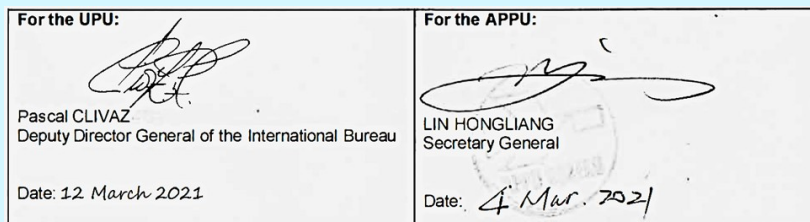




UPU and APPU Cooperation Agreement Extension

A Cooperation Agreement between the Universal Postal Union (UPU) and the Asian-Pacific Postal Union (APPU) was signed on 19 June 2017.

Due to the postponement of the 27th UPU Postal Congress from 2020 to 2021, UPU and APPU have signed an extended agreement recently with retroactive effect to 19 June 2017 and shall remain in effect until 31 December 2021.



Upcoming APPC IOTP Workshops

APPC is organizing 7 IOTP workshops which are supported by UPU in the second and third quarter of 2021.

They are as follow:

E-commerce Fuel and Business Planning Workshop	31 May to 4 Jun 2021
Driving Digital Strategy Workshop	5 to 9 July 2021
International Financial Services and Financial Inclusion	5 to 9 July 2021
Corporate Level E-commerce Strategy Workshop	23 to 27 August 2021
Leadership and Innovation Management	23 to 27 August 2021
Practical E-Commerce Management Workshop	30 Aug to 3 Sep 2021
Operations Management Workshop	30 Aug to 3 Sep 2021



Upcoming APPC Courses

The training courses for April to June 2021 are:

Transformation of Postal Organization (TPO)	26 Apr – 7 May 2021
Strategy Formulation & Execution (SFE)	26 Apr – 7 May 2021
Postal Business Development (PBD)	24 May – 11 Jun 2021
e-Commerce Solutions and Supply Chain Management (ESC)	24 May – 11 Jun 2021





Update of 27th Universal Postal Congress



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the UPU's Exceptional CA has agreed to postpone its 27th Universal Postal Congress. The event will now be held from 9 to 27 August 2021 in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

The CA also agreed to review the progress of the Congress in their forthcoming meetings on 26 to 30 April 2021. If CA by 30 June 2021 concludes the event cannot be held in Abidjan due to Covid-19 restrictions then it will be moved to Switzerland.

For update and further information, you may access the following link.

<https://www.upu.int/en/Universal-Postal-Union/About-UPU/Bodies/Congress>

New financial services software invites Posts to join UPU in the cloud



UPU's financial services software will convert to an entirely cloud-based solution and will no longer be available for Posts as an in-house operation. The cloud-based solution would improve the quality of service.

The cloud-based system means Posts no longer need to keep and maintain equipment. Authorized users just need to enroll their chosen hardware - a mobile device, tablet, or computer to access the network.

Additionally, cloud users will soon have fewer delays related to transfers of funds. The current system is based on a file-sharing system, or FTP, which can result in delays for the receiving Post, depending on when it accesses the network to receive files.

Please refer to the following URL link to find out more.

<https://www.upu.int/en/News/2020/10/New-financial-services-software-invites-Posts-to-join-UPU-in-the-cloud>