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Where Heritage Meets the Blue Economy

*Traditions and Trajectories: Maritime Heritage
and Blue Economies in Asia-Pacific*

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APCONF 2026 is an international conference designed as a **strategic forum** to integrate maritime cultural heritage preservation with the advancement of a **sustainable Blue Economy**.

The conference will convene academics, conservation professionals, policymakers, researchers, and industry leaders in a **high-level dialogue** aimed at formulating integrated approaches between the protection of underwater cultural heritage and the development of the modern maritime sector.

APCONF 2026 affirms that heritage preservation and ocean-based economic growth are not competing agendas, but mutually reinforcing pillars. Maritime heritage provides historical legitimacy, identity, and foundational knowledge, while the Blue Economy ensures that ocean resources are managed **responsibly, innovatively, and sustainably**.

Through **international collaboration** fostered within this platform, APCONF 2026 seeks to strengthen conservation efforts while advancing a **forward-looking, inclusive, and sustainable trajectory** for global ocean development.

The Spirit Behind

The **APCONF 2026 logo** is more than a visual identity; it represents the conference's **core values: heritage, knowledge, collaboration, and sustainability.**

Each element reflects the **profound relationship between humanity and the ocean**, with particular emphasis on the **Asia-Pacific region and the Indonesian archipelago.**



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The **navy blue** color represents the depth of the sea, intellectual rigor, and the richness of submerged history.

The **light sea blue** symbolizes openness, dynamic ocean systems, and the spirit of regional and international collaboration.



AMPHORA

The amphora form represents archaeological artifacts commonly found at underwater heritage sites. It symbolizes the preservation of cultural objects as enduring sources of historical knowledge.



ANCIENT SAILING SHIP

The sailing ship reflects the maritime glory of the past, when seafarers connected civilizations through global trade routes. It embodies exploration, intercultural exchange, and inherited maritime wisdom.



FEMALE SILHOUETTE

The female silhouette represents the guardian of cultural heritage and evokes the image of a sea goddess, a metaphor for the essential role of women in maritime traditions. Her flowing hair mirrors ocean waves, emphasizing the deep connection between humans and the sea.



OCEAN WAVES

The wave motif represents the vast ocean that connects the Asia-Pacific region, home to countless underwater cultural treasures.



Honolulu
(2014)

APCONF 2026 At a Glance

Since 2011, APCONF has evolved into one of the **leading regional platforms** dedicated to maritime and underwater cultural heritage across the **Asia-Pacific**.

500+

International Delegates

40+

Countries Represented

260

Research Presentations

Polymakers | regulators | academics | conservation leaders | and industry executives |
Global institutional networks including collaboration with **UNESCO**

Why INDONESIA?

As the world's largest archipelagic nation comprising **over 17,500 islands**, Indonesia sits strategically between the Indian and Pacific Oceans, positioning it at the crossroads of global maritime connectivity.

Its rich underwater heritage, **boasting over 1,000 shipwreck sites**, historical maritime trade routes such as the Maritime Silk and Spice Routes, and vibrant seafaring traditions make Indonesia a contextually pivotal host for global discussions on maritime heritage preservation and the advancement of the Blue Economy.



BALI PROVINCE



Venue



THE DHARMANEGARA ALAYA
Jl. Mulawarman, Dauh Puri Kaja, Kec. Denpasar Utara,
Denpasar City, Bali

Why BALI?

Bali is chosen as the venue for its global accessibility, world-class conference infrastructure, and proven track record in hosting international forums.

The island provides a professional, secure, and prestigious environment that fosters executive collaboration, diplomatic dialogue, and global visibility, **making it the ideal stage for APCONF 2026.**

Beyond Sponsorship Strategic Alignment

Strategic positioning, not transactional sponsorship



Sustainable Ocean Governance

Support responsible and sustainable ocean management.



Responsible Economic Growth

Align with innovation-driven, sustainable maritime economy.



Cultural Stewardship

Preserve maritime heritage while fostering global relevance.



Global Thought Leadership

Join an international discourse shaping the maritime agenda.

Partners contribute directly to shaping the future of maritime policy, heritage preservation, and sustainable ocean development.

Sponsorship Tier

APCONF 2026

BRONZE



Official Supporting Partner

(USD 1,500+)

- ✓ Logo placement on website and program book
- ✓ Recognition on sponsor board
- ✓ 1 Onsite Banner
- ✓ Recognition at Opening and Closing Ceremony
- ✓ Shared exhibition space
- ✓ 1 Complimentary Registration & full access to program
- ✓ Inclusion in post-event report
- ✓ Social Media Acknowledgement
- ✓ A quarter-page ad in program book
- ✓ Certificate

SILVER



Strategic Industry Partner

(USD 5,000+)

- ✓ Prominent logo placement on official materials
- ✓ Recognition on sponsor board
- ✓ 2 Onsite Banner
- ✓ Recognition at Opening and Closing Ceremony
- ✓ 3m x 3m exhibition booth
- ✓ 2 Complimentary Registration & full access to program
- ✓ Inclusion in post-event report
- ✓ Social Media Acknowledgement
- ✓ Half-page ad in program book
- ✓ Certificate

GOLD



Exclusive Strategic Partner

(USD 10,000+)

- ✓ Prime logo placement on main stage, website, and all materials
- ✓ Exclusive Recognition as Gold Partner
- ✓ 3 Onsite Banner
- ✓ Recognition at Opening and Closing Ceremony
- ✓ 6m x 6m exhibition booth
- ✓ 3 Complimentary Registration and full access to program
- ✓ Inclusion in post-event report
- ✓ Social Media Acknowledgement
- ✓ Full-page ad in program book
- ✓ Certificate



Specialized Sponsorship Opportunities



Technology & Innovation Showcase Partner

Showcase your VR/AR solutions and digital heritage innovations directly to international delegates. Position your brand as a pioneer in maritime heritage digital transformation.



Blue Economy Leadership Forum Partner

Lead strategic discussions on sustainable Blue Economy. Strengthen your brand's role as a driver of innovative and responsible ocean growth.



Cultural Gala Sponsor

Exclusive branding at the official Gala Dinner. Build associations with culture, prestige, and high-level networking in a premium setting.



Capacity Building & Scholarship Partner

Support scholarships for delegates from developing countries. Demonstrate a genuine commitment to education, inclusion, and global development while enhancing your corporate social reputation.



Field Experience & Heritage Site Partner

Branding on heritage site visits in Bali. Engage participants with hands-on experiences linking your brand to real conservation and sustainability efforts.

Tailored sponsorships to showcase your leadership, innovation, and impact in the global maritime and Blue Economy sectors.



Expected Roi & Impact



Executive-Level Exposure

Direct engagement with decision-makers, regulators, and global institutions.



International Brand Positioning

Visibility across 30+ countries within a distinguished, policy-relevant audience.



Reputational Capital

Alignment with sustainability, heritage stewardship, and responsible ocean governance.



Long-Term Institutional Network

Access to cross-border partnerships extending beyond the conference.

500+ DELEGATES | 40+ COUNTRIES
1 PREMIER PLATFORM

Ready to Make an Impact?

Join us in shaping the future where heritage
preservation drives sustainable economic growth.
Limited sponsorship opportunities available.

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