

APHTRO: The Asia Pacific Heritage and Tourist Rail Organisation

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International Co-operation of Heritage Railway Sector

- **Worldwide**

GHRA (Global Heritage Rail Alliance)*Planned

- **Regional**

HRA (Heritage Rail Alliance)*USA and Canada

ALAF (Asociacion Latinoamericana de Ferrocarriles)

FEDRAIL(Federation of Heritage Railways of Southern Africa)

NERHT(New Europe Railway Heritage Trust)*Eastern Europe and UK

FEDECRAIL (European Federation of Museum and Tourist
Railway)



APHTRO: The Asia Pacific Heritage and Tourist Rail Organisation

- **Established**

7 July 2013, Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

- **Incorporated**

Queensland, Australia

Po Box 5848, Bundaberg West,

The State of Queensland 4670

AUSTRALIA

(will be moved to India)



Aims and Roles

- Represents heritage and tourist railways and museums in the Asia - Pacific region.
- Provides a discussion forum.
- Promotes the sustainability of its members and supports the operation of members' activities by:
 - a) Making submissions to and liaising with governments or local authorities.
 - b) Providing access to advice, assistance and information.
- Generates good relationship for mutual benefit with other international organisations.



Administration

- **Council Members**



Kyoichi Oda, President (Japan)



Rajesh Agrawal, Vice President (India)



MingHsun Hsieh, Vice President (Taiwan)



Maisoon Shaheen (Jordan)



Discussion & Communication

- **Meetings**

Annual General Meeting & Conference

Extraordinary Meeting (on-line)

Council Meeting (on-line)

- **NewsLetter**

LocoShed, disseminated twice a year

- **APHTRO Forum**

Facebook Group



Consulting service

- Finance
- Marketing
- Engineering & Safety
- Heritage & Awards
- Environment
- Any other area the council determines necessary



APHTRO Bangkok Charter

- Advise/Support/Consultancy
- Involvement/Association
- Represent
- Mobilise
- Harnessing Heritage
- Documentation
- Activities
- Dissemination/Outreach
- Use of Subsidiaries
- Misc



Membership

- **Full Membership** with voting right is opened for;
 - a) National representative body.
 - b) Heritage and tourist railways or tramways, museums.
 - c) Other organisations and individuals as may be determined by the council.Annual fee is 50 USD.
- **Affiliate Membership** is opened for;
Those who are interested in rail heritage and want to support the organisation.
Annual fee is 25 USD.



APHTRO Forum Members

- Federation of Rail Organisations of New Zealand
- Juche Travel Services (UK, North Korea)
- Railway Cultural Society Taiwan
- Manila Railroad Club
- Railways and Industrial Heritage Society of the Philippines, Inc.
- Sabah State Railway (Malaysia)
- Indonesian Railways
- Royal Railways in Cambodia
- State Railway of Thailand
- Indian Railways
- JF Tours & Travels Ltd (Sri Lanka)
- Jordan Hejaz Railways



APHTRO Full Members

- Railway Culture Society, Taiwan
- Sabah State Railway (Malaysia)
- State Railway of Thailand
- Jordan Hejaz Railways

APHTRO Affiliate Member

- Al BOUCAI Group for Consulting & Investment (Jordan)
- Travel Pals Pvt. Ltd. (India)
- Mr. Ken Heard (Canada)



Countries as Anticipated Members

- Fiji
- Australia
- Sakhalin (Russia)
- China
- Japan
- South Korea
- North Korea
- Vietnam
- Myanmar



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New Zealand (Mainline Steam Heritage Trust)

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New Zealand (Museum of Transport & Technology)



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Australia (class 3801 Mainline Special)

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Australia (Puffing Billy Railway)



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Japan (Oigawa Railway)



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China (Teifa Coal Mine Railway)

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China (Shibanxi Railway)

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Taiwan (Taiwan Railway Administration)

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Taiwan (Alishan Railway)

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The Philippines (RIHSPI)

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Indonesia (Ambarawa Railway Museum)

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Malaysia (North Borneo Railway)

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Cambodia (Royal Railways)



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Thailand (State Railway of Thailand)

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India (Kalka Shimla Railway)

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India (Nilgiri Railway)

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Sri Lanka (Viceroy Special)

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Jordan (Hijaz Railways)

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Syria (Hijaz Railways)

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Current Plan & Projects

- Conference 2018, Shibanzi Railway, China
- Conference 2019, Jordan (TBD)
- Encouraging APHTRO Forum
- Asia-Pacific Railway Heritage Site Database
- Support for members' project
- Recruiting members
- Support for conference delegates
- Consulting service
- Incorporation moving to India
- Heritage Steam Centre in India, Jordan



Thank You
Any Questions?

