

RIPE

Policy Update

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Policy Development Process

- It is open to everyone
 - No matter who you are or work for
 - No matter where you are located
- The majority of the work is done on mailing lists
 - Everyone can “attend” in their own time
 - Automatically archived
- If an argument is not repeated on the mailing list, it is not taken into consideration
 - But discussions can take place everywhere



Why Do You Want to Take Part?

- The Internet is continuously changing
 - So are the business cases
- Policies get changed to adopt to new technologies and business practices
- Policy changes can have impact on your business case

Subscribing to Mailing Lists

- It depends on the topic as to on which list the discussion takes place
 - The most relevant working group takes the proposal
 - This working group is mentioned in the proposal
- There is a catch all:
 - `policy-announce@ripe.net` mailing list
 - Will only carry announcements (low traffic)
 - Will point to the correct mailing list for discussion



Taking Part

- If you want to know what is being discussed:
 - Subscribe to the mailing list
 - Look at the archives at <http://www.ripe.net>
- If you want to comment on a proposal:
 - Write a message to the mailing list
 - Lists are only open to subscribers!
- You can change your preferences:
 - Activate digest mode (one mail a day)
 - Activate “no mail” (but retain posting rights)



When Contributing

- Comments are made on a individual title
- Arguments needs to be backed up
 - Simply saying “no” is not enough
 - Explain why you think it is a bad or good idea
- You don't have to disagree
 - Showing support also helps the process along

Consensus

- Consensus does not mean “unanimity”
- Goal is to work towards a solution that is acceptable to everybody involved
- Sometimes you don't get what you want
- You can always make a new proposal

Creating a Proposal

- Everybody can create a policy proposal
- The working group chairs can help you
- The RIPE NCC can also help you write one
 - contact pdo@ripe.net (Emilio Madaio)

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Open Proposals



Post RIPE 64 Meeting

- Currently there are four open proposals
- Changes have been presented at RIPE 64
- We expect a few new proposals to be published over the coming weeks

- We will only present a summary here

<http://www.ripe.net/ripe/policies/current-proposals>



IPv4 Address Transfers

- 2012-01: “Inter-RIR Address Transfers”
- Policy proposal to enable the transfer of IPv4 addresses from one RIR to another
- Proposal intends to create a global market
- A lot of comments were made on the list:
 - People opposing to the idea of inter-RIR transfers
 - Objections to the wording, which suggest that IP addresses can be sold and therefor have a value

Summary of RIPE 64

- Proposer announced this will be withdrawn
- Together with Remco van Mook, worked on a new proposal:
 - Much simpler rules and wording
 - Allow for transfers to and from the RIPE NCC:
 - The transfer has to be in line with the transfer policy of the originating RIR
 - The receiving party has to qualify for the address space under the same rules as intra-RIR transfers



Fixing the RIPE Transfer Policy

- Current policy for transfers within the RIPE NCC service region has some unintended side effects
- The paragraph about justified need points to the general rules for allocations
- “Run Out Fairly” proposal was accepted later, bringing the evaluation period to three months
- Fix: In case of transfers, bring it back to 24 months



Current Status

- The suggestion now is to launch two new policy proposals as just described:
 - A New inter-RIR transfer policy
 - Fixing the times in the current transfer policy
- The current one will be withdrawn
- First comments already made during the meeting
- Waiting for the proposals to officially enter the policy development process

Provider Independent IPv4 in Last /8?

- “The Final /8 Policy” governs the use of the final block of addresses allocated to the RIPE NCC
 - Each member can get **one /22 allocation**
 - Only when they have an IPv6 (sub)allocation
 - Only when there is justified need
- There will be no PI Assignments from this block
 - Was discussed at the time of this proposal
- Nick Hilliard suggested this should be changed



Abuse Contact Management

- Ongoing discussion about the quality of the contact information in the RIPE Database
- Contacts for complaints are hard to find
- A task force was formed to address this and made a proposal to change this:
 - Introduce *abuse-c* attribute (similar to *tech-c*)
 - Have it point to a dedicated role object
- Discussion continues on how to enforce the data in this object to be correct at all times



Other Open Proposals

- Safeguarding future IXPs with IPv4
 - Have some special reservations for IXPs
- Changing IPv6 initial allocation size
 - Change the minimum from /32 to /29
- Have a look at the website or the archives of the Address Policy Working Group for details

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