

TOP NEWS

The inaugural APAC DNS Forum will take place virtually from 30 March to 1 April 2022. The three-day event will feature discussions ranging from technical topics to industry trends and business opportunities. The opening ceremony will be held in Kuala Lumpur on 29 March 2022, and MYNIC is making the necessary arrangements for local participants to attend the opening ceremony.

[Read the full announcement here](#)

UPCOMING FORUM - KEYNOTE SESSION

The Future of the Domain Name System (DNS)

30 March 2022
0100-0230 UTC | 0900-1030 MYT (UTC+8)

What to Expect:

- A panel session with:
 - Göran Marby, ICANN President and CEO
 - Geoff Huston, Chief Scientist, APNIC
 - May-Ann Lim, Director of the Fair Tech Institute, and Emeritus Director of the Asia Cloud Computing Association
 - Ram Mohan, Chief Strategy Officer, Donuts
- The panelists will share their observations and views on the future of the DNS.
- They will also discuss the existing (or potential) challenges for the DNS, focusing on themes such as the DNS as an infrastructure, who controls the DNS, and what makes the Internet multilingual.

[More information on the program is available here](#)

Other notable sessions:

The full program is now available on the [event website](#). Other key sessions include:

- An onlook at the impact of the introduction of 5G on the DNS.
- Technical experts sharing their views and exploring the impact of new emerging technologies on the DNS.
- An overview of domain name lifecycles and how it relates to domain name owners or registrants. The session also covers registrants' rights and responsibilities, and ways to protect their domain names.

[Registration](#) is required to attend the Forum.

SPOTLIGHT

The Future of the Domain Name System

Missed the last webinar on 4 March 2022? Catch the full recording on YouTube [here](#) or access it via the [virtual platform](#).

No time to watch the full recording? Here are some highlights:

The DNS is fundamental to the Internet

Geoff Huston, Chief Scientist at the Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (APNIC) compares the Domain Name System (DNS) to a language and explains why it needs to be safeguarded. Watch his session [here](#).

Who's in charge of the DNS?

Different kinds of markets within the DNS create a coherent system. Geoff Huston calls this “an astounding experiment that has been wildly successful beyond anyone’s imagination”. Listen to his explanation [here](#).

“Three big moves” happening to the DNS

Geoff Huston stated that there are three major developments happening currently which will shape the Internet of tomorrow. The race is on to create a bigger, faster, and better Internet, threatening the cohesion of the Internet as we know it today. Learn more about this [here](#).

Challenges ahead for the DNS

Geoff Huston envisions that the challenge for the next decade is to advocate for and defend the unity of the Internet. It is inevitable that large companies will work to upgrade the Internet on their own, for their own users. However, the key factor is to convince them and the public that a single, coherent domain name system remains critical to keep the Internet open and accessible for all. Watch his observations [here](#).

APAC DNS INDUSTRY NEWS

Internet organizations team up to boost Internet access in the Asia Pacific region

The Internet Society and several Asia Pacific Internet organizations have formed a partnership and signed a Memorandum of Understanding to develop Internet Exchange Points (IXPs) in the Asia Pacific region. The planned cooperation will be particularly beneficial for countries whose Internet traffic is routed via international links, for example landlocked countries and small island developing states. Read more [here](#).

Only one in ten people in low-and-middle-income countries have reliable Internet access

The overwhelming majority, 90 percent, of people in low-and-middle-income countries lack a stable Internet connection that is key to access essential health, education, and employment services, according to a new report by the Alliance for Affordable Internet. Read more [here](#).