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Applications are now open for the IAASystems Program promoting gender diversity in the Internet industry

The Internet Association of Australia Ltd (IAA) has today announced that applications are open for its 2024 IAASystems program. The annual event aims to encourage and support the inclusion of women in the Internet industry.

In 2024, the program will offer 10 sponsored attendees – Systers – the opportunity to take part in the one-day IAASystems Workshop, which provides expert career advice and builds soft career-advancement skills. This is followed by their attendance at the two-day AusNOG Conference – a technical event focusing on the operation of Internet networks and associated infrastructure.

IAASystems' participation at both the workshop and the conference ensures they receive relevant technical training and networking opportunities.

IAA CEO Narelle Clark said the program was launched in 2021 after identifying consistently low participation rates of certain sectors in the industry.

"We wanted to do something about it, so we did," she said.

The 2024 IAASystems program will be held from Wednesday, 4 September in Sydney. Systers will receive economy return airfares from their city of residence, accommodation, entry to the IAASystems Workshop and the AusNOG Conference, and a one-year complimentary IAA Professional Membership (subject to IAA Board approval).

To be eligible for the program, applicants must be either employed, studying or working towards a career in the Internet industry, including roles from network operations, engineering, IT, marketing,

regulation and customer support. Those demonstrating the most potential for personal growth and passion for the Internet and Internet industry are rated highest.

Applications close Friday, 26 April 2024 at 5.00pm AEST.

More information can be found on the IAA website: <https://internet.asn.au/iaasystems/>

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ABOUT THE INTERNET ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

The Internet Association of Australia (IAA) is a member-based association representing the Internet community. Founded in 1995 as the Western Australian Internet Association (WAIA), the Association changed its name in early 2016 to better reflect our national membership and growth.

Our members comprise industry professionals, corporations and affiliate organisations. IAA provides a range of services and resources for members and supports the development of the Internet industry both within Australia and internationally. Providing technical services as well as social and professional development events, IAA aims to provide services and resources that our members need.

IX-Australia is a service provided by the Internet Association of Australia to corporate and affiliate members. It is the longest running carrier neutral Internet Exchange in Australia. Spanning seven states and territories, IAA operates over 30 points of presence and operates the New Zealand Internet Exchange on behalf of NZIX Inc in New Zealand.

IAA is also a licenced telecommunications carrier and operates on a not-for-profit basis.

For more information about the Internet Association of Australia see www.internet.asn.au or the New Zealand Internet Exchange see www.ix.nz.