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GENERAL  
MEETING

# APAC Space

12 November 2024



# Agenda

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- ❑ **Welcome and Introductions (2 mins)** – Samiran Gupta, Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement & Managing Director, APAC
- ❑ **APAC Regional Plan: FY24 Achievements and FY25 Highlights (20 mins)** – Samiran Gupta, Vice President, Stakeholder Engagement & Managing Director, APAC
- ❑ **World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20 Process (10 mins)** - Facilitated by Ian Sheldon, Australia GAC Representative
- ❑ **Open Community Discussion (10 mins)** – Facilitated by Boyoung Kim, General Researcher, Korea Internet & Security Agency (KISA)
- ❑ **AOB (3 mins)**
- ❑ **Group Photo and Networking (15 mins)**



# Welcome and Introductions



**Samiran Gupta**  
VP, Stakeholder Engagement &  
Managing Director, ICANN APAC

# APAC SPACE

- ❖ “Space” for APAC community members
- ❖ To facilitate networking, discussion and participation
- ❖ Held at each ICANN meeting
- ❖ Community-led agenda and community facilitator



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# EDMON CHUNG

ICANN Board Member

Term: October 2021 - AGM 2024

# Amitabh Singhal

ICANN Board Member  
Term: AGM 2024 (Incoming)





# **FY24 Achievements & FY25 Highlights**

Reporting Period: July 2023 - July 2024



**Samiran Gupta**

VP, Stakeholder Engagement &  
Managing Director, ICANN APAC

# FY24 Events

## APAC DNS Forum 2024\*

7th & 8th\* APIGA

UA Day 2024

APAC Space

Upcoming Events



- Co-hosted with Pengelola Nama Domain Internet Indonesia (PANDI).
- 290 in-person and 465 virtual participants over two days.
- Key topics discussed: Importance of community collaboration and the multistakeholder model, strengthening DNS Security, emerging technologies, IDNs, UA, New gTLD Program: Next Round
- Side Events:
  - 'Train the Trainers' on DNS and DNSSEC topics.
  - Partnered with the International Trademark Association (INTA) to conduct a session discussing the increasing importance of having a digital presence.
- Four pre-event webinars led by the APAC community on topics of DNS Security, DNSSEC, and DNS Abuse.



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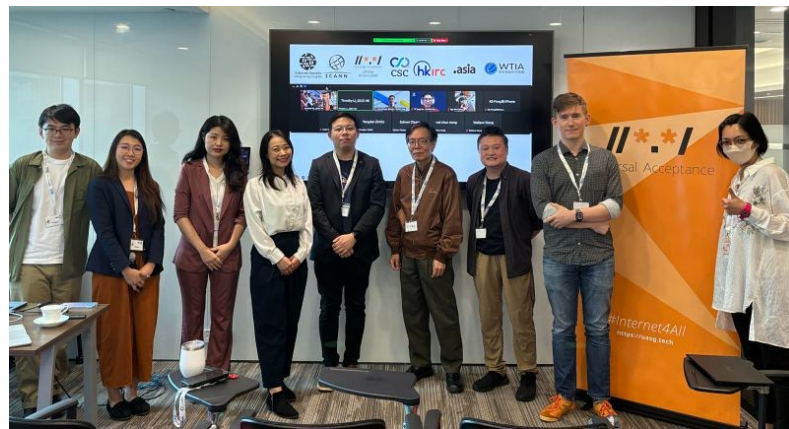
UA Day 2024

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Upcoming Events



Laos



Hong Kong



Sri Lanka



India

- 12 of 30 proposals from APAC accepted.
- Local UA Day events were held in Bangladesh, China, Hong Kong, India, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, South Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.

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APAC DNS Forum 2024\*

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>\* APIGA

UA Day 2024

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Upcoming Events

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FORUM

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- 218 in-person and virtual attendees participated across both sessions.
- Continue to prioritize in-person networking to strengthen APAC community linkages

# FY25 Events

APAC DNS Forum 2024\*

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>\* APIGA

UA Day 2024

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**Upcoming Events**

- ICANN APAC Forum 2025 (formerly APAC DNS Forum)
- UA Day 2025— local/regional, global
- Regional APIGA 2025 & Local APIGA events
- ICANN APAC-TWNIC Engagement Forum 2025

## Objective 1

## Objective 2

## Objective 3

## Objective 4

### Strategic Objective 1: Strengthen the security of the DNS and the DNS root server system

- Internet Domain Name System Beijing Engineering Research Center LLC (ZDNS) joined as a participant in the Knowledge-Sharing and Instantiating Norms for DNS and Naming Security (**KINDNS**) program.



- Published an article about the **Root Server System (RSS)** in China Internet Network Information Center's (CNNIC) book "Observations on Global Cyberspace Governance" (Chinese title: 网络空间全球治理观察).
- Engaged with ccTLD .ph to successfully **deploy Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC)** in their zone.
- Two new IMRS Instances** were activated in: Avarua, Cook Islands (IPv4 only), by Vodafone and Kunming, China, by China Telecom Yunnan Branch.

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## Strategic Objective 2: Improve the effectiveness of ICANN's multistakeholder model of governance

- APAC community submitted inputs for **10 Public Comment proceedings**. The top three topics of interest were: PDP4 Initial Report on the (de-)selection of IDN ccTLDs, Root Zone DNSSEC Algorithm Rollover Study, DNS Abuse contract obligations.
- As part of the the initiative to increase APAC representation in ICANN leadership roles, we conducted a **networking session** for 15 APAC community veterans, regulars, and newcomers at ICANN79.
- Supported APRALO activities: ([Full Report](#))
  - Finalized **APRALO's FY24 Outreach and Engagement plan** at the 6<sup>th</sup> APRALO General Assembly.
  - New Accreditations:
    - **Four new At-Large Structures (ALSes)** from Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, and Tonga received accreditation.
    - **Four Unaffiliated Independent Members (UIMs)** from Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Malaysia were accredited.



# New APAC Leaders (Appointed/ Re-elected in FY24)

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- **Anupam Agrawal**, Board Member, Public Technical Identifiers
- **Nicole Chan**, Vice-Chair, Address Supporting Organization
- **Manju Chen**, Council Member, Generic Names Supporting Organization (GNSO) and Expedited Policy Development Process on IDNs Liaison to the GNSO Council
- **Justine Chew**, Vice-Chair, At-Large Advisory Committee (ALAC) and ALAC Liaison to the GNSO
- **Jennifer Chung**, Council Member, GNSO
- **Imran Hossen**, Vice-Chair, Universal Acceptance Steering Group (UASG) Measurement Working Group
- **Hong-Fu Meng (Tom)**, Council Member, GNSO
- **Tomslin Samme – Nlar**, Vice-Chair, GNSO
- **Balendu Sharma**, Ambassador, UASG
- **Wang Lang**, Vice- Chair, Governmental Advisory Committee
- **Jiankang Yao**, Council Member, Country Code Names Supporting Organization

# FY24 APAC Leaders (1)

| NAME                   | POSITION(S)                                                     |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Edmon Chung</b>     | ICANN Board Member<br>EPDP-IDNs Liaison to the Board            |
| <b>Sajid Rahman</b>    | ICANN Board Member                                              |
| <b>Chris Chapman</b>   | ICANN Board Member                                              |
| <b>Chris Buckridge</b> | ICANN Board Member                                              |
| <b>Satish Babu</b>     | UASG Technology WG Chair<br>ALAC Liaison to UASG                |
| <b>Anil Kumar Jain</b> | UASG Chair<br>UASG Communications WG Chair<br>ccPDP4 Vice Chair |
| <b>Haixin Duan</b>     | UASG Vice-Chair                                                 |
| <b>Nitin Walia</b>     | UASG Vice-Chair<br>UASG EAI WG Vice-Chair                       |
| <b>Sarika Gulyani</b>  | Chair, UA Local Initiative (LI)-- India                         |

| NAME                         | POSITION(S)             |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Wei Pei</b>               | Chair, UALI-- China     |
| <b>Anawin Pongsaboripat</b>  | Chair, UALI-- Thailand  |
| <b>Harsha Wijayawardhana</b> | Chair, UALI-- Sri Lanka |
| <b>Harish Chowdhary</b>      | UASG Ambassador         |
| <b>Vijay Shekhar Sharma</b>  | UASG Ambassador         |
| <b>Zhijiang Liu</b>          | UASG Ambassador         |
| <b>Sushanta Sinha</b>        | UASG Ambassador         |
| <b>Yangyi (Walter) Wu</b>    | UASG Ambassador         |
| <b>Xiucheng (Marvin) Wu</b>  | UASG Ambassador         |
| <b>Aman Masjide</b>          | UASG Ambassador         |

# FY24 APAC Leaders (2)

| NAME                    | POSITION(S)                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Amrita Choudhury</b> | APRALO Chair                |
| <b>Aris Ignacio</b>     | APRALO Vice-Chair           |
| <b>Gunela Astbrink</b>  | APRALO Vice-Chair (Interim) |
| <b>Gaurav Kansal</b>    | ASO Council Member          |
| <b>Di Ma</b>            | ASO Council Member          |
| <b>Jordan Carter</b>    | ccNSO Vice-Chair            |
| <b>Ai-Chin Lu</b>       | ccNSO Council Member        |
| <b>Sebastien Ducos</b>  | GNSO Chair                  |
| <b>Antonia Chu</b>      | GNSO Council Member         |

| NAME                | POSITION(S)     |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Kenny Huang</b>  | ccPDP4 Chair    |
| <b>Donna Austin</b> | EPDP IDNs Chair |

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**Objective 3**

Objective 4

## **Strategic Objective 3: Evolve the unique identifier systems in coordination and collaboration with relevant parties to continue to serve the needs of the global Internet user base**

- Supported the Lao National Internet Centre (LANIC) on **adopting EAI-compliance** within their email server.
- Engaged with Sri Lanka's Theekshana Research & Development to set up the **first UA ready website** ([All Ceylon Buddhist Congress](#)) in Sri Lanka and **EAI compliant email servers**.
- Second-Level Reference Label Generation Rules (LGRs):
  - Published script-based Reference LGRs for seven new scripts, including commonly used scripts in APAC, **Japanese, Korean, and Myanmar**.
  - Supported the community on the **development of new scripts including Balinese and Thaana**.
- Published **six articles on UA** in media outlets in China, India, and Thailand. One article was published on "[New Generic Top Level Domains: An Opportunity for 'India Inc' to Reach Global Customers](#)"\* to **raise awareness about the New gTLD Next Round**.

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## Strategic Objective 4: Address geopolitical issues impacting ICANN's mission to ensure a single and globally interoperable Internet

- Strengthened the APAC GAC network/participation:
  - 12 APAC delegations attended the **2024 High Level Governmental Meeting (HLGM) at ICANN80**.
  - Organized **two APAC GAC networking sessions**— an in-person session at ICANN78, and a virtual session post ICANN79. In total, 61 GAC members from 17 APAC economies joined.
  - Held an **APAC GAC Capacity Building workshop** alongside the APAC DNS Forum 2024\*. Thirty participants from 10 economies joined on-site, 2 economies joined virtually. Topics discussed included DNS abuse, RDRS, Next Round, and the multistakeholder model for Internet Governance.
  - Reviewed **31 legislations/regulations** in the APAC region and shared key information with the community through ICANN's [Government Engagement webpage](#) and during ICANN meeting geopolitical update sessions.



# THANK YOU!

- Check out my [blog](#) for a snapshot of the APAC FY24 Regional Report
- Full [APAC FY24 Regional Report](#) can be accessed here
- Proposed updates to the [APAC Regional Plan \(FY21 – 25\)](#) will be shared via email for community inputs

# World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)+20 Process



Facilitated by:  
**Ian Sheldon**  
Australia GAC Representative

# Open Community Discussion



Facilitated by:

**Boyoung Kim**

General Researcher, Korea Internet &  
Security Agency (KISA)

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# Group Photo & Networking



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## Thank You and Questions

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