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ffice of the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (Office of the NBTC) in collaboration with the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT) and the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society (MDES) hosted "The 4th Meeting of the APT Preparatory Group for PP-22 (APT PP22-4)' taking place on 1-5 August 2022, at Sofitel Bangkok Sukhumvit.

The meeting's opening remarks were made by Professor (Clinical) Sarana Boonbaichaiyapruck, Chairman of the NBTC, with keynote addresses by Mr. Masanori Kondo, APT Secretary General, Mr. Mario Maniewicz, Director of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), and Ms. Caroline Greenway, Chairman of the APT's preparatory meeting for the PP-22 conference.

The 4th Meeting of the APT Preparatory Group for PP-22 (APT PP22-4) continued discussions of issues addressed by APT member countries in the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2022 (PP-22). That meeting was scheduled to consider drafts of relevant papers, review outcomes of meetings, screen candidates to take the posts of Office Bearers in the Asia and Pacific region, and develop Preliminary APT Common Proposals for

PP-22, taking place during 26 September to 14 October 2022 in Bucharest, Romania.

Delegates joining APT PP22-4 represented countries in the Asia-Pacific region, including the Kingdom of Thailand whose head of delegation, Mr. Notachard Chintakanond, Executive Director of the International Affairs Bureau at the Office of the NBTC, supported proposals by APT members for the promotion of digital development. Other countries represented at APT PP22-4 include the Kingdom of Cambodia, Republic of Korea, People's Republic of China, Japan, Independent State of Samoa, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Independent State of Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Philippines, Kingdom of Bhutan, Republic of Maldives, Malaysia, Mongolia, Republic of the Union of Myanmar, New Zealand, Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, The Lao People's Democratic Republic, Socialist Republic of Vietnam, Republic of Singapore, Commonwealth of Australia, Islamic Republic of Iran, and Republic of Indonesia. Other attendees included Affiliate Members and representatives from international organisations such as the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), CEPT and RCC. Altogether 255 people were

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