

A photograph of a city skyline at dusk, featuring several tall skyscrapers with illuminated windows. The sky is a mix of blue and purple hues. The image is partially obscured by a white diagonal shape on the left and a dark blue diagonal shape on the right.

POST EVENT REPORT

NetThing 2023

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We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Introduction

NetThing is Australia's Internet Governance Forum. It was modelled on the global Internet Governance Forum (IGF), established by the UN Secretary General as a key outcome of the 2005 World Summit on the Information Society, and which has been held annually since 2006. Formally recognised by the UN IGF Secretariat as Australia's national initiative, NetThing is an annual event that brings a multidisciplinary community of stakeholders together and facilitates discussions on public policy issues pertaining to the Internet in Australia.

As an open and inclusive platform, NetThing seeks to hear from and understand diverse perspectives, form stronger cooperation and partnerships between stakeholder groups, mobilise the community to collaborate on solutions in a safe and moderated environment, and facilitate discussions and discourse.

Aims & Objectives

- » Serve as a national platform for the discussion of issues pertaining to the Internet, technology, and the exchange of information
- » Build a diverse Australian Internet community
- » Give a voice to all those who have, are, or will be impacted in the future by Internet governance and technology policy in Australia
- » Form stronger cooperation and partnerships between stakeholder groups
- » Facilitate discussions and discourse between governments, intergovernmental organisations, the private sector, the community, and civil society



NetThing 2023

In 2023 NetThing was given the opportunity to collocate with the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Governance Forum (APrIGF), providing a fantastic opportunity for stakeholders from Australia and the broader regional Internet community to form strong and enduring connections and to collaborate, share ideas, be inspired, and learn from one another.

Having weathered the storms of the Covid-19 pandemic and lockdowns, NetThing was delighted to offer a face-to-face component to the forum for the first time in three years by hosting it as a hybrid event. The fifth annual NetThing Forum took place on Monday 28 August 2023 in Brisbane and was live streamed online.

Discussions and key takeaways from NetThing 2023 highlighted the significant changes on the horizon for the Internet, emphasising the potential positive and negative implications for policy and governance. With rapid technological advancements and evolving Internet usage, a pressing concern has emerged to ensure inclusivity and prevent anyone from being left behind. The call to advocate for the responsible use of the Internet has gained momentum, urging individuals to contribute to the betterment of society through their online actions. There is also a recognised need for enhanced Internet governance, sparking debates on the merits of local versus global governance models while maintaining an overall commitment to the multistakeholder approach.

The forum shed light on the complexities and critical importance of Internet governance, particularly in the role that influential stakeholders play, the rise of artificial intelligence, and the growing challenges presented by misinformation. The interconnected nature of the Internet ecosystem means that Internet governance is integral to the future of online services, communities, and experiences.

Australia's role in this landscape was emphasised not only as a knowledge sharing entity but as a regional advocate within the Asia-Pacific. Australia has the opportunity to influence and participate in discussions and to listen to and amplify the voices of our neighbours. The active involvement of the broader Internet community is critical in shaping its future, reinforcing the notion that collective engagement is vital for effective governance.

Location

NetThing and the 2023 APrIGF were held in Brisbane, Australia at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre (BCEC). Located in the cultural and entertainment hub of Southbank, along the bank of the Brisbane River, the BCEC is a multi-award-winning venue delivering exceptional, world class experiences to a global audience.



Program

The NetThing 2023 program was developed and coordinated by the NetThing Steering Committee. The final program (Appendix A) included 29 national and international speakers across 9 sessions.

This year's theme - *Co-operation and Collaboration: Australia's commitment to supporting the future of Internet governance* - explored Australia's dedication to fostering collective efforts and partnerships in shaping the future landscape of Internet governance, emphasising collaborative approaches to address challenges and ensure a sustainable and inclusive digital future.

NetThing 2023 featured a diverse range of engaging sessions that expanded on the overall theme, delving deep into the multistakeholder model, the future of Internet governance in Australia, and what it might mean for us all.

The program explored topics such as the profound social and economic impacts of the Internet, the importance of a connected digital world and the role of the Internet in facilitating meaningful interactions, strengthening Australia's Internet resilience by drawing insights from recent international experiences, Australia's place in the evolving global Internet landscape and contemplating our path ahead, and examining the value and importance of collaborative efforts, engagement, and cooperation among stakeholders. Discussions also focused on NetThing's central role in supporting the future of Internet governance in Australia, highlighting the forum's commitment to fostering a united effort to tackle the challenges and opportunities ahead.

Program Highlights



Keynote Address

Australia's Ambassador for Cybersecurity and Critical Affairs, Brendan Dowling, delivered the opening keynote address at NetThing 2023.

Highlighting Australia's dedication to upholding the multistakeholder approach to internet governance, Mr. Dowling underscored the imperative for Australia to not just safeguard the model but also to position cybersecurity, Internet Governance, and critical technology governance at the forefront of foreign and strategic policy.

Anticipating the forthcoming cyber security strategy, Australia is poised to play a more prominent role in championing the collective interests of the region.

Fellowship Launch

The inaugural NetThing and Identity Digital's inaugural Indigenous Leaders Internet Governance and Policy Fellowship was officially launched at NetThing 2023, encouraging Indigenous Australians to become involved in internet governance, putting into practice the benefits of the multistakeholder model and exposing a wider audience to this area.

The initiative, part of a four year partnership with Identity Digital, provides selected fellows with supported travel to attend NetThing and a mentorship to assist the fellow/s before, during and after the event.

Applications for the fellowship were open to the public and well received.



After consideration from the NetThing and Identity Digital fellowship program leads, three fantastic individuals were selected to participate in NetThing 2023.

Social Function

Hosted by the Australia's Internet Governance Forum and sponsored by Verisign, the NetThing Social Function officially welcomed attendees from NetThing and the other collocating events. It provided good food, drinks, and an opportunity for attendees to network with industry colleagues and Internet governance stakeholders.



Speaker Breakdown

29

speakers at NetThing

22

in-person speakers

6

virtual speakers

1

pre-recorded address

Stakeholder Balance

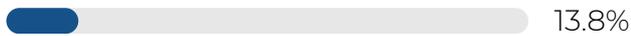
Academia



Civil Society



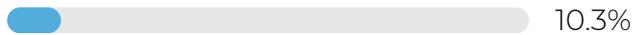
Government



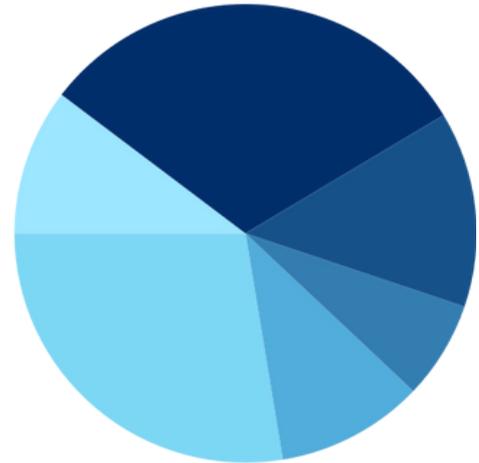
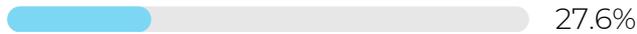
Intergovernmental Organisation



Private Sector



Technical Community



58.6% of speakers were male

41.4% were female

Breakdown of speakers by Country/Economy



SPEAKERS BY STATE/TERRITORY



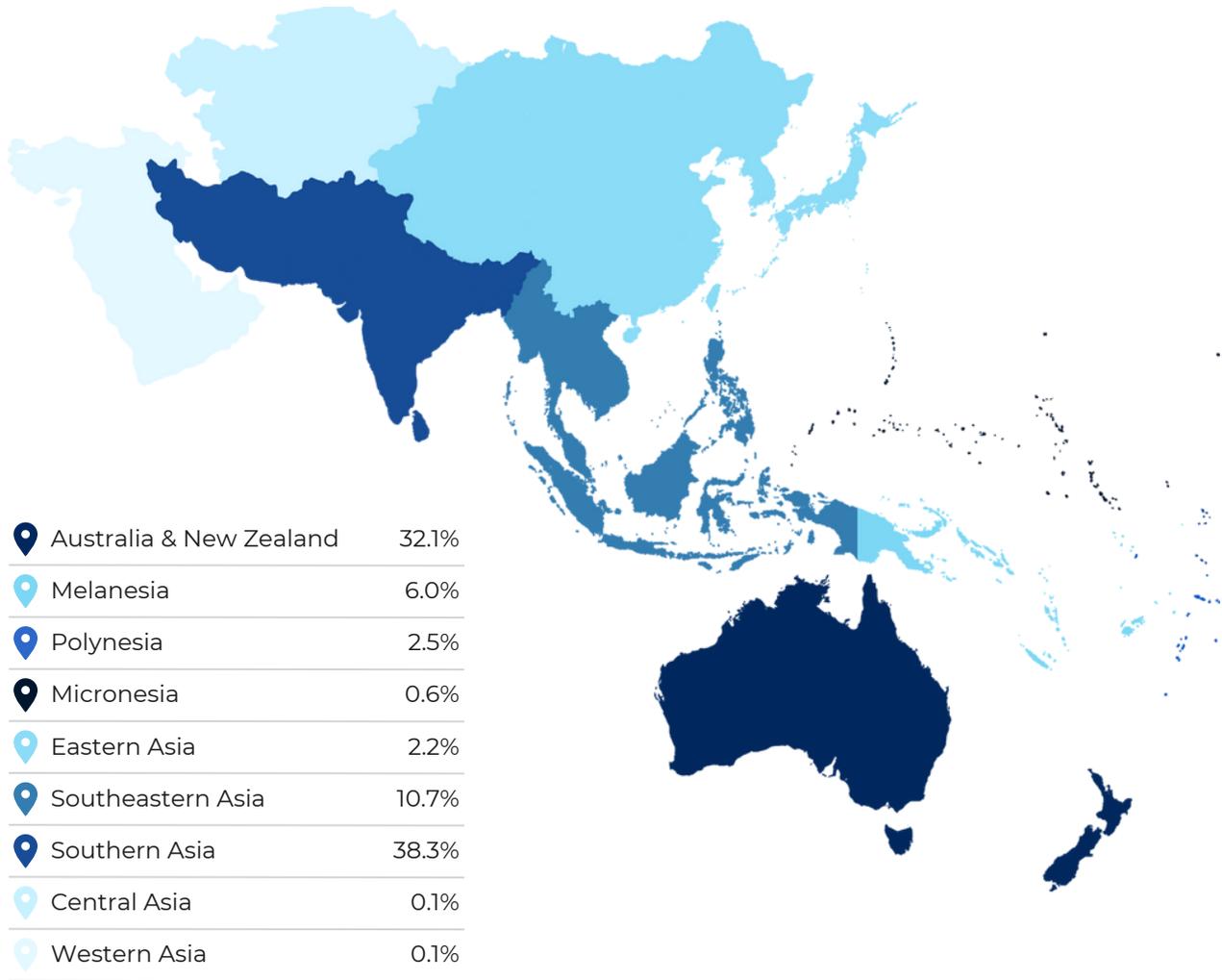
List of 2023 Speakers

- » Alexandra Caples, International Cyber Policy Centre, ASPI
- » Andrew Williams, ACCAN
- » Annaliese Williams, NetThing Chair
- » Anriette Esterhuysen, IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group
- » Aurelie Jacquet, AI governance expert
- » Brendon Dowling, Ambassador for Cyber Affairs and Critical Technology
- » Chandni Gupta, Consumer Policy Research Centre (CPRC)
- » Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Internet Australia
- » Chris Buckridge, Internet governance expert
- » Daniel Featherstone, RMIT University
- » David Masters, Atlassian
- » George Pongas, GoDaddy
- » Greg Adamson, IEEE Society on Social Implications of Technology
- » Holly Raiche, Sydney University
- » Ian Sheldon, Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
- » Johanna Weaver, Tech Policy Design Centre
- » Jordan Carter, auDA
- » Julian Thomas, RMIT University
- » Keith Besgrove, Chair auDA General Advisory Standing Committee
- » Ken Walliss, NBNCo
- » Lise Fuhr, UN Secretary-General's IGF Leadership Panel
- » The Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications
- » Pablo Hinojosa, APNIC
- » Paul Brooks, Internet Australia
- » Paul Wilson, APNIC
- » Robbie Mitchell, ISOC
- » Sandra Davey, inaugural NetThing Chair
- » Senator Jana Stewart, Senator for Victoria
- » Terry Sweetser, APNIC

Registration and Attendance

Overall, NetThing attracted more than 700 registrations from 64 countries and economies across 20 regions, 93% of which came from within the Asia-Pacific region. 29.9% of registrations were based locally within Australia. A full breakdown of economies represented at NetThing can be found in Appendix B.

Asia-Pacific Representation at NetThing 2023



786

registrations

511

virtual registrants

275

in-person registrants

Marketing and Collateral

Email Campaigns

In the lead up to NetThing 2023, 6 EDMs were distributed to the NetThing database to promote the event, sponsorship, speakers and program.

- 780+ active subscribers
- 1,962 campaign opens
- 40.4% of recipients opened a campaign at least once
- 276 clicked
- 11.2% click through rate



Program Update

Keynote and session speakers announced

NetThing is pleased to announce that the keynote speaker for NetThing 2023 will be Brendan Dowling, Australia's Ambassador for Cyber Affairs and Critical Technology. Mr Dowling will offer his views on Australia's commitment to upholding the multistakeholder model and the future of Internet governance.

Appointed as the Ambassador earlier this year, Mr Dowling leads Australia's international engagement on cyber affairs and critical technology issues including cyber capacity building, crisis response and resilience across the Asia Pacific region.

We are also excited to announce an incredible lineup of speakers. As an open and inclusive platform representing a multidisciplinary community, NetThing seeks to hear from and understand diverse perspectives and form stronger cooperation and partnerships between stakeholder groups. NetThing provides a forum to mobilise the community to collaborate on solutions in a safe and moderated environment and facilitate active discussions and discourse.

We invite you to join us for a day of engaging speakers, interactive sessions and honest conversations on the issues that impact us all.

[Register to attend NetThing 2023](#)

Explore the Program

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

BRENDAN DOWLING
Ambassador for Cyber Affairs
and Critical Technology

GoDaddy Registry



Join us in Brisbane on August 28 for NetThing 2023 - Australia's annual Internet Governance Forum

NetThing, Australia's Internet Governance Forum, brings a diverse multidisciplinary community of stakeholders together and facilitates discussions on governance and public policy issues pertaining to the Internet in Australia.

This year, NetThing will be held as a one-day hybrid event in conjunction with the Asia Pacific regional Internet Governance Forum (APriGF) on **Monday 28 August 2023** at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre.

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[REGISTER TO ATTEND NETTHING 2023](#)

Event Details

Date: Monday 28 August 2023

Time: 08:00 – 17:00 (TBC)

Location: Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre or online via live stream

Collaterals

As NetThing 2023 was held as a hybrid event with an in-person component, there were several opportunities for sponsor branding on collaterals, including attendee lanyards, notepads and the website. A large sponsor acknowledgement board was also displayed prominently at the venue.



Financial Summary

2023 was the 3rd year of NetThing receiving the essential and generous support for Secretariate and Event Management, professional services costs, from our Partner Supporter the Australian Domain Name Administration (auDA). This significant direct to provider financial support has seen not only NetThing be able to continue as an effective and wide reaching event throughout the covid years, but also to be the bedrock and foundation for this years fully hybrid event colocated with the Asia Pacific IGF (APrIGF), Pacific IGF, APAC Youth IGF, and an IGF Parliamentary Track over 5 days, in August, at Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre and online as a fully hybrid event.

Bolstering this essential support for NetThing, is of course the deeply appreciated support from several now regular sponsors who provide usually annual either 'in-kind' or financial support. For 2023 we are delighted to welcome a new major sponsor Identity Digital, who has committed to a 4 year program of event support; In addition Identity Digital kick started a new focused Indigenous Fellowship Program with their support over 4 years. This financial support is listed separately in the following graphic information as it is accounted for as a sub project or specific activity, and indeed is and will be complemented by both some sponsor income specified for use in fellowship and/or increase of stakeholder diversity support, as well as being open to future and ongoing specific sponsorship going forward to allow the growth and development of this exciting program.

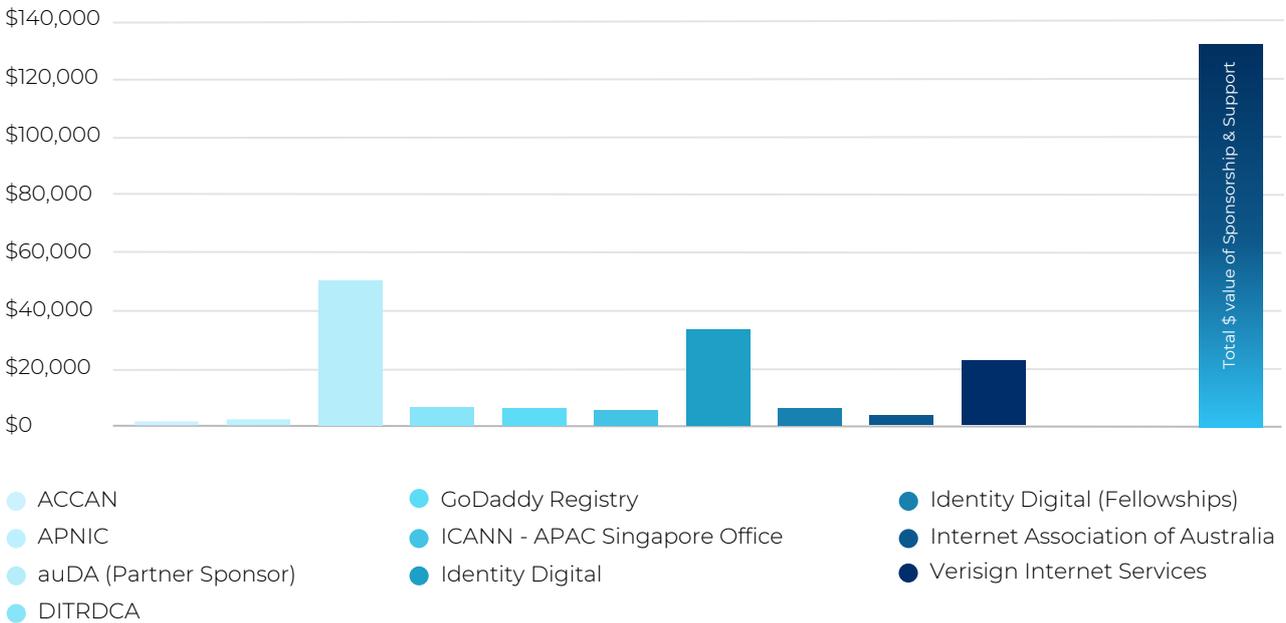
In addition this year we attracted another significant sponsorship from Verisign, this support was allocated to the vibrant, enjoyed and well received social event detailed elsewhere, all costs associated with this were covered by this most generous support and we are informed it is the intention for Verisign to continue sponsorship of NetThing in 2024.

Including the direct to provider \$50k support provision from our Event Partner auDA; total financial support for NetThing in 2023 was \$132,236.87 (AUD) and the \$82,236.87 cash to bank from 9 other sponsors allowed us to cover an expenditure, in addition to event management and secretariat support paid directly by auDA, of invoiced or charged amounts totalling \$56,431.25. The residual being held in trust for upcoming NetThing activities (and GST payment requirements) in a separate Special Project Account by the organisational home of NetThing Internet Australia, which contracts on behalf of NetThing and undertakes sponsorship agreements, receives, manages and accounts for NetThing Financials as well as provides required Insurances etc., Costs paid for insurances associated with NetThing are annual fees by calendar year and the 2023 policy was paid in the 2023 FY from funds held over for this purpose from income for the 2022 event. Invoicing for the renewal of this cover is yet to be received and will be paid from retained funds held for this purpose to cover 2024 events and activities.

The following charts are produced from both banking transaction details and account system (Xero) reports; detailed reporting can also be found within each years Annual Financial Reporting to Member conducted by Internet Australia as an Australian Not For Profit entity on a Financial Year by Year basis, these transaction will appear in the 2024 FYI reporting at the Internet Australia 2024 AGM.

Income

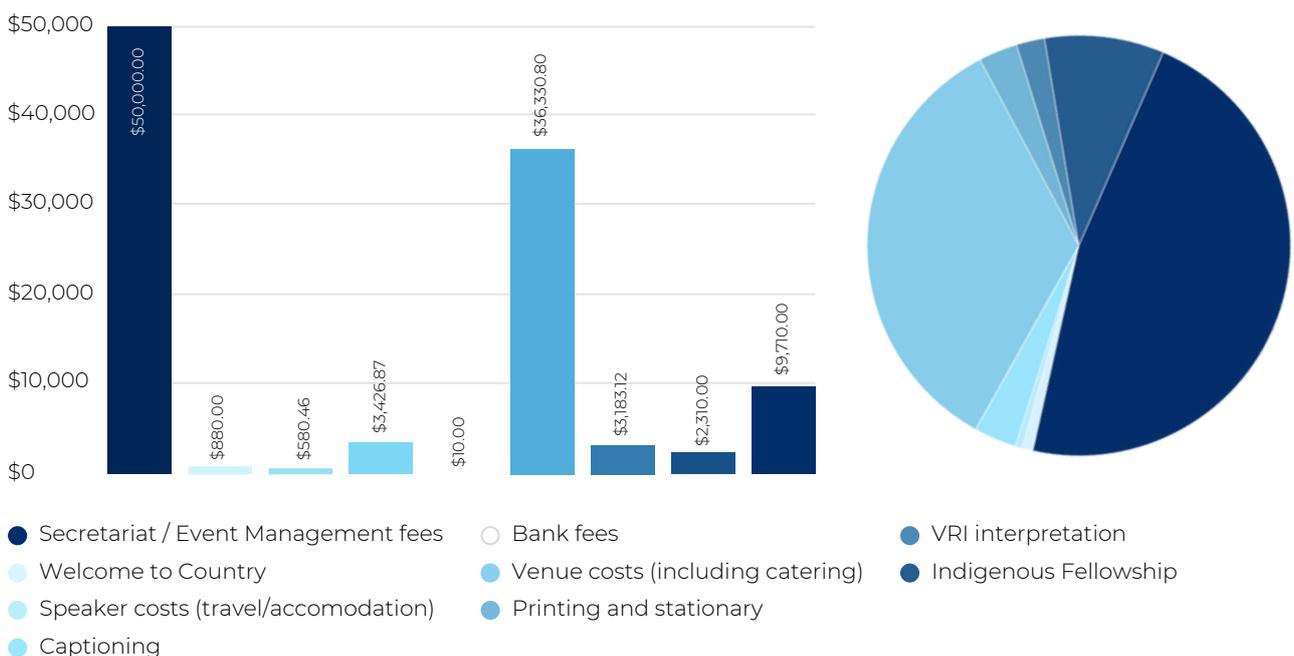
Total Sponsorship and or Support of \$132,236.87 AUD received (\$82,236.87 to Bank) for the NetThing 2023 Event:



Please note that some funding from sponsors and partners, and costs covered by in-kind agreements, may not appear in the figures presented in this report. \$50,000 in Partner Support is provided by auDA directly to the 3rd party event Management Team and Secretariat services, and is shown here for completeness. This is not listed as 'in-kind' support.

Expenditure for the NetThing 2023 Event

Distribution of expenses for NetThing 2023:



Sponsorship

Thanks to the immense efforts of the Committee, NetThing was able to secure ten sponsors and partners to support the event in 2023. Without the support of these amazing organisations (below), this event could not have been the success that it was.

This year, NetThing also entered into a four year partnership with Identity Digital to offer a fellowship program to Indigenous Australians.

Principal Sponsor



Strategic Partner



Major Sponsor



Event Sponsors



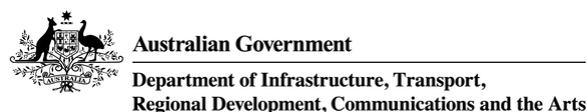
Notepad & Pens Sponsor



Keynote Sponsor



Event Sponsor



Inclusion Sponsor



Event Sponsor



Event Sponsor - NRI standards support



Event Sponsor - NRI standards support



Event Sponsor

Media Partner



Post Event Evaluation

“It went beyond my expectation.” - survey participant

“I was surprised how relevant the sessions were, and my understanding of internet governance, especially its implications for downstream service design and strategy, was developed significantly.” - survey participant

Attendee Survey

Attendees were sent a link via email to complete a post-event survey and were invited to provide their thoughts on the Forum. Commentary and data collected from attendees is a vital component in reflecting and planning for future events, and enables the Steering Committee and Secretariat to provide accurate attendee demographics for potential sponsors and a targeted approach to program development.

The survey received 38 responses from 14 countries. The majority of respondents were from Australia (16), followed by Bangladesh (4). The remaining respondents came from Bhutan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Papua New Guinea, India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. More than half of respondents were from the Not-for-profit sector (27%) or Information Technology industry (27%). Respondents also came from Academia (21.6%), Government (10.8%), Media (5.4%), Communications (2.7%), Community / Public Service (2.7%) and Infrastructure (2.7%) industries. Respondents ranged in age from 18 to 64 years old and were predominantly male (63%). 26% of respondents attended 5 or more sessions and 28.9% had previously attended NetThing. 82% stated that they would attend again in the future.

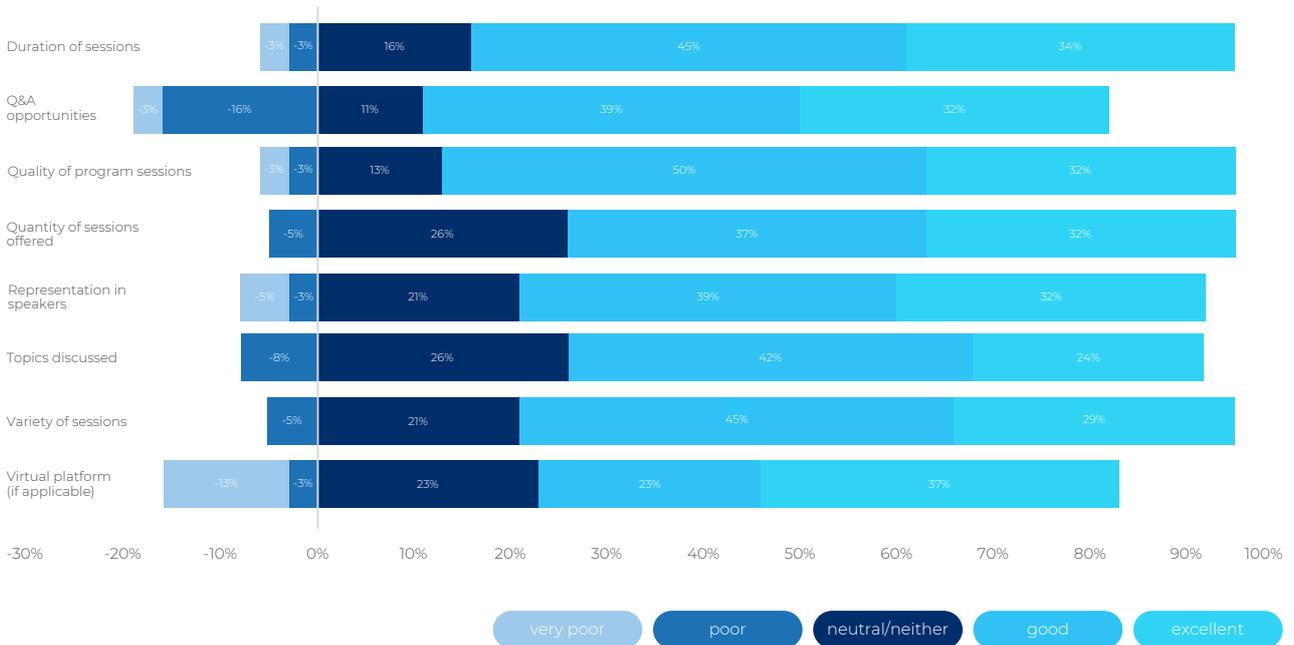
Comments from participants emphasised the importance of:

- » Collaboration
- » Balanced policies
- » Digital inclusion
- » Cybersecurity
- » Emerging technologies
- » Protecting freedoms and privacy
- » Responsible data management
- » Striving for a sustainable digital future
- » Considering global perspectives
- » Promoting digital literacy

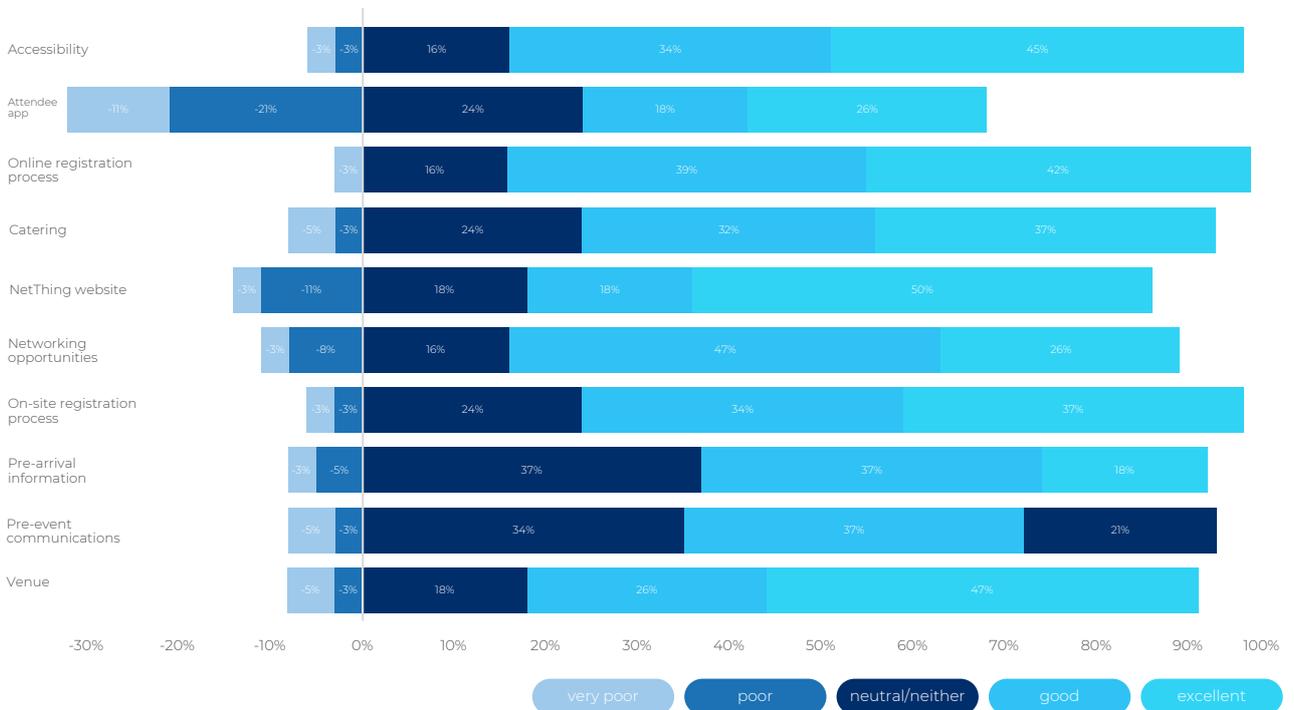
Overall, feedback relating to the event and program was generally positive and provided a good insight into the attendee experience.

- » 82% of participants would attend again in the future
- » 74.1% of respondents who attended online stated they were either satisfied or very satisfied with the experience
- » 87% of survey participants stated that the event met their expectations

Respondents were asked to rate certain aspects of the program from on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 meant very poor and 5 meant excellent.



Respondents were also asked to rate various aspects of the event:



Committee Debrief

A post-event debrief was held during the first monthly Committee Meeting post NetThing 2023 on 20 September 2023. This debrief allowed for the Committee to provide constructive feedback and brainstorm how the event could be improved in the future.

Prior to this meeting, Committee Members were asked to complete a post event feedback form. Responses were then collated by the Secretariat and provided during the meeting for further discussion. A summary is provided below.

Key Takeaways

- » The level of ongoing support provided by auDA, government, consulting team and from sponsors was outstanding
- » Having female MCs sent a positive message that should be continued in the future
- » There was a disconnect between the event in person and online. Engagement with online participants needs to be ramped up in the future
- » The Q&A component of the event needed some work
- » The venue chosen was excellent
- » The program was a little stale, with a lack of diverse industry/stakeholder representation

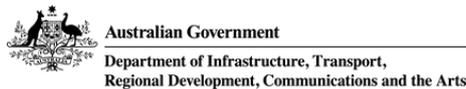
Considerations for NetThing 2024

- » Improve social media promotion prior to the event
- » A focused approach to fine tuning the hybrid model to provide an improve virtual attendee experience with more online engagement
- » Build on what was done with the interactive booth during breaks
- » Develop a manual outlining clear timeframes and processes for the committee
- » Develop a one-page standardised terms of support for speakers, outlining what would be covered in terms of travel arrangements and speaker fees
- » Get some new voices on the committee. Increase efforts to recruit new members and make it clear how they can get involved
- » Improve the registration process for future events, thinking about what should be asked of participants and how to appropriately capture data for post event analysis
- » More effort needs to be made in the future regarding data collection
- » More youth representation and engagement at future NetThing events

Thank You

NetThing 2022 would not have been possible without the generous support of our partners and sponsors, whose contributions have helped bring our vision into reality – to create an open and inclusive platform that brings an often divided, multidisciplinary community together for the discussion of policy issues and the Internet in Australia.

As we continue to grow and plan for the future, the partnerships we cultivate with sponsors is vital to NetThing's success and continued existence within the internet governance sphere. As an organisation we rely heavily on the financial contributions of our sponsors, and we hope to continue to gain the trust and support of our wide community.



We would also like to extend a special thank you to our 2022 Steering Committee and Secretariat for their continued commitment to NetThing. As a self-organised and volunteer-led organisation, NetThing and the annual Forum could not happen without the support of passionate individuals from across the Internet community and beyond it.

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| » Annaliese Williams, Chair | » Keith Besgrove |
| » Greta Adamo | » Terry Sweetser |
| » Bronwyn Mercer | » Cheryl Langdon-Orr |
| » Caroline Greenway | » Melody Bendindang |
| » George Pongas | » Pablo Hinojosa |
| » Holly Raiche | » Patrick Donaldson |
| » Ian Sheldon | » Sandra Davey |
| » Veronica Deutrom | » Save Vocea |
| » Joyce Chen | » Sophia Joo |

The NetThing Steering Committee is supported by The Gap Consultancy, who provide administrative and event support and act as Secretariat, funded by auDA.

- » Angela Maguire - Secretariat
- » Mikayla Kennedy - Secretariat

Appendices

Appendix A. NetThing 2023 Program

Appendix B. Regional demographic breakdown of registrations

Appendix A - NetThing 2023 Program

NETTHING2023

Australian Internet Governance Forum

28 AUGUST 2023 - BRISBANE (HYBRID)

Co-operation and Collaboration: Australia's commitment to supporting the future of Internet governance

8:00 am - 9:00 am	REGISTRATION	
9:00 am - 9:10 am	Welcome from the NetThing Chair, Annaliese Williams	
9:10 am - 9:15 am	Ministerial Address (pre-recorded) The Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications	
9:15 am - 9:30 am	Keynote Address Brendon Dowling, Ambassador for Cyber Affairs and Critical Technology	
9:30 am - 9:45 am	NetThing and Identity Digital Indigenous Leaders Internet Governance and Policy Fellowship launch Senator Jana Stewart, Senator for Victoria	
9:45 am - 10:30 am	Forging our Future Moderator: Dr Alexandra Caples, Director, International Cyber Policy Centre, ASPI Professor Johanna Weaver, Director, ANU Tech Policy Design Centre	Aurelie Jacquet, AI governance expert David Masters, Head of Global Policy, Atlassian Brendon Dowling, Ambassador for Cyber Affairs and Critical Technology
10:30 am - 11:00 am	MORNING TEA BREAK DTIRDCA Internet governance mapping project	
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Examining the social and economic value of the Internet Moderator: Keith Besgrove, Chair auDA General Advisory Standing Committee Professor Julian Thomas, Director, ARC Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society Dr Greg Adamson, Technical Activities Vice-President, IEEE Society on Social Implications of Technology	Ken Walliss, Executive General Manager Products, NBNCo Chandni Gupta, Deputy CEO, The CPRC
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Meaningful Connectivity Moderator: Holly Raiche, Policy Chair, Internet Australia Daniel Featherstone, Senior Research Fellow, RMIT	Andrew Williams, CEO, ACCAN Dr Paul Brooks, Director, Internet Australia
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK DTIRDCA Internet governance mapping project	
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Australia's Internet Resilience Extends Beyond Its Borders Moderator: George Pongas, Senior Director, International Registry Policy, GoDaddy Terry Sweetsier, Training Delivery Manager, APNIC	Robbie Mitchell, Senior Communication and Technical Advisor, ISOC
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	AFTERNOON TEA BREAK DTIRDCA Internet governance mapping project	
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Multistakeholder governance for the future – where next and how to get there Moderator: Pablo Hinojosa, Director, Strategic Engagement, APNIC Anriette Esterhuysen, Internet governance expert and former Chair, IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group Chris Buckridge, Internet governance expert	Jordan Carter, Internet Governance & Policy Director, auDA Lise Fuhr, UN Secretary-General's IGF Leadership Panel
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Co-operation and Collaboration: NetThing and our opportunity to support the future of Internet governance Moderator: Annaliese Williams, NetThing Chair Sandra Davey, auDA Board Member Ian Sheldon, Director, Internet Governance, DITRDCA	Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Internet Australia Paul Wilson, Director General, APNIC
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	DRINKS RECEPTION & APRIGF OPENING	

Please note this program is subject to change



PRINCIPAL SPONSOR



SOCIAL FUNCTION SPONSOR



KEYNOTE SPONSOR

Appendix B - Regional demographic breakdown of registrations

Table 1. Breakdown of registrations by subregion and country/economy

Region	Country/Economy	Number	Percentage (%)
Australia and New Zealand		252	32.1
	Australia	235	29.9
	New Zealand	17	2.2
Melanesia		47	6.0
	Fiji	13	1.7
	Papua New Guinea	15	1.9%
	Solomon Islands	11	1.4%
	Vanuatu	8	1.0%
Micronesia		5	0.6%
	Kiribati	3	0.4%
	Micronesia (the Federated States of)	1	0.1%
	Palau	1	0.1%
Polynesia		20	2.5%
	Samoa	12	1.5%
	Tonga	6	0.8%
	Tuvalu	2	0.3%
Eastern Asia		17	2.2%
	China	1	0.1%
	Hong Kong	1	0.1%
	Japan	5	0.6%
	Mongolia	3	0.4%
	South Korea	2	0.3%
	Taiwan	5	0.6%
South-eastern Asia		84	10.7%
	Cambodia	12	1.5%
	Indonesia	28	3.6%
	Lao People's Democratic Republic	1	0.1%
	Malaysia	3	0.4%
	Myanmar	3	0.4%
	Philippines	15	1.9%
	Singapore	12	1.5%

	Thailand	6	0.8%
	Timor-Leste	1	0.1%
	Vietnam	3	0.4%
Southern Asia		301	38.3%
	Afghanistan	4	0.5%
	Bangladesh	29	3.7%
	Bhutan	1	0.1%
	India	115	14.6%
	Iran	2	0.3%
	Nepal	30	3.8%
	Pakistan	32	4.1%
	Sri Lanka	88	11.2%
Western Asia		1	0.1%
	Azerbaijan	1	0.1%
Central Asia		1	0.1%
	Tajikistan	1	0.1%
Eastern Europe		3	0.4%
	Poland	1	0.1%
	Russian Federation	1	0.1%
	Ukraine	1	0.1%
Northern Europe		4	0.5%
	United Kingdom	4	0.5%
Western Europe		7	0.9%
	Belgium	2	0.3%
	Germany	1	0.1%
	Netherlands	1	0.1%
	Switzerland	3	0.4%
Southern Europe		1	0.1%
	Andorra	1	0.1%
North America		10	1.3%
	United States	10	1.3%
Central America		1	0.1%
	Mexico	1	0.1%
South America		3	0.4%
	Argentina	1	0.1%

	Colombia	1	0.1%
	Guyana	1	0.1%
Eastern Africa		2	0.3%
	Mauritius	1	0.1%
	Uganda	1	0.1%
Southern Africa		9	1.1%
	Botswana	3	0.4%
	Lesotho	1	0.1%
	Namibia	1	0.1%
	South Africa	3	0.4%
	Swaziland	1	0.1%
Western Africa		11	1.4%
	Burkina Faso	1	0.1%
	Ghana	7	0.9%
	Sierra Leone	2	0.3%
	Togo	1	0.1%
Middle Africa		7	0.9%
	Congo (the Democratic Republic of the)	7	0.9%

Notes: the numbers and percentages presented in the above table are based on the countries and economies submitted by registrants themselves during the registration process. Countries, territories and economies mentioned within the report body and the table above have been divided into regional and subregional groups using the United Nations geoscheme, devised by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD).