To mutually encourage APNIC and IRINN (NIXI) affiliates to attend technical training programs, seminars, and conferences organized by APNIC in India and elsewhere in the Asia Pacific Region.
- ✓ **Exchange of Information and Materials and Mutual Assistance:** The Parties agree to exchange information and material (whether digital, printed, audio, or visual) regularly. The Parties further agree to render mutual assistance with regard to activities undertaken to improving the Registry data consistency and accuracy and on behalf of their respective affiliates in the Region and within the normal parameters of each Party's organizational activities. In this perspective, the Parties also agree to allow website links between them.
- ✓ **Protection of Information:** The Parties agree to use all reasonable efforts to protect any internal or proprietary document received from the other Party and hereunder described as confidential or proprietary.

No Partnership or Agency

This MoU does not create any partnership, agency, association, employment, or any other fiduciary relationship.

No Transfer of Funds

This MoU 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 MoU

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

Amendments

The parties can modify this MoU by recording any such modification in writing signed by both parties.

The effective date of this MoU is the first date after both parties have signed the document. This MoU will be valid from the effective date unless sooner terminated, revoked or modified by mutual written agreement between the parties. Either party may terminate this MoU by giving 30 days' notice in writing to the other party. This MoU may be extended further by mutual written agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this **MoU** has been dully sealed and executed as of the date first above written.

NATIONAL INTERNET EXCHANGE OF INDIA

By: Anil Kumar Jain

Title: CEO, NIXI

Signature:

ASIA PACIFIC NETWORK INFORMATION CENTRE (APNIC)

By: Paul Wilson

Title: Director General

Signature: