## Fellowship report - Apricot 2025

I had the wonderful opportunity to attend the Skills Workshop and Conference at APRICOT 2025 as a fellow and feel truly grateful for the opportunity.

I have participated in several technical workshops in the past.

I found the Skills Workshop particularly engaging.

The training covered a range of valuable topics, including communication skills, leadership, teamwork, and overcoming the fear of public speaking.

I believe I gained significant skills and abilities from the Fellows Workshop, which will benefit my professional growth.

The APRICOT Conference was highly relevant to my professional field, and I found it to be exceptionally well-organized.

I selected sessions based on my interests, focusing on optics, routing security, network management and monitoring, and network operations.

I actively participated in presentations and panel discussions gaining valuable insights from industry experts.

During the conference, I reconnected with familiar colleagues to exchange updates on ongoing collaborations and future projects.

I also had the chances to meet new partners, learn about their services, explore potential cooperation opportunities, and build meaningful professional relationships. Some of the discussions at the conference have already led to ongoing work.

Being selected as a fellow for the APRICOT 2025 Fellowship was a significant honor. It provided me with an invaluable opportunity to expand my knowledge, gain new experiences, and enhance my professional expertise.

Overall, APRICOT 2025 was an outstanding and well-organized event. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to John and the APRICOT 2025 team for their support in making this experience so enriching.