What is the 2012 Common Activity?
The 2012 Common Activity is **Glob@l Interf@ce**, better known as "GI". This common activity involves two countries communicating through technology (video conferencing) to share about their respective culture and people.

Why we choose Glob@l Interf@ce (GI) as the Common Activity?
The APCC & BCIO is a great platform for members to interact with other people of different countries, however, many of us do not know much about the cultures of the other members in our APCC family. Therefore, the 2012 Peace Ambassadors from 32 countries decided to explore other cultures through Glob@l Interf@ce.

What is the aim of Glob@l Interf@ce (GI)?
To explore & learn about the “rich and diverse Cultures” within the APCC Family and strengthen the bond of friendship with 'Respect & Understanding'.

Objectives (divided into 3 domains):

A. Educational
- Provide opportunities for JAs/PAs/Non-BC Members to learn about other countries, peoples, and lifestyles.
- Deliver different perspectives on culture from local peoples.
- Explore technologies capable to bridging gaps across boarders.

B. Personal
- Enhance communication skills and build self-confidence.
- Foster life-long friendships with other JAs/PAs/Non-BC Members.

C. Organizational
- Strengthen the BRIDGE CLUB network.

Participants:
Former participants of the APCC and all other interested people can join Glob@l Interf@ce.

Guidelines
- You need to have an internet connection, a webcam, and Skype/ooVoo/teamviewer or any other video conferencing application on your computer/laptop.
- During Glob@l Interf@ce, at least 1 Peace Ambassador must be present to supervise the activity. There is no required number of JAs/Non-BC members that need to be present.
- To enhance this experience, please show posters, things, photographs, and other visuals.
- The duration of the conference should be minimum 30 minutes and maximum 1 hour long.
- Each country should conduct 3 video interfaces between August 2012 and May 2013.
- Suggested themes are listed below and should be used to prompt discussion. Please don't repeat themes.
Themes:

- Local Cuisines
- Clothing
- Musical Instruments
- Singing
- Festivals
- Education system
- Lifestyle
- Famous Landmarks
- Languages

The countries Interfacing is pre-decided to overcome the problem of different time zone. It is mentioned below:

**Countries list for Global Interface**

1. Korea: India; Australia & Fiji
2. Hong Kong: Nepal; Malaysia & Tahiti
3. Taiwan: Lao; Sri Lanka & New Zealand
4. Singapore: Bangladesh, Australia & Cambodia
5. Philippines: India; Mongolia & Fiji
6. Thailand: Sri Lanka; PNG & Myanmar
7. Indonesia: Bangladesh; Maldives & Solomon Islands
8. Vietnam: Bhutan; Malaysia & Solomon Islands
9. Bangladesh: Singapore; Indonesia & Vanuatu
10. Bhutan: Vietnam; New Zealand & Cambodia
11. Pakistan: Mongolia; Japan & Dalian
12. India: Korea; Philippines & Australia
13. Lao: Taiwan; Cambodia & Russia
14. Nepal: Hong Kong; Fiji & Japan
15. Mongolia: Philippines; Pakistan & Maldives
16. Sri Lanka: Taiwan; Thailand & PNG
17. Australia: Korea; Singapore & India
18. New Zealand: Taiwan; Bhutan & Atlanta
19. Hawaii: Dalian; Myanmar & Solomon Islands
20. Fiji: Korea; Philippines & Nepal
21. Maldives: Indonesia; Mongolia & Myanmar
22. Cambodia: Singapore; Bhutan & Lao
23. Vanuatu: Bangladesh; Malaysia & Dalian
24. Malaysia: Hong Kong; Vietnam & Vanuatu
25. Russia: Lao; Japan & Atlanta
26. Tahiti: Hong Kong; PNG & Atlanta
27. Japan: Pakistan; Nepal & Russia
28. Dalian: Pakistan; Hawaii & Vanuatu
29. PNG: Thailand; Sri Lanka & Tahiti
30. Myanmar: Thailand; Hawaii & Maldives
31. Solomon Island: Indonesia; Vietnam & Hawaii
32. Atlanta: New Zealand; Russia & Tahiti
How to report:

Two simple ways to report.

1. **Storyboard:** Click pictures followed with detailed captions and upload it on Facebook page ‘Glob@l Interf@ce’ or email them to BCIO. The storyboard should contain all the mentioned points: names of the BCs, people involved, topics, points exchanged and the conclusion/knowledge gained.

2. **Video:** It’s difficult to store 30min/1hr video clips online, so after finishing the interface one team will be responsible to create a short (2-3 min) video clipping. The video should contain all the mentioned points: names of the BCs, people involved, topics, points exchanged and the conclusion/knowledge gained. Then upload it on Facebook page “Glob@l Interf@ce” or email it to BCIO.

The report should be submitted within 10 days of Glob@l Interf@ce. One country will be responsible for creating the video (2-3min) while another county will be responsible for Story Board.

The three best video and three best story boards will receive awards during the BCIO convention in 2013. The winning videos will be also played during the next convention.

The top three videos and top three story boards are selected on the basis of
- ‘Likes’ achieved on Face book
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The final decision will be made by 2012 Common Activity in charge and BCIO head office.