I am D.D. Prabath, Head of Training of LK Domain Registry thanks all ccTLDs for funding me for the APTLD 77th meeting & workshops in Melbourne during 18-22 February 2020.

This is my 3rd meeting, initially the 54th meeting in my own country Sri Lanka during June 2010. My second meeting and the first overseas meeting was 58th meeting held in Crown Conference Centre, Melbourne in December 2011.

I see a great improvement in activities, the way it organized after nine years. **Mr Joe Alagna of Afilias gave a good start on Marketing** for the session under “How to promote relations between a ccTLD and government”. It's a very useful presentation and the he presents it very attractive and professional way with his years long experience in the field combining examples of his own life. For me, this is the best presentation and gave a good start to APTLD77.

Then, **Mr Ian Hanke, gave another good useful tip for working with government**, how to deal with government officials, politicians in opposition as well. It's a very good eye opener for us.

My own colleagues done a good technical workshop on second day. I understand that each ccTLD operates in different ways and some do all technical stuff themselves and others outsourced.

Large number of presentations on the first day of the meeting, and we learnt different activities of ccTLDs and various organizations/bodies involved in APRALO, ICANN, APNIC, ISOC etc. **Mr Patrick Myles of NetKnowledge's presentation on Data Science** gives a new approach using new technologies and I am really interest in that.

Visit to Neustar operation site was a great experience for me. Thanks for **Mr George Pongas** for his introductory session, and **Mr Rohan Durrants for his guided tour**. I learnt new way of top level domains like .melbourne, .sydney, .courses etc.

Finally, the visit to Healesville Sanctuary is a great opportunity to see native Australian animals.

I think most participants were at City Tempo Hotel in Queens St. and it is a very good place with good facilities and just walking distance to the Meeting venue or using Free Tram service.

*We have very good communication system using emails and I am thinking about a WhatsApp group or similar instant messaging media specially during the*
workshop/meeting (start from a day before) for latest meeting updates and changes and we can instantly communicate with it.

Having parallel sessions paves space for more presentations and sometimes it may have two good presentations in the same time, but we cannot avoid and have to plan very carefully.

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Finally, it's a very successful event and thanks for all involved in.