

# PyCon APAC -> India 2018 Proposal

1. A proposal introduction which describes the motivation for the proposal.

We the PyDelhi [1] & PyDataDelhi [2], team have a vibrant and thriving community here in the National Capital Region of India.

The main motivation is to expand the current level of involvement to bigger international level events.

[1] <http://pydelhi.org/>

[2] <https://pydata.org/delhi2017/>

2. A description of the on-site team, its members and history in the context of their local Python community.

**Team:** Vipin Kumar Rathi, Jaidev Deshpande, Manoj Pandey, Akshay Arora, Akul Mehra, Rajat Saini, Sanyam Khurana, Amit Kumar Jaiswal, Akash Mishra, Sahil Joseph.

**History:**

- Meetups: PyDelhi 57 meetups, Pydata Delhi meetups (16 meetups)
- Strength on meetup.com 5500 + (PyDelhi) / 2300+ (PyData Delhi)
- Conferences organized in the past:
  - Regional level: PyDelhi Conf 2016, PyDelhi Conf 2017
  - National level: PyCon India 2016, PyData 2017, Scipy India 2016, PyCon India 2017(in progress)

3. Short biography of the key members and their previous experience in conference and events organizations.

- Vipin Kumar Rathi
  - Bio: Assistant Professor in University of Delhi. He is Organizer of opendaylight and openstack meetups. He is active member of python communities
- Manoj Pandey
  - Bio: Organizer and Chair for PyData Delhi meetups, PyData Delhi 2017

- **Akshay Arora**
  - **Bio:** Organizer and Chair of PyDelhi Conf 2016, 2017, PyCon India 2016, 2017, core dev and community manager for kivy framework. Meetup manager for Open Stack India, PyDelhi, CryptocurrencyIndia, Ilug-D, ILUG-D, GSOC mentor for kivy org for last 6 years.
- **Akul Mehra**
  - **Bio:** Co-organizer and Co-chair for PyData Delhi meetups, PyData Delhi 2017
- **Amit Kumar Jaiswal**
  - **Bio:** Mozilla Representative and a fellow GSoC'17 developer with CNCF, PyCon India 2017 proposal reviewer, Docker Meetup organizer
- **Jaidev Deshpande**
  - **Bio:** Data Scientist, active member of the Python and SciPy India communities.
- **Rajat Saini**
  - **Bio:** He is the Frontend and UX/UI developer works with, "Quanon Tech". He is a member of PyDelhi, PyData, ILUG-D and various other local communities. He was involved with helping hold PyDelhi Conf 2016 and 2017, PyCon India 2017
- **Akash Mishra**
  - **Bio:** Software Developer, active member of the Python Community in India. Volunteer for Pycon India 2016, 2017 and PyDelhi Conf 2016, 2017
- **Sahil Joseph**
  - **Bio:** Co-organizer ILUG-D(linux user group) Meetups, active member of Python Community in India. Volunteer for PyCon India 2016 , 2017 & PyDelhi Conf 2016,2017

**4. Previous conference history of the on-site team (if any). Describe which conferences were run and provide some figures on their size (registrations, tracks, total income)**

**Earning profit was not the main idea behind the conferences, therefore expenses were based on how much money we expected to come in.**

**PyDelhi Conf 2016**

**Registrations: 230+**

**Total Income: roughly USD 6117 similar expenses USD 4588**

**Profit: USD 1529**

**PyCon India 2017**

**Registrations: 919**

**Total Income: USD 53,529 + same as expenses (No profit No Loss)**

**PyDelhi Conf 2017**

**Registrations: 200+**

**Total Income: USD 4588, similar expenses (No profit, no Loss)**

**PyData Delhi 2017**

**Registrations: 288**

**Total Income: USD 5597; Expenses: USD 4955, Profit: USD 642**

**5. Assignment of key positions to on-site team members. Positions to be assigned (one member can be responsible for more than one of the following roles):**

- 1. Chairperson of the on-site team workgroup: usually also the conference chair and representative of the conference for that year**
  - Akshay Arora**
- 2. Program Manager: on-site contact for all program related activities like CFP, schedule etc**
  - Manoj Pandey**
- 3. Sponsor manager: on-site contact for all sponsor activities, responsible for local sponsors**
  - Amit Kumar Jaiswal, Akul Mehra and Sahil Joseph**
- 4. Venue manager: handling all contacts with the venue and caterer**
  - Vipin Kumar Rathi**
- 5. Logistics manager: handling all aspects of local logistics and customs**
  - Akash Mishra, Peeyush Aggarwal**
- 6. Conference desk manager: responsible for the on-site help desk, on-site registrations, tickets, cash refunds, attendee support, etc.**
  - Sanyam Khurana, Akash Mishra, Sahil Joseph**

6. **List of all team members that will be present during the conference itself as volunteers (but not necessarily help before the conference begins), and/or sources from which people can be or will be acquired if needed (e.g., universities, other local associations, etc.). This list is indicative, as most of the volunteers helping during the conference are usually enrolled during the last months/weeks before the conference.**

**It is difficult to give all names here we have more than 150+ active volunteers.**

**Universities: Jawaharlal Nehru University, University of Delhi, Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Amity University, Delhi Technological University.**

7. **List of potential international and local sponsors. Note : Local sponsors help a lot in funding the conference. These are often smaller companies which will not move to new locations with the conference, so a local contact is highly beneficial in attracting these sponsors.**

1. **The PAC can assist with contacts with international sponsors wherever possible**
2. **Python Software Foundation**
3. **Microsoft**
4. **NumFOCUS**
5. **Google**
6. **Facebook**
7. **Twitter**
8. **Wingify**
9. **Hike**
10. **IBM**
11. **HPE**
12. **Razorpay**
13. **Digital Ocean**
14. **Gitlab**
15. **Branch**
16. **FreshDesk**
17. **Intel**
18. **Udacity**
19. **DuckDuckGo**
20. **Stickermule**
21. **RedHat**

22. Github
23. PacktPub
24. Digital Ocean
25. PyCharm
26. ZeOmega
27. Hackerearth
28. HackerRank
29. LinkedIn
30. Anaconda
31. FOSSEE
32. Xebia
33. Delhivery
34. Analytics Vidhya
35. Goibibo
36. Women Who Code

**8. Proposed dates for PyCon APAC 2017.**

1. August 18-19
2. November 17-18

**9. Keynote speakers proposed.**

- Julia Evans
- Armin Ronacher core -dev Flask
- Dan Callahan, Developer Relations at Mozilla Inc.
- Mathieu Virbel core dev & lead of Kivy framework

**10. Conference events. Describe which kind of (social) events you can propose for the conference and are able to provide support for.**

- Conference dinner

**11. Expected differences from previous PyCon APAC conferences (2016 and 2017). Please highlight what things would need to be changed in the way the conference is run on-site. Examples of things we would consider worthwhile to mention:**

1. "We can get additional support from the local government / city council"
2. "We need to provide tickets to city locals at reduced prices"

Yes

3. "We intend to serve meals in a different venue"

4. "We have some extra space available for posters / sponsors"

Yes

5. "We want to have our local Python conference run as satellite event" etc.

Locals are used to having high quality events having reduced cost for tickets cause of events like PyCon India and a vibrant community.

If we want high participation from locals then we need to keep the ticket price reduced.

12. Venue proposal. Describe the following sub-items:

1. Location, reachability by car, train, plane

- Location: New Delhi
- Reachability
  - Plane: 10 Km
  - Train: 07 Km

2. Venue floor plans, catering floor plans (if different from venue)

[JNU map.png](#)

- Most probably we will try for a venue where everything is doable on the single floor itself

3. Total capacity for talk rooms, training rooms, plenary sessions, booth space and catering/restaurants; if possible, including room plans

- Total Capacity: 1000 people
- Talk Rooms: 2 with 400 capacity each
- Training Rooms: 3 with 100 capacity each
- Booth Space: 6 feet \* 3 feet
- Restaurants: 1

4. A/V equipment

Yes

5. Video recording, availability of on-site support for A/V recordings, possibly even including live- or post-editing  
PIP Video recording with HD Camera, Smart Fade Switcher Video Mixer & HD DV Cam recorder including Hard Drive

6. Lightning equipment, availability of on-site Support for lighting

## **Auditorium Efficiency Lighting and Halogen Lights.**

- 7. Upstream internet connection (at least 100MB up and downstream)**

**1 GBps**

- 8. WLAN structure, service provider, their experience with similar events (The WLAN has to be able to handle at least the number of participant devices expected without problems)**

**More than 15 Access Points for wireless LAN,  
Service Provider: National Knowledge Network(NKN)  
Awesome experience in Pycon India 2016. WLAN handled more than 1000 people in Pycon India.**

- 9. Available space for conference desk, sponsor booths, posters, social event, etc., planned locations of these on the floor plans**

**There is a foyer with width of 35 feet and length of 200 meters that can be used for this**

### **13.Accommodation. Describe the following sub-items:**

- 1. Available hotels/hostels near the conference venues, their distance from the conference venue, city centre, airport and train station**

**Hotels: More than 15 hotels within 5 Km w.r.t conference venue.**

- 2. Rates for the hotels/hostels and, optionally, special rates which can be made available to attendees**

**The Grand is the most prominent, with around 20+ hotels nearby the venue..**

- 3. The above for three different categories: high end, average and low end**

**Rates vary from USD 13 to USD 229 per night.**

4. Optionally, a "main" hotel that serves as default choice for conference attendees and serves as a social hub

#### **The Grand Hotel**

#### **14. City tourist information. Describe the following sub-items:**

1. General information: touristic information, restaurants, mobility

<https://wikitravel.org/en/Delhi>

- Tourists are free to roam anywhere without any hustle New delhi has very good connectivity in different areas of region in terms of bus, metrocars and cab.
  - Tourists can find pretty good restaurant near by them as New Delhi have more than 400+ outlets of restaurant.
2. Travel information: how to get to the city and to the conference venue. This information should indicate how easily the conference city and venue are accessible. It should also answer questions like: Are there convenient ways to get to the conference venue from airports/trains and bus stations and without having a car/taxi?
    - New Delhi is the capital of India so there is no issues with connectivity.
    - International Airport: Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi.
    - Domestic Airport: Terminal 1.
    - Venue place is near to airport, bus station and Trains from Airport Metro or Taxi and Bus is available and venue is very near to airport less than 10 Km and hardly takes 30 minutes.
  3. Travel costs from the previous mentioned travel hubs to the conference venue
    - Minimum USD 2 and Maximum USD 9.



**15. Visa. If attendees may require a visa to enter the country/city, please provide detailed information.**

- [Indian Visa Application](#)
- [Indian e-Visa - Indian Visa Online](#)

**16. Proposed local budget.**

1. The budget should include all expected costs for the on-site support, including the venue costs, catering, on-site rental of equipment, costs for venue services and logistics, extras like public transport passes, etc. Optional budget positions should be indicated as such, to give more flexibility in comparing proposals.

**Venue cost Estimate: \$ 12000**

**Catering cost estimate: \$ 13,000**

**Venue services cost estimate: \$1000**

**Logistics cost estimates: \$ 2000**

**Other equipment cost estimate: \$ 13,000**

2. The budget must handle different scenarios related to different venues, where applicable, including fixed rooms costs, catering, services, etc. Please provide cost estimates for 200, 400, 600 and 800 attendees (if possible with the venue).

**Costs estimate for 200:**

**Venue \$5,000, Food \$3,000, Venue Service \$1000, Logistics cost estimate: \$2000 other equipment: \$ 9,000**

**Total USD 18,000**

**Costs estimate for 400:**

**Venue \$10,000, Food \$6,000, Venue Service \$1000, Logistics cost estimate: \$2000 other equipment: \$ 10,000**

**Total USD 30,000**

**Costs estimate for 600:**

**Venue \$10,000, Food \$10,000, Venue Service \$1000, Logistics cost estimate: \$2000 other equipment: \$ 13,000**

**Total USD 36,000**

**Costs estimate for 800:**

**Venue \$12,000, Food \$19,000, Venue Service \$1000, Logistics cost estimate: \$2000 other equipment: \$ 13,000**

**Total USD 47000**

- 3. Please write to the PAC if you need help with setting up a budget plan.**