



ITS Asia-Pacific Board of Directors Meeting

Venue: 101 + 102, Suwon Convention Center, Korea

Date and Time: 13:00-15:55 May 27, 2025

Draft Minutes

Chaired by Sue Park, ITS Korea

Hosted by ITS Korea

1. Establishment of the AP-BOD meeting

Chair Sue Park welcomed the participants.

The host welcomed everyone:

Cheong-Hoe Heo, the Chair of ITS Korea,
Kyu Don Hwang, Suwon city, and
Hanjoon Kwon, APF Suwon Organizing Committee

With the attendance of 11 APBOD members and the substitutes, the meeting was established.

2. Confirmation of Minutes of the last AP-BOD meetings

Draft minutes of the last meeting (September 15, 2024, In-person) were approved.

3. Confirmation of the Agenda

The agenda was confirmed.

4. AP Forum2027 Host City selection

The 1st presentation: Auckland by Armin Guttke and Dawn Bennet / ITS New Zealand

The 2nd presentation: Singapore by Howie Lim, Lam Wee Shann, Sook Kwan Wong / ITS Singapore

After the presentations, a vote was taken by ITSAP BOD members.

The vote result: Auckland 6 / Singapore 5

With a majority support, Auckland was acknowledged as the host city of the 21st ITSAP Forum 2027.

5. ITS Asia-Pacific: Activities / budget report of ITS AP for FY2024

AP Secretariat, Takaaki Segi firstly noted about the decreased revenue of the FY2023 revenue. This is because 6% tax was applied to the original commission amount by the Suzhou City Government of the host city of 2023WC.

Reflecting the above amendment, he made the FY2024 report and it was approved.

6. ITS Asia-Pacific: Activities/budget plan of ITS AP for FY2025

Takaaki Segi explained about the FY2025 activity and budget plan and it was approved.

Break 10 minutes

7. The presentation by ITS India Forum

Akhilesh Srivastava reported the activities of ITS India to now.



Dean Zabrieszach expressed the concern on why the organization had just 34 members despite that they said having the huge network and asked about the plan for expanding the membership. → Akhilesh answered the organization was just born and would have 5-6 big players in 3 months and more than 100 industry members next year.

Armin Gurtke asked about the activities for the next generation leaders. → Akhilesh responded that ITS India was promoting the dialogues with the major societies and universities students in India to create young professional leaders and supporting the innovators and start-ups to publish their report and demonstrate their technologies.

<Open Discussion>

Secretary-General, Akio Yamamoto stated that Yamamoto and Barada joined the Traffic India Expo event last year which was well attended, and they visited their office in Delhi as well. ITS India seemed to have the close relationship with the India government, and issued a very detailed annual report. He said ITS India Forum changed the organization name to ITS India, which would imply the strong support or close relationship with the Indian government.

Yamamoto said he had mentioned to them in the meeting about the experience with another ITS India organization in the past, the withdrawal from the membership due to their non-payment of the annual fee. Akhilesh stated “The budget would be in order this time”. However, Yamamoto said if the payment was not made, we would have to notice them to leave ITSAP. But he was pleased to have ITS India as the member of ITS Asia-Pacific. He also stated we had to remember the payment issues were important for our mutual trust, the membership fee as well as the commission fee.

William Sabandar appreciated Akio Yamamoto and Takehiko Barada for visiting the organization in India. Since the process started one year ago, ITS India made a good progress although the challenge continues. He expressed ITS Indonesia would like India to be accepted as the ITSAP Members.

Sue Park said while ITS Korea worked with ITS India to prepare for the ITSAP Forum High-Level Roundtable, she felt ITS India had the strong relationship with the Ministry of Transport in India.

Murphy Sun said he could understand that ITS India was very active and supported, letting them into the ITS AP as we need more friends.

Dean Zabrieszach said that last time we had a lot of questions about ITS India and put them into the program and they proved themselves, and we would have no reason against they should not be accepted. He said the membership fee was really a small amount and if they could not pay USD2,000, something would be wrong. Let’s make sure it would not happen again.

The APBOD members agreed to accept ITS India to be the new member of the ITS Asia-Pacific and would announce the news at the Opening Ceremony of ITSAPF Suwon.

8. Status Report the 31st ITS World Congress 2025 Atlanta

ITS AP Secretariat, Ikuko Okada shared the latest preparation status for ITSWC2025Atlanta, highlighting the speaking opportunities in high-level sessions and the call for submission of Future Leaders Programs.

9. Status Report the 32nd ITS World Congress 2026 Gangneung

Cho Yeonjung, the director from Gangneung city welcomed everyone, and Myoung Hun Choi, the Team Leader from Gangneung city reported the preparation progress of the 32nd ITS World Congress.

Dean Zabrieszach expressed the concern about the progress of the convention center construction from a civil engineering point of view. → Sue Park said those pictures on the



slides were take 2 weeks before the meeting, which was proving the well progress of the work.

Tongkarn Kaewchalermtong asked if there was any plan to organize the event before ITS WC after the construction is completed in June 2026. → Sue Park answered that ITS Korea was checking with the organizer if it would host the big event before the WC.

Akio Yamamoto stated that 2026WC would be the excellent opportunity as well as the challenges for the host city. While Suwon was urban metropolitan city with more than a million of population, Gangneung was small with about 200,000 populations but so many tourists as 3,5000,000 pax visited the city every year. He said the ITSWC2026 would serve for the middle and small size ITS, ITS for tourists, autonomous shuttles for aging societies, and more.

Armin Guttke asked if UAM Demo was planned in the WC2026. → Jooil Lee responded it would be considered but so far it was subject to a lot of regulations.

William Sabandar expressed the appreciation for a lot of efforts for the event, and supported that Gangneung WC started the promotion as the small city since ITS was not only related to the big cities. He said ITS should benefit for the community of rural landscape in combination with the tourism and the community benefits could be brought together. He hoped more audience and government could be invited to the event. He said the Ministerial Roundtable in the APF Jakarta 2024 would help the creation of strong landscape of ITS among the ministers in the country. He expected such a collaboration in Gangneung.

She Park appreciated the comments and said that APF Suwon would have 11 ministers, and based on this experience, Gangneung WC would extend more invitation, contacting MOTs in each country and show how the small city like Gangneung city would hold the ITS WC.

10. Important Information on the 20th ITS Asia-Pacific Forum 2025 Suwon

Sue Park shared the latest logistic information on the 20th ITSAPF Suwon with the slides.

11. Any other business

Introduction of Asia-Pacific Road User Charging (RUC) Alliance

Richard Wu (ITS Taiwan) announced the launch of Asia-Pacific Road User Charging (RUC) Alliance and introduced the outline and future vision, and invited the new members.

Next meeting

Date and place: 23 August 2025 in Atlanta, USA - Face-to-Face

Adjourn



Participants

	APBOD Member	Organization	
	Akio Yamamoto	ITS AP Secretary-General	Japan
	Sue Park	ITS Korea - Chair	Korea
1	Dean Zabrieszach	ITS Australia	Australia
2	Wei Yun Jiao for Bin Li	National ITS Center, China/ China ITS Industry Alliance	China
3	Steven Lui	ITS Hong Kong	Hong Kong
4	William Sabandar	ITS Indonesia	Indonesia
5	Takehiko Barada	ITS Japan	Japan
6	Cheong-Hoe Heo for Yoo-Jin Chang	ITS Korea	Korea
7	Mohd Sharulnizam bin Sarip for Dato Ismail Md Salleh	ITS Malaysia	Malaysia
8	Armin Guttke	ITS New Zealand	New Zealand
9	Howie Sim	ITS Singapore	Singapore
10	Murphy Sun	ITS Taiwan	Chinese-Taipei
11	Tongkarn Kaewchalermtong	ITS Thailand	Thailand

APF 2027 Bidding presenters

New Zealand:		
Dawn Bennet	New Zealand Ambassador to the Republic of Korea	New Zealand
Mike Rudge	NZTA Board Member	New Zealand
Professor Doug Wilson	ITSNZ Board Member	New Zealand
Fiona Reid	Somar Digital	New Zealand
Mohammed Hikmet	HMI Technologies Group and Ohmio and former APBOD Chair	New Zealand
Singapore:		
Lam Wee Shann	Land Transport Authority of Singapore	Singapore
Hoe Yeen Teck	ITS Singapore	Singapore
Wong Sook Kwan	ITS Singapore	Singapore
James Kwok	Land Transport Authority of Singapore	Singapore
Alvin Chia	Land Transport Authority of Singapore	Singapore

Observers and presenters

Susan Harris	ITS Australia	Australia
Silje Troseth	ITS Australia	Australia
Anthony Smeaton	ITS Australia	Australia
Charles So	ITS Hong Kong	Hong Kong
Karen Cheung	ITS Hong Kong	Hong Kong
Nobuyuki Ozaki	Nagoya University	Japan
Jooil Lee	ITS Korea	Korea
Kyu Don Hwang	Suwon City	Korea
Taehwan Lee	Suwon City	Korea



Amy Kim	ITS Korea	Korea
Philip Tseng	ITS Taiwan	Chinese-Taipei
Wen-Long WU	ITS Taiwan	Chinese-Taipei
Ming-Le LIN	ITS Taiwan	Chinese-Taipei
Tzu-Cherng Chang	ITS Taiwan	Chinese-Taipei
Richard WU	ITS Taiwan	Chinese-Taipei
Sorawit Narupiti	ITS Thailand	Thailand
Ninnart Chaithirapinyo	ITS Thailand	Thailand
Niramon Thiranont	ITS Thailand	Thailand
Pravena Nuntikulvanich	Toyota Motor Thailand	Thailand
Chadil Tuchinda	ITS Thailand/Toyota Motor Thailand	Thailand
Luchanun MAKPHANITWA	Toyota Motor Thailand	Thailand
Akhilesh Srivastava	President, ITS India	India
Shiv Kumar	Director General, ITS India	India
AP Secretariat		
Takaaki Segi	ITS Japan/AP Secretariat	Japan
Ikuko Okada	ITS Japan/AP Secretariat	Japan