Updates, Plans & Technical Training Activities

Brief History

- Formed in 1995

- for interests of small island countries in Pacific in telecommunications - ICT

- Membership includes Operators (PSTN, Internet (ISP), Data Networks, Mobile), Carriers, Regulators,

- Associate members - Suppliers

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Key Activities

- Represent SIDS in key issues, needs and development
- Special Interest Groups/Working Group
- Consolidation of Market
- Capacity Building: Workshops, Training
- Meetings on key issues and developments
- Technical Cooperation between members

Work on Internet

- PITANet
- Training & Exchange forum for Internet Engineers and ISP
- PacNOG (started initially with APNIC)
- Data & IP Training
- Participations in Policies, Legislations and Regulations

Workshops & Training

- Hosted by members

- Free for members

- Developed & Customised by members

- Annual Calendar but also based on needs when required

- Calendar for 2008
- Upcoming Calendar for PITA Events
- August
- **Telecom Earthing & Lightning Protection Training, Suva Fiji**
- *26-28 August 2008; Register now online*
- **APNIC 26 – PITA to participate, Christchurch, NZ**
- *25-29 August 2008*
- September
- **ITU Telecom Asia Forum 2008, Bangkok**
- *PITA to participate for workplans 2009+*
- **Outdoor Plant Training, Auckland NZ**
- *To be confirmed for September*
- **Disaster & Emergency Communication System: Launch & training**
- *To be confirmed*
- **Traffic Management Training + 1 day Meeting on Service Performances & Benchmarking**
- *To be confirmed*
- **APT 3rd Preparatory meeting for WTSA-2008, Hanoi Vietnam**
- *PITA to participate for Number Hijacking issue*
- October
- **PITA-ITU Regional HR Management & Development workshop, Samoa**
- *29Sept-2Oct 2008. Submit agenda and key topics, ongoing planning. Mark your calendar*
- **Next Generation & Future Telecoms forum, Sydney Australia:**
-         1. Conference on topical papers, issues, challenges, opportunities
-         2. Economics of NGN and Strategies for Transformation
-         3. Implementing NGN – technical options
- *Dates to be advised; Submit papers and proposals, ongoing planning*
- **Data & IP Communications Training**
- *Dates to be advised; Submit papers and proposals, ongoing planning*
- November
- **Cost & Tariffs – Telecom Economics and Tariff Setting;**
- *Dates to be advised; Sourcing, ongoing planning; submit key topics and needs*
- **Practical Broadband Engineering workshop & Training**
- *Dates to be advised; Sourcing, ongoing planning; submit key topics and needs*
- **APT General Assembly & Management Committee Meeting, Malaysia**
- *PITA to participate for workplans 2009+*
- January 2009
- **Members Meeting, Honolulu Hawaii**
- *16-17 January 2009*
- Feel free to submit topics which are of key importance to be included during any of the above events. Country Case papers are encouraged from all members.
- **PITA 13th Annual General Meeting & Tradeshow**
- For advanced planning, the dates for the PITA 13th AGM will be tentatively from 27April – 1st May 2009. A Tradeshow Exhibition is also planned with concurrent workshops on key topics Venue is being finalised and to be announced shortly.