

Draft RIPE NCC Budget 2007

The budgeted costs for 2007 are 3% higher than the budgeted costs for 2006. This is mainly a result of the increased staff levels necessary to enable the RIPE NCC to expand its Membership Services and to improve its Information Services.

Statement of Income & Expenditure RIPE NCC

In kEUR	Budget		Actual	Difference	
Income	2007	2006	2005	2007/06	2007/05
Membership Fees	10,859	10,457	11,789	402	(930)
RIPE Meeting	227	246	243	(19)	(16)
Other Income	115	125	72	(10)	43
Total Income	11,201	10,828	12,104	373	(903)
Expenditure					
Personnel Expenses	6,975	6,450	5,857	525	1,118
Operating Expenses	2,788	2,897	2,327	(109)	461
RIPE Meeting	356	364	455	(8)	(99)
Training Courses	283	245	269	39	14
Regional Meetings	80	80	54	(1)	26
Depreciation	735	728	468	7	267
Subtotal	11,217	10,764	9,430	453	1,787
Miscellaneous Expenses	330	400	263	(70)	67
Financial Expenses	(341)	(285)	(273)	(56)	(68)
Total Expenses	11,206	10,879	9,420	327	1,786
Member Rebate	2,500	-	-	2,500	2,500
Surplus / Deficit	(2,505)	(51)	2,684	(2,454)	(5,189)

Following from the Charging Scheme 2007, a rebate of 2.5 MEUR will be redistributed to existing members. This leads to a substantial deficit in the budget for 2007 and a corresponding decrease in the excess reserves that have accumulated in the RIPE NCC Clearing House.

Development of RIPE NCC Reserves

The table below summarises the capital development of the RIPE NCC. The capital consists of the RIPE NCC reserves including the surplus / deficit for the year at issue.

Year	Surplus / Deficit	Capital at 31 December	Total expenses per year	% Capital of Total Expenses
2001	1,382	6,579	7,721	85 %
2002	(2,369)	4,210	10,442	40 %
2003	3,077	7,287	9,996	73 %
2004	2,698	9,986	9,739	103 %
2005	2,684	12,670	9,420	135 %
Estimated 2006	1,579	14,249	9,746	146 %
Budget 2007	(2,505)	11,744	11,206	105 %

Note: The total expenses for the Budget 2007 exclude the member rebate of 2.5 MEUR.

Expenses

The expenses per activity show an increase for Membership Services as a result of the implementation of the RIPE NCC Customer Service Desk. In addition, the continuation of the RIPE NCC's support for Internet Number Resource Certification contributes to the increase.

The expenses for Co-ordination Activities are in line with 2006. For 2007, the RIPE Meeting expenses include RIPE NCC staff expenses associated with the RIPE Meetings.

The overall expenditure for Information Services increases to improve this portfolio of services provided by the RIPE NCC. This includes developing more useful and ready-to-use products and providing RIPE NCC members with more comprehensive reporting.

Amounts in kEUR	Budget 2007		Budget 2006		Difference	
	Amount	%	Amount	%	Amount	%
Membership Services	6,871	61%	6,698	61%	173	3%
Co-ordination Activities	2,904	26%	2,893	27%	11	0%
Information Services	1,431	13%	1,288	12%	143	11%
Total Expenses	11,206		10,879		327	3%

The table below shows the new activity for 2007. The figures presented for this activity are the direct allocated costs and do not include an overhead or management fee.

Support for Internet Number Resource Certification	
221 kEUR in 2007	Capital expense 152 kEUR

Income and Fees per Billing Category (Based on the Proposed Charging Scheme)

Income	No. of registries	Fee	Amount in kEUR
New members			
Sign-up Fee	598	EUR 2,000	1,196
Service fee, Extra Small	598	EUR 1,300	389
Existing members			
Extra Small	935	EUR 1,300	1,216
Small	2,569	EUR 1,800	4,624
Medium	935	EUR 2,550	2,384
Large	187	EUR 4,100	767
Extra Large	47	EUR 5,500	258
Administration Fee	25	EUR 1,000	25
Total Membership fees			10,859

Note: Income received from new members is estimated at 50% of the service fee due to an equal spread of new members across the year.