

What is in an Activity Plan?

A Tale of History and Continuity

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What is the RIPE NCC?

- Bottom up industry self-regulatory structure
 - Open and transparent
 - Neutral and impartial
- Not for profit membership association
 - under Dutch law
 - Since 1997 (but active since 1992)
 - Funded by members, thus autonomous
 - Membership open to all interested parties
 - Membership elects Executive Board
 - Membership guides activities & budget
 - Membership approves fees ("Charging Scheme")
- Policies developed by industry at large
 - Through open policy processes during RIPE Meetings and on mailing lists.





What is the Activity Plan? Zooming into history...

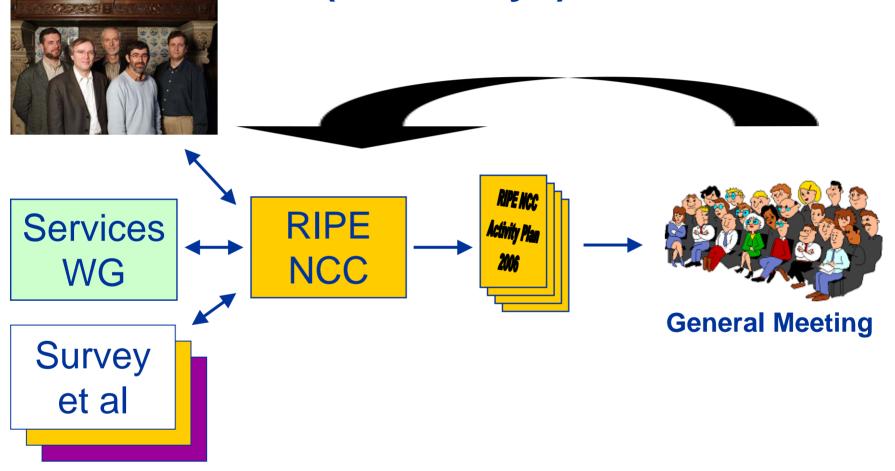
- ripe-35, R. Blokzijl, 5 May 1991
- What is missing there?

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- No Registration Services...!
- Although ripe-19 mentions RFC1174
- ripe-57 introduces "Delegated Internet Registry"



The Making of... (these days)



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What are the RIPE NCC's tasks?

- Co-ordination and provision of services for its members & RIPE community
 - Membership Services
 - Co-ordination Services
 - Information Services
- Operation of one of four Regional Internet Registries (RIRs)
 - Responsible stewardship of Internet Resources
 - IPv4, IPv6 addresses, ASNs
 - Allocation and Registration
 - ARIN, APNIC, LACNIC, RIPE NCC
 - Emerging: AfriNIC



Growth Prediction

- Not an activity as such, but..
- ...part of Activity Plan, Budget & Charging Scheme document combo
- It is difficult to predict anything,...

- Share load, increase hit rate, ...
- ... Involve Members!





• Focus 2004:

- Improve Quality of Service
- Supply timely & accurate information



Membership Services

- Serving members' requests for resources
- Reduce request fulfilment time
- Create effective communication channels
- Introduce web interfaces for RIPE NCC services
- Advise RIPE community on operational impact of policy proposals
- Co-ordinate implementation of new policies



Membership Services Training

- Continue traditional training courses
- Develop new training formats to...
 - Efficiently meet member demand
 - Reach new audiences
- Continue development of advance courses
 - Caveat: No competition with members!



Membership Services – Communication

- Talk NCC
 - Increased support via telephone
- Membership Liaison
 Officers





- Manage member liaison activities, such as...
- Regional Support Activities
 - Regional Meetings
 - Dubai 2003
 - Moscow, Nairobi 2004



Co-ordination Activities (Database)

- Simplified interaction
- Training & documentation
- Web interface
- "meet changing user needs"



Co-ordination (RIPE mtgs & Reporting)

- Organise three RIPE meetings in 2004
- Stimulate participation of community in IP policy making process and the technical coordination of IP networking



- Increase support for those who cannot attend
- Annual Report
- Member Update & E-mail reporting
- Re-structuring RIPE NCC website
 - Simplified navigation
 - Improved access to documents



Co-ordination (Internet Infrastructure)

- Deployment of security relevant technologies
 - DNSsec
 - Participation
 - Software evaluation
 - Training

• Operation of k.root-servers.net

- One of two European rootservers
 - As per ripe-35 (1991)
- Deploy anycast instances
- Support maintenance of nsd software



Co-ordination (External Relations)

• Inter-RIR co-ordination

- Policy development
- Joint reporting
- Number Resource Organisation (NRO)
- AfriNIC support
- Protect & promote open structures & processes
- Strengthen bottom-up, self-regulatory structure



Information Services

- Simple & Meaningful
- ... and still maintaining scientific credibility
- Statistical data on Resource Usage
 - And other statistics (hostcount, etc)
- Active Measurements
 - Including DNSMON & incident reporting
- Routing Information Service
- IS are targeted at
 - Members
 - Operators / community
 - "Outsiders": governments, journalists
- Strengthen bottom-up, self-regulatory structure



New Activities

- Ability to react to...
 - Changing environment
 - New requirements of members and other stakeholders
- Will be started only
 - ...after thorough needs analysis
 - ...with clear project plan, deliverables, budget & timeline

When?

What's

Where?



Questions

