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Welcome to the 6th Asia Pacific Rim Confederation of Counsellors (APRCC) conference, co-hosted by the American Counseling Association and the Australian Counselling Association.

The conference, themed “How can you meet your communities needs as a Counsellor?” will be held September 27 – 29 in Brisbane.

As APRCC approach their 12th birthday, this will be their 6th regional conference. The previous conferences have been held in Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia and China. Their work over the past 12 years has been significant in advancing the counselling profession throughout Asia.

The American Counseling Association is a global leader and pioneer in the profession. For decades they’ve been at the forefront of the industry, responsibly collaborating with global partners and openly sharing their experience. Their cooperative and transparent approach has expedited and enabled the growth of the industry across numerous international jurisdictions.

Australian Counselling Association has a long history of supporting the advancement of the counselling profession throughout the ASEAN region. This is demonstrated by our outreach work in countries including Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Hong Kong, India, Singapore, Malaysia, China and beyond. Over the last decade this work has advanced the profession, raised the profile of counsellors and their work, and assisted the portability of counselling skills and qualifications around the region.

Whilst the counselling profession has made significant advancements over the previous decades, there is a mutual acknowledgment that there is still much work to do. This conference will provide a forum for counsellors and therapists from all over Australia and the region to showcase research, therapies and technology. It will also provide the opportunity for our many partners in the Asia Pacific Rim region to network, collaborate, and be exposed to global best practices.

We look forward to providing counsellors and therapists from Australia and the region a truly global opportunity, right on their doorstep.

Simon Clarke  
President, Australian Counselling Association.