

DotAsia Board Community Projects Committee (BCC) Meeting Minutes

Date(s) & Time:	March 31, 2026 (Tue) 12:30 PM – 13:30 PM (HKT)
Location:	DotAsia Zoom Meeting Room: http://aji.asia/zoomboardcommunity
Attendees:	Edmon CHUNG Maureen HILYARD Akinori MAEMURA Rupesh SHRESTHA Jo-Fan YU Amina MEIRASBEK (DotAsia Team)

No.	Action Items:	Owner	Remarks
C2026.03.A01	Secure and confirm a backup venue in Hong Kong for APriGF 2026 while continuing to pursue Nepal’s confirmation as the primary host, and report back to the BCC	Edmon CHUNG	Completed. Will be reported at next BCC meeting.
C2026.03.A02	Develop a proposed timeline and consultation process for the 2027–2030 Strategic Plan	BoardSec	In Progress.

Discussions:

1. Roll Call

- 1.1. The Chair for the Board Community Project Committee (BCC) was discussed. Maureen and Rupesh noted that in the abundance of caution, due to their respective organization’s collaborations with DotAsia in the ICANN new gTLD program, that another person should take the leadership position if possible. It was noted that conflict of interest with the BCC should be minimal. It was suggested that Boyoung be asked if she would be willing to take up the BCC Chair position.
- 1.2. Maureen HILYARD chaired the Board Community Project Committee (BCC) meeting on Mar 31, 2026.
- 1.3. Roll call. Those present for all or part of the meeting are included in the Attendees section.

2. Adoption of Last BCC Meeting Minutes (Jan 20, 2026)

- 2.1. Draft 1 of BCC meeting minutes on Jan 20, 2026 was presented.
- 2.2. The BCC meeting minutes Jan 20, 2026 were adopted.

3. Community Project Quarterly Scorecard

- 3.1. The Quarterly Community Projects Scorecard was circulated and presented. It was reported that core projects are progressing well overall, with APriGF 2026 remaining “red” due to lack of confirmation from local host in Nepal.
- 3.2. An update was provided noting that Nepal host leadership indicated that recent government changes have created uncertainty, but that they are working with the new government to confirm their ability to host APriGF 2026 as soon as possible.
 - 3.2.1. A question was raised on the timeline for APriGF 2026 confirmation. It was responded that the matter will be discussed at the next APriGF MSG meeting, and that DotAsia will propose that, in parallel, the Secretariat look to secure a backup venue option in Hong Kong while keeping Kathmandu as priority. (C2026.03.A01)
 - 3.2.2. It was highlighted that Japan has reaffirmed commitment to host APriGF 2027, with a full proposal expected soon, and that expressed interest for hosting APriGF 2028 has also been received.
- 3.3. Regarding APriGF Secretariat work, it was noted that the committees have been seated, that the AI project for APriGF is progressing well, and that APriGF mailing-lists have been migrated successfully. It was further reported that DotAsia intends to start working with APriGF local hosts into the future to maintain their website on the DotAsia platform to reduce redundant work in archiving of websites for the annual event.
- 3.4. On other IG engagements, it was reported that IGFSAs are operating steadily but is facing difficulty in raising funds, and that the status for DIPCC is set to “yellow” due to the departure of a key person driving the initiative.
- 3.5. It was noted that APAC GAC representatives outreach continued at ICANN 85 in Mumbai. A question was raised on what the purpose is for reaching out to GAC representatives. It was highlighted that DotAsia is engaging with APAC GAC representatives regarding .Asia Governmental Reserved Names as well as EcolInternet activities, and that support from BCC members to connect with their local GAC representatives would be greatly appreciated.

4. Member Engagement Discussion

- 4.1. An update was provided on 2025 member engagement efforts. It was reported that limited number of Members responded. It was highlighted that this corresponded with the Member survey results which indicated that Members were generally positive on DotAsia’s work but that immediate areas for collaboration may not be forthcoming other than DotAsia’s efforts around the development of a Trusted Notifier network.
- 4.2. A proposal was presented to refocus efforts on SCP Common Pool by proactively identifying promising local grant recipients and approaching the corresponding Member for collaboration.
- 4.3. A question was raised on AGM timing and whether shifting from APRICOT to ICANN/APTLTD would aid engagement. It was explained that DotAsia is committed to APRICOT because that is where many of the APAC Internet organizations met, including APTLD which used to co-locate with APRICOT also.
- 4.4. There was agreement to explore proactive SCP collaborations, although newsletters and other outreach efforts should continue.

5. Strategic Plan 2027-2030 Preparations

- 5.1. Process and timeline for the developing the next DotAsia Strategic Plan was discussed, recalling that the 2024–2027 plan was largely developed by BCC before full Board adoption.
 - 5.1.1. There was discussion about whether other Board Committees should be involved more in the Strategic Plan development, and that a 3-year horizon should work well for DotAsia.
 - 5.1.2. A question was raised on whether there are particular fiscal reason for tying the Strategic Plan cycle to the DotAsia fiscal year. It was explained that there is no fiscal limitation.
 - 5.1.3. It was suggested that the adoption of the Strategic Plan be aligned with the AGM in February, and that Member input opportunity is important.
- 5.2. Emphasis was placed on establishing a clear public timeline for Member consultation/feedback to encourage meaningful participation and ownership of the Strategic Plan.
- 5.3. It was agreed that DotAsia will draft a proposed timeline and process for Board review. (C2026.03.A02)

6. 20th Anniversary Celebrations @ APNIC Mumbai

- 6.1. Plans for DotAsia's 20th anniversary celebration were discussed, noting APNIC 62 Mumbai (Sep 3–10, 2026) coincides with DotAsia's month of incorporation in 2006.
- 6.2. AP* Meeting at APNIC 62 was suggested as a potential venue for celebrations. A concern was raised about potential time conflict with other events at APNIC. It was responded that some collaboration with APNIC had begun to mitigate against such clashes.
- 6.3. An alternative suggestion was made to consider APTLD Mongolia for celebratory event.

7. AOB

A brief note regarding the review of BGC-001: Board Governance Framework was presented. BCC members are invited to review, in particular the description on the role and responsibility of the BCC, and further discussion on the matter will be included in the agenda for the next BCC meeting.