

The APTLD Policy of Funding for APTLD Board Members to Attend Face-to-Face Board Meetings

Objective

1. This document sets out the APTLD policy for providing funding to Board members to attend the face-to-face Board meetings held in conjunction with members' meetings which are held in the Asia Pacific (AP) region.

Background

2. APTLD Board conducts meetings once every month. The meetings are mostly held via teleconference. Where the meetings fall in the month of members' meeting hosted by a member, the meetings will be held through face-to-face discussion. Under normal circumstances, APTLD organises two members' meetings in a calendar year.

3. To facilitate Board members to attend the face-to-face meetings and to promote inclusiveness of such meetings, APTLD Board will implement the following funding policy.

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The Funding Policy Implementation

4. A Board member who has financial difficulty to attend a face-to-face meeting and requires a funding to this effect may send his/her request to the Chair of the Board (and copy the request to the GM) with a clear rationale for it. The Chair may request the GM to assist in processing the request and make recommendation in evaluating the request.

5. The request for funding, if approved by the Board, should cover the costs of a reasonably priced hotel and return economy airfare and daily per diem allowance in an amount of USD50. Such expenses may also cover the expenses incurred by the Board member to attend the members' meeting which is held immediately before the Board meeting.

6. The period covered by the funding should be the minimum necessary period of attending solely both the members' meeting and the Board meeting. The funding is not available for any extended stay, either before the members' meeting or after the Board meeting, unless such a stay proves to be in connection with the official business of APTLD.

7. The funding is available only for a formal face-to-face Board meeting held in the AP region. Exceptionally, funding is also available for a formal face-to-face Board meeting which is held at a location outside but bordering the AP region, in conjunction with an ICANN meeting, and which involves marginal additional distance of air travel.”

Effective Date and Amendment

8. This funding policy shall be implemented after it has been endorsed by the APTLD Board and may be amended by the Board where necessary.