
Subject: [EC] APNIC 59 AGM: Question on NIR affiliates voting rights
Date: Saturday 5 April 2025 at 13:48:53 Australian Eastern Standard Time
From: Kenny Huang, Ph.D.
To: Rajesh Chharia, mailman_EC

Dear Rajesh,

Thank you for your comment regarding NIR members' voting rights at the recent APNIC AGM held at APNIC 59 in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia. This comment was not addressed during the meeting and the Executive Council (EC) would like to provide you with a response.

Members of an NIR do not have an APNIC EC voting entitlement as they are not directly APNIC Members and they pay no fees to APNIC.

Under APNIC rules, it is a free choice for any organisation to join an NIR in their economy, or to join APNIC. They can make this choice according to the fees and the range of services of the NIR, and their interest in voting in APNIC EC elections.

If a member of an NIR wishes to maintain their resources with their NIR, but also wishes to vote in APNIC EC elections, they have the choice to join APNIC as an Associate Member. Each APNIC Associate Member is eligible to one (1) vote. Associate Members pay an annual fee of AUD 500 per year (following an AUD 500 sign-up fee) with no resources chargeable.

This is further explained in this blog post from 2022:

<https://blog.apnic.net/2022/07/13/the-nir-structure-annual-fees-and-voting-entitlement%ef%bf%bc/>

More information on APNIC Membership tiers and voting rights is also available:

<https://www.apnic.net/about-apnic/corporate-documents/documents/membership/tiers-and-voting-rights/>

Thank you again for your continuing participation in the APNIC community. This response will be published on the APNIC website.

Kind regards,

Kenny Huang
APNIC EC Chair