APTLD July 2004 Meeting Communiqué

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

The Asia Pacific Top Level Domain Association (APTLD) convened its second Member and Board Meeting for the year of 2004 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 18 July. The meeting was well attended by member representatives from .au, .cn, .cx, .hk, .jp, .kr, .my, .nu, .nz, .ph, .sg, .th, .tw, .vn, and Afilias; Observers from CENTR; as well as non-member representatives from .ae, .af, .cl, gi, .ir, .mx, .pw, .za, APNIC, CAT TELECOM PUBLIC Co, Ltd, LACTLD, WEBCC.

The meeting began with a special session of fruitful dialogue with CENTR on how both regional organizations, APTLD and CENTR, might enhance future cooperation and learning from each other’s operation experiences.

During the meeting, members were briefed on ICANN related issues including the current progress and development of ccNSO and a comprehensive updates on comments posted on the ICANN budget. In
order for members to have further insights of these issues which are of
great concern to the APTLD members, ICANN Vice President, Mr. Paul
Verhoef, and IANA General Manager, Mr. Doug Barton, were invited to
the meeting for members to have the opportunity of communicating face
to face on subjects such as ICANN budget, accountability and
framework, and IANA process.

It is also worth noting that been a regional forum, information on regional
cooporation project such as Asia Pacific ENUM Engineering Team
(APEET) and APNG recent event updates were presented to members’
attention at the meeting. And the organization’s Secretariat operation has
entered a stable stage, its finance management recently been examined by
professional auditor; and has fully documented the Secretariat operations
in a “Request for Proposal to Operate APTLD Secretariat” in searching
for a new Secretariat for two year term from 2005 to 2006.

In the future, APTLD intends to enhance its technical training service to
ccTLDs in the AP region by means of hosting APTLD workshop or
collaborating with trainings conducted by organizations such as APNIC.
Furthermore, it was moved during the Board’s Meeting that the Board
will recommend to apply for ccNSO recognition as regional ccTLD
association and call for members’ comments on the members’ mailing list.

The Meeting ended with special thanks to MYNIC and WEBCC for their generous sponsorship.

Signed by:

APTLD Chairman: Peter Dengate Thrush

Members of the Board: Chan-ki Park, Chris Disspain, Hualin Qian, Richard St. Clair, Shariya Haniz Zulkifli, Yumi Ohashi and Joanna Tso (proxy for Vincent WS Chen).