APRICOT Update

APstar Retreat
Crown Promenade

Melbourne
17th February 2020
APNOG Update

- APNOG:
  - 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
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](mailto:apops@apops.net) mailing list for the network operations community in the Asia Pacific region
Changes for the APRICOT Summit:

- Partnership between APNOG and APNIC to deliver the event
  - Existing MoU updated to reflect the change
- APNOG operates its own bank account
  - APIA holds the remaining cash reserve on behalf of APNOG
  - APIA currently pays for APRICOT obligations on behalf of APNOG
- APRICOT Members are now recognised as APRICOT Supporters
APRICOT Summit

- APRICOT Summits follows cycle agreed with APNIC:
  - Moves around the 4 sub regions of Asia & Pacific
  - 2021 in South East Asia
  - 2022 in South Asia
  - 2023 in East Asia
  - 2024 in Pacific
APRICOT 2020 Update

- Workshops completed successfully yesterday

- 5 Workshops providing technical training
  - 84 participants plus 18 instructors and 5 support staff

- 500+ confirmed delegates for APRICOT 2020 Conference Week

- 30 Fellows for APRICOT 2020 (Workshops or Conference)
Unprecedented “bush fires” across national parks and other forested areas of QLD, NSW and Victoria
- International view: “Melbourne CBD is on fire”, “Australia on fire” – deemed “unsafe”

Visa refusals:
- Australian immigration refusing many visas on spurious grounds, even with Victoria conference bureau (and IECN) supporting our delegates’ applications

COVID-19
- Minimal impact in Australia, quick action by Government on 1st February following WHO declaration of “Public Health Emergency of International Concern” on 30th January
  - All travellers from or transiting mainland China (excluding Macau, Hong Kong, Taiwan) not permitted to travel to Australia
- APRICOT 2020 Impact: 40 mainland China delegates, around 30 due to strict corporate travel policy
APRICOT 2020 Summit

- **Very Special Occasion**

- This APRICOT marks the 25\textsuperscript{th} event since APRICOT was founded in 1996

- Apart from familiar Opening and Closing Social events, a very special evening celebration of APRICOT
  - Thursday 20\textsuperscript{th} February (20.02.2020)

Future APRICOTs

APRICOT 2021
- Will be in South East Asia
- Announcement due at Closing Plenary
- Workshops: 22nd – 26th February
- Conference: 1st – 4th March

APRICOT 2022
- Will be in South Asia
- No expressions of interest as yet
- Workshops: 21st – 25th February
- Conference: 28th February – 3rd March
Thank you

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