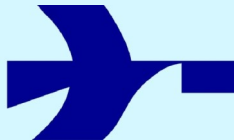## 13th APPU Congress, 60th APPU anniversary & 9th APPU Postal Business Forum
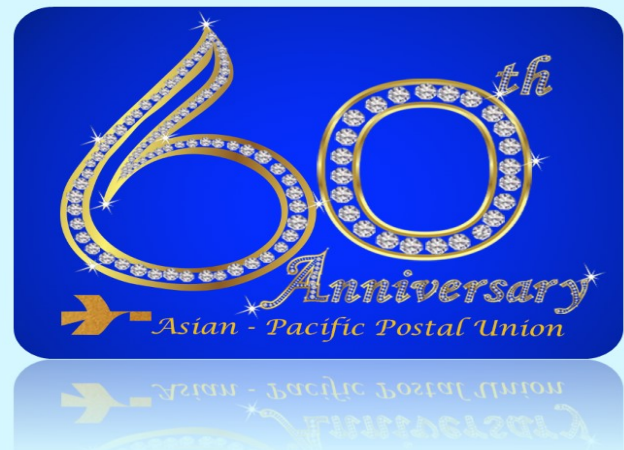
The 13th APPU Congress will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from 29 August to 2 September 2022 at Shangri-la Bangkok Hotel. The Congress meeting will be conducted physically with the possibility of remote participation.

The official APPU Congress website is

https://appucongress2022.th.post

Immediately after the closing of the 13th APPU Congress, APPU is celebrating a milestone in APPU history - its 60th Anniversary physically on 2 September 2022 afternoon at Shangri-la Bangkok Hotel.

The 9th APPU Postal Business Forum will be held physically at APPC, Bangkok from 4 – 6 September 2022.

For information, entry measures into Thailand by Air travel from 1 July 2022.

- *More entry measures have been lifted.*

- *Thailand Pass registration is NOT required.*

  (There would be randomly checked for vaccination certificates / test results.)

- *Certificate of vaccination (at least 2 doses = fully vaccinated).*

  In case of unvaccinated / not fully vaccinated, RT-PCR / Professional ATK COVID-19 test results were issued within72 hours before departure.

- *Travellers are encouraged to have health insurance.*

  (Recommended coverage is US$ 10,000)

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UPU EAD App makes postal data exchange easy, secure & affordable

One of the latest technologies developed by the UPU PTC is the EAD Customs Declaration App, which is available through the Apple and Google Play stores and provides postal customers and MSMEs an easy means to input any Customs information related to their postal item before sending. This then helps ensure the Post can capture all required data to ensure timely customs clearance.

The process is simple: when the customer hands over the mail item to the Post of origin, the Post can call the draft directly from the CDS database, or scan the QR code on the mobile device of the sender, and retrieve all information for validation before sending.

The benefits of using the App are evident across the supply chain. Having an application right in the palm of their hand saves the customer precious time when depositing their item at the post office. The sending Post also minimizes time spent with each customer to key in the necessary data. As a result, Customs receives good quality data monitored and validated within the App itself.

In addition to this, it also ensures that data is safeguarded through the PTC's secured Post*Net network. With the EAD App, Posts and their customers can be sure that their personal data is protected from end-to-end.

These benefits were recently recognized by the World Summit on the Information Society, which awarded the App as a champion project during its 2022 conference in Geneva.

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

https://www.upu.int/en/Blogs/UPU-EAD-App-makes-postal-data-exchange-easy,-secure-affordable

Upcoming APPC Courses

The training courses for July 2022 are:

E-Business and Technology (EBT)	13 Jun – 1 July 2022
Digital Financial Services (DFS)	13 Jun – 1 July 2022

APPU Bureau is pleased to announce that APPC is resuming the physical training at APPC from September 2022.

The first two physical courses scheduled are:

Marketing and Innovation for Posts (MIP)	19 Sep – 14 Oct 2022
Postal Management (PMC)	19 Sep – 21 Oct 2022