

Background

- RIPE Task Force on Enhanced Cooperation Formation (2007)
 - Recommended formation of working group
- Cooperation WG first met in 2008
- Past Co-Chairs:
 - Martin Boyle, Nominet (2008)
 - Maria Häll, SE government/SUNET (2008-present)
 - Patrik Fältström, Cisco/Netnod (2009-2013)



Going Forward

Current Co-Chairs

- Maria Häll, SUNET (Served since 2008)
- Alain Van Gaever, OFCOM (Selected 2013)
- Meredith Whittaker, Google M-Lab (Selected 2013)

Our background:

- Range of public/private sectors,
- Technical/non-technical backgrounds

Role of co-chairs:

- Liaise between technical community and government/ policymakers
- Facilitate discussions and information flow



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- (1) To improve decision-making and mutual understanding by providing technical expertise to policy makers and the non-technical public.
- (2) To inform the RIPE community on relevant public policyrelated developments and governance processes.
- Why engage with us?
 - We perceive a gap between the technical and government/ policy community
 - How to bridge this gap?



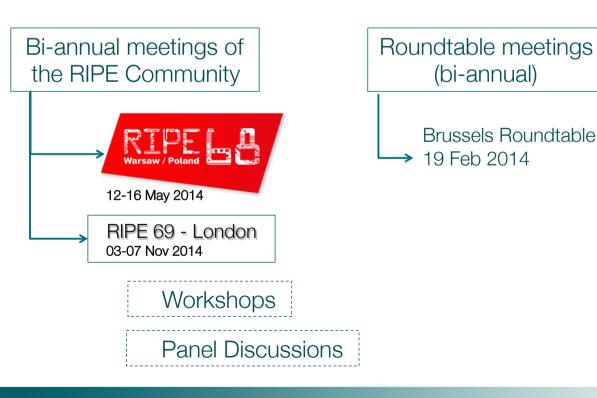
How we plan to achieve our aim

Government/Policy Community



Technical Community

- (1) To improve decision-making and mutual understanding by providing technical expertise
- (2) To inform the RIPE community on relevant public policy-related developments



Experts / Whitepapers

Workshops

Our main Working Group Activities

- Mailing list discussions
 - cooperation-wg@ripe.net
 - Open mailing list
- During bi-annual RIPE Meetings
 - Twice a year, 90-minute open session
 - Topical presentations
 - Panel discussions
 - RIPE NCC public affairs updates
- In future
 - Workshops?
 - Technical experts?



Suggested topics ...

- Suggested discussion topics going forward:
 - IP interconnection
 - Security and privacy of networks
 - Characteristics of global Internet
 - Interrelationships of physical infrastructure
 - IPv6
 - Roles and responsibilities of intermediaries
 - Content filtering (suggestion from the mailing list)



Participation

- Discussion most valuable when all interested stakeholders contribute:
 - Internet technical community
 - Network operators, private sector
 - Regulators, governments
 - Law enforcement agencies
 - Academia
 - Civil society
- Sharing perspectives and information to move toward better understanding

Your Input

- What are your priorities?
- Would you engage? Why (not)?
- What are your needs from engagement with the RIPE community?
- How would you like to see the Cooperation WG evolve?
 - New topics for discussion, new processes



