

APRICOT2025 Fellowship Experience Report

As the only one from my economic that chosen to be fellow of APRICOT 2025, I'm so grateful. Alhamdulillah, the greatest thanks to Allah SWT, thanks to my family and colleagues. Below I will share my experience in APRICOT 2025.

Masterclass BGP Advanced Workshop

3 days workshop about BGP was really expensive experience that maybe will not be twice moment. Learning directly from the expert in BGP like Aftab Siddiqui, Phil Mawson, Tashi Phuntsho and Mark Duffell was a very rare and awesome. Even my daily work in bgp, I got many insight from their experience that sharing to me. The Lab was fully driven me to push my skill limit to another level, because the trainer just give us the little hint, and we must the answer for the configuration for ourself, but off course they will teach us if we ask them. And if i or someone has done with the lab early, I must teach to the other participant that have problem with their configuration. I happy to share my knowledge and experience to my friend how to complete the task in the lab. And in the final day of workshop there is a quiz to test or refresh our understanding, and for the 1st to 3rd winner will receive gift, but unfortunately I finished at the 6th place in the quiz. 😊

Fellow Skill Workshop

This class is something new for me, I learned a lot how to public speaking and how to be a leader in community. The class also so much fun & many excited moment, we practice one by one in front of class to public speaking. And we (team) trained how to present a proposal and tried to defend our proposal, answer all question that come from the forum. This workshop is really needed by the engineer, because engineer must have experienced to do this (public speaking), to contribute to the community their must have courage to express their disagree about new policy or proposal. Thank you very much to William Stockbridge, Terry Sweetser and Robbie Mitchell for sharing to us their knowledge & experience.

Conference Week

3 days conference many a lot of moment. I met new friends from various economic, I tried to networking with them, because in BGP we must reach Established state before we exchange packet, right? 😊 . I also has meeting with a few person for some business talk, even I just open 6 time slot but so many meeting request come to me, so I must reject some of their request. I attended some session about Network Operation, Optics, Networks Management & Monitoring, there are many insight and new knowledge that I received from attending that session. I also attending APNIC Global Reports & APNIC NIR SIG because I want to know about the updates from Internet community outside my NIR (IDNIC). And the precious moment when I attending the APRICOT Peering Forum, because I selected to present the Peering Personal, even just 60 second that give to me to present Peering Personal, that be my 2nd experience doing peering personal (1st time at Peering Asia 6.0), Peering Personal is my objective to train to public speaking. In closing plenary there are announce about the next APRICOT, as an

Indonesian I'm very proud that Jakarta will host for APRICOT 2026, we welcome to all and looking forward to the next APRICOT.

Social Night

There are 3 socials, but I only attended the closing social, because unfortunately the 2 other social I didn't have the ticket to get there. But in the closing social there are many unforgettable moment, more networking, more food, more drink, many people including me enjoy the social, the view from skybar was beautiful, the food was delicious and the music was great. After long week of APRICOT, many people sing & dance at that night to relieve fatigue.

And big Thank you to Fellowship Committee for providing this invaluable opportunity, and thanks to John Rattray for taking us the fellows through this amazing week. I hope my experience that I received from this event can contribute to my organization and community in future. Hopefully more fellow was selected from my economic in future APRICOT/APNIC event, and hopefully also in next year APRICOT still has Fellow from my economic even Jakarta will be the host. 😊

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