



## **Memorandum of Understanding RIPE NCC and the European Internet Exchange Association**

The RIPE NCC and the European Internet Exchange Association (Euro-IX) hereby agree to formalize their relationship through this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) that outlines the scope of this relationship upon which both parties will collaborate.

Both parties recognize their shared interest in promoting:

- Internet exchange points (IXPs) as an essential element of the Internet ecosystem
- The deployment of IPv6 in order to ensure the future growth of the Internet
- Security as a key requirement for digital innovation and new technologies
- A bottom up, transparent and inclusive model as the most accountable and effective approach to Internet governance

Based on this shared interest, both parties will collaborate, as appropriate, by:

- Sharing best practices to assist the development of IXPs, while encouraging local communities of interest to maintain and sustain IXPs
- Promoting the use of IPv6 among IXPs and their participants
- Promoting the use of RIPE Atlas as a measurement tool for IXPs and their participants
- Participating in, contributing to and otherwise supporting each other's activities
- Regularly updating each other on activities of mutual interest
- Involving each other in projects of mutual interest

All collaboration is carried out on a voluntary basis by both of the parties. Respect for each party's independence is recognized and activities will be undertaken in the spirit of partnership to build Internet infrastructure and to extend the benefit of the Internet to all stakeholders.

MoU Term: one calendar year from date of signature. The term is automatically extended by one year at a time, unless one of the parties gives notice to the other party, at least six months before the scheduled termination date, of its intention not to extend the MoU. Such notice must be given by means of a written notice sent to the other party.

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