

# APT Online Dialogue

Addressing the Mobile Gender Gap in the APAC Region

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<b>Date</b>	Thursday, 16 May 2024
<b>Time</b>	1:00 pm. BKK time
<b>Location</b>	Online via Zoom
<b>Speakers/ Format</b>	<p><b>Opening / MC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Kullasap Yanyathip, Public Relations and Project Assistant, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT)</li> </ul> <p><b>Welcome Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Masanori Kondo, Secretary General, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT)</li> </ul> <p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Claire Sibthorpe, Head of Digital Inclusion, Mobile for Development (M4D), GSMA</li> </ul> <p><b>GSMA's Presentation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Pippa McDougall, Senior Advocacy Manager, Connected Women, GSMA</li> </ul> <p><b>Discussion and Q&amp;A</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Pippa McDougall, Senior Advocacy Manager, Connected Women, GSMA</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Kullasap Yanyathip, Public Relations and Project Assistant, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity (APT)</li> </ul>
<b>Session synopsis</b>	<p>Join APT's online dialogue to hear GSMA's latest data and insights on the size and drivers of the mobile gender gap in low- and middle-income countries across Asia Pacific (APAC) and opportunities to address it. Despite more people using mobile internet than ever before, there is a significant gender gap in LMICs. While GSMA's latest data shows that the mobile internet gender gap in LMICs has narrowed from 19% in 2022 to 15% in 2023, it remains substantial.<sup>1</sup> Under India's presidency, leaders of the G20 have committed to halving the digital gender gap by 2030, including by promoting gender-responsive policies and initiatives that support women empowerment in the digital economy<sup>2</sup>. GSMA's presentation will be followed by an interactive discussion on what policies are needed to accelerate progress to address the digital gender divide at scale. Targeted action is needed to</p>

<sup>1</sup> GSMA. (2024). [Our new data shows the mobile internet gender gap has narrowed slightly, but there is still much work to be done.](#)

<sup>2</sup> [G20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration 2023](#)



	tackle the mobile internet gender gap and ensure that everyone in the APAC region is able to benefit from connectivity.
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