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## APO Governing Body to Meet in Malaysia

Malaysia will play host to the 44th Session of the APO Governing Body when it convenes in Kuala Lumpur on 18-20 June 2002.

The Governing Body is the supreme organ of the APO. It comprises one Director from each member country designated by their respective governments. The Governing Body meets once a year to receive the Secretary-General's annual report and the auditor's financial report; decide on APO policies, strategies, and membership; approve the rolling two-year plan; lay down guidelines for the ensuing calendar year's program; and approve the budget and the financial guidelines. Each year, it elects from among its members a Chairman and two Vice Chairmen. Together with the Secretary-General, they will decide on pressing matters when the Governing Body is not in session.

Apart from the APO Directors and their advisers, the meeting will be attended by observers from agencies and governments with which the APO has close collaborative relationships and by APO Secretariat staff members. Altogether, about 60 delegates are expected at the meeting.

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