

# South Asian Network Operators Group (SANOG)

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# South Asia ..



- Afghanistan
- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- India
- Maldives
- Nepal
- Pakistan
- Sri Lanka

# What is SANOG

- SANOG is South Asian Network Operators Group
  - Similar to NANOG in North America, RIPE meetings in Europe, AFNOG in Africa, and APRICOT in the broader Asia Pacific Region
- It's based on the non-commercial agenda of sharing of networking and operational experiences within and with the rest of the world.

# Why

- The presence of people from the South Asian region at the other international forums is poor
  - Cost, culture, distance and level of discussions are all factors
- The people networking within the region was non-existent
- The only few who did get a chance to be at APRICOT/NANOG etc, couldn't share the knowledge because of lack of a local forum.

# So, we setup SANOG

- SANOG was setup as a smaller version of APRICOT
  - Workshops, tutorials, Conference
  - Close co-operation with APNIC
  - Co-operation with most of APRICOT instructors
- Main aim was to foster people networking and operational best practices in the region
- Get engineering folks to talk tech and provide them a forum

# When

- OPEN Meeting
  - Everyone is welcome to participate
  - Typical meeting have people from the region, plus a wide range of participants from all over the world
- It's hosted in the SA region.
  - Twice a year, in Northern summer and winter

# SANOG History

- SANOG I : 22-28 January, 2003, Kathmandu, Nepal
  - Fairly Small, co-located, no workshops, 110+
- SANOG II : 20-27 July 2003, Colombo Sri Lanka
  - Co-located, with 2 workshops, small conference, 110+
- SANOG III: 15-22 January, 2004, Bangalore, India
  - Co-located with v6 summit, good overall feedback, ISOC Support for fellowship. 150+
- SANOG IV : 23- 30 July, 2004, Kathmandu, Nepal
  - Independent event, 3 workshops, NSRC collaboration, MoU with APNIC, APIA, new website, More committees, 150+

# SANOG History

- SANOG V : 6-13 February, 2005, Dhaka, Bangladesh
  - Very well attended despite ongoing uncertainty due to tsunami, SAARC summit, political changes in Nepal etc..  
160+
- SANOG VI : 16-23 July, 2005, Thimphu, Bhutan
  - First such large event in Bhutan, large local participation, much higher quality conference program, 140+
- SANOG VII 16-24 January, 2006, Mumbai, India
  - Hosted by ISP Association of India, support from NIXI, and GoI. 220+ participants

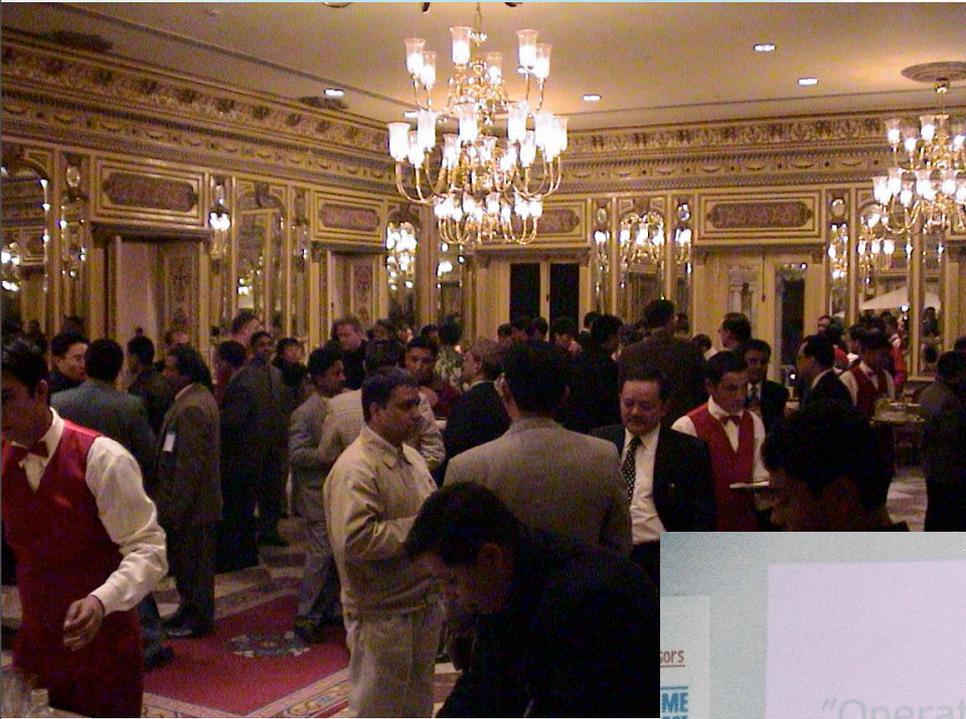
# SANOG datelines

- SANOG VIII : 27 July - 4 August, 2006, Karachi, Pakistan
  - First ever Ops meeting in Pakistan. Spins off NSP events. IPv6 test bed launched & succeeded). 180+
- SANOG IX : 14-24 January 2007, Colombo, Sri Lanka
  - 4 workshops due to student overflow. 2 days holiday experiment in between. Hosted by Sri Lanka Telecom. 200+
- SANOG X / APNIC 24 : 29 August 2007 to 7 September 2007, New Delhi, India
  - ISPAI hosted the combined SANOG with APNIC meeting. Biggest SANOG so far (~ 300 participants)
- SANOG XI : 16-24 January, 2008, Dhaka, Bangladesh
  - New metro Ethernet/MPLS workshop ~200 participants

# SANOG XII

- 6-14 August, 2008, Kathmandu, Nepal
- Hosted by Nepal Internet Exchange (NPIX), with NREN, ISPAN and others.
- Side meetings of R&E Networks in the region
- [www.sanog.org/sanog12/](http://www.sanog.org/sanog12/)

# SANOG I



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# SANOG II



3, AFNOG, Rabat Morocco

# SANOG III



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- SANOG IV

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# SANOG V



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3 June 2008, AFNOG, Rabat Morocco

# SANOG VI



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**SANOG 6 South Asian Network Operators Group Meeting**  
18-23 July 2005 - THIMPHU, BHUTAN

16 - 23 July 2005 Thimphu, Bhutan

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# SANOG VII



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# SANOG VIII







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 29th August - 7th September 2007  
 New Delhi - INDIA

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# Structure

- Core committee
  - Programme Committee
  - Fellowship Committee
- Advisory Council
- Meeting is 9 days
  - 3 parallel 5 days workshops
  - 3 parallel tracks 2 days of tutorial
  - Single track 1.5 to 2 days conference

# Collaborations

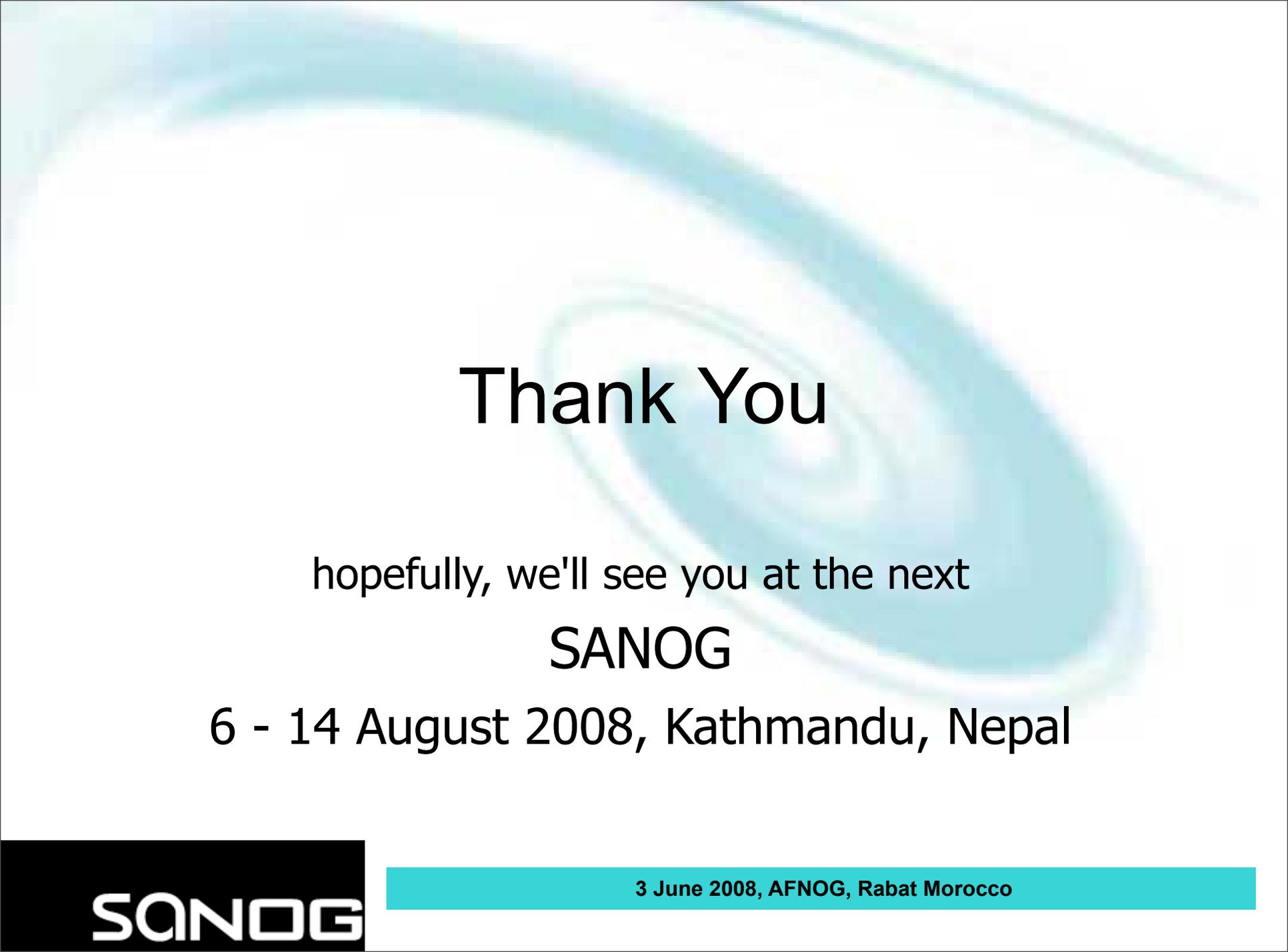
- Signed MoU with APNIC during APNIC 16 for co-operation
- Co-operation with ISOC and NSRC since SANOG III.
- ISOC funding has been critical for fellowship program
- ISC, APIA, NetNod, PCH, IPJ, npIX, ISPAI, ISPAN, BDIX, NSP
- The community of folks in the region

# Financially

- We have sponsors
  - Local sponsors generally provide services and support
  - Major international commercial sponsors provide cash and other resources
  - ISOC sponsors the Fellowship Program
  - Few sponsors like Netnod, ISC, PCH, NPIX help to keep SANOG going by providing ongoing support
  - APNIC provides both cash and resources and has very strongly supported SANOG from the beginning

# Future SANOGs

- SANOG XIII
  - 15-22 January 2009, Lahore, Pakistan
- SANOG XIV
  - July/August 2009, South India
- SANOG XV
  - January 2010, Colombo, Sri Lanka



# Thank You

hopefully, we'll see you at the next

**SANOG**

6 - 14 August 2008, Kathmandu, Nepal