

#### **ITS AP MOU REVISION 2005**

# Changes to ITS AP MOU

- Overdue
- Too simplistic to add changes
- Addenda complicated the document
- Does not represent the current structure
- Make the document easier to understand
- Clears historical legacy issues
- Ensures accountability of leadership by BOD versus observers or Honorary Members

# Changes to ITS AP MOU

- Current MOU served a valuable role
- Changes were required to facilitate acknowledgement of new General Assembly



# Changes to ITS AP MOU

- To ensure timely operation of meetings
- To ensure clear accountability for secretariat, finances, program
- To provide structure to voting
- To provide structure to core BOD activity versus General Assembly



### Structure

- ITS Asia-Pacific consists of the
  - General Assembly,
  - Asia-Pacific Board of Directors and
  - Committees



## **General Assembly**

- Represents interest of the region
- Every country can join
- Must be voted in by the BOD
- 2 persons from each country



### **Board of Directors**

- Primary decision-making body of the ITS Asia-Pacific Memorandum of Understanding
- 6 members



### Board of Directors — Structure

- The Chair
  - From host region of next ITSAP forum
  - Must be accepted by the BOD
- Vice Chair
  - 1 to 3 permitted
- 6 Elected members serving a 2 year term
- Honorary Members (non voting)



## Role in the World Congress on ITS

- ERTICO, ITS Japan and ITS America are signatories to a Framework Agreement to co-operate in hosting an annual World Congress on ITS.
- ITS Japan considers recommendation of ITSAP BOD for host city, but has final veto rights
- ITSAP BOD recommends members for ITSWC BOD membership

### For vote

 The Chair asks for a member to move that changes to the MOU as developed from feedback from BOD be accepted.



#### Other issues

- APEC define the Asia-Pacific region as including the USA and Russia
- The BOD must affirm the boundary of ITSAP
- 'Asia-Pacific' is an imprecise term which refers to nations from BOTH 'Asia' AND 'Oceania'
- 'OCEANIA' means Continent Australia together with islands in the Pacific eg New Zealand.
- In general use of the term 'Asia-Pacific' refers to East Asia, South-east Asia, South Asia PLUS Oceania (Central Asia are sometimes excluded).
- 'Asia-Pacific' usually does NOT include Central / West Asia (Middle East) and North Asia (Russia's Asia).



#### Asia Pacific Reference

 That the BOD support the definition of AP to mean Asia & Oceania and that this be noted in the minutes

