

Asia Pacific Regional Internet Conference on Operational Technologies (APRICOT)



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to South East Asia was vital'**

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The Image of Success

Perth Convention Exhibition Centre Perth, Western Australia



Perth cityscape and whalewatching off the Western Australian Coasts

Highlights:

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The conference was able to offer delegates an ideal way of meeting their industry colleagues as well as relax in the relative calm surroundings that Australia had to offer

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Ready access to many local hotels and other facilities was an added benefit

APRICOT is the annual Asia Pacific Regional Internet Conference on Operational Technologies, an event which draws together Internet Service Provider operators, Internet network engineers, equipment vendors and Internet researchers from all over the Asia & Pacific region, as well as from further afield.

APRICOT is hosted by different economies around the Asia & Pacific region; hosting APRICOT is highly valued by the host organisation and has a demonstrated impact on the Internet economy as a consequence. The conference's aim is to provide education and outreach, as well as facilitating information exchange and greater cooperation between participants, with the end benefits for the domestic and regional Internet economies.

APRICOT organisers chose to hold the 11th conference in Australia following an assessment of several international bids to host the event.

They were attracted by the relative proximity to South East Asia (vital for a conference to be attractive to the whole region), the cost effective budget and cost impact for participants, the helpfulness and proficiency of the local hosts and the event organiser, and the spaciousness, convenience and modern facilities of the Convention and Exhibition Centre.

An ideal way for delegates to network with their industry colleagues from all over the Asian Pacific region.