



RIPE NCC
RIPE NETWORK COORDINATION CENTRE

RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2027

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The RIPE NCC is a **membership association**, not a for-profit organisation

The purpose of a membership association is to serve the best interests of the membership as a whole

The members' fees support the organisation and its mission

The charging scheme is the mechanism we use to do this

The Task at Hand



May General Meeting

- This is where we decide how the **cake should be split (Charging Scheme)**

October General Meeting

- This is where we decide on the **size of the cake (Activity Plan and Budget)**





Charging Scheme Background

Development of Charging Scheme 2027 Proposal



August 2024: Charging Scheme Task Force formed - 20 meetings from August 2024 to October 2025

October 2024: Progress report at the General Meeting

May 2025: Presentation at the General Meeting

July 2025: Report sent to the Executive Board

July 2025: RIPE NCC Charging Scheme Task Force 2024 Report published

October 2025: Task Force consulted on proposed models

December 2025 - March 2026: Charging Scheme consultation on three draft models

April 2026: Two Charging Scheme models published



Issues Raised

- The work of the Task Force made previous issues more visible, enabling a more informed and transparent discussion
- Opened a broader conversation on IP holdings, Legacy resources and other charging issues that the one LIR account-one fee model did not expose
- The process triggered member discussion around historical inconsistencies and perceived inequities
- Many of the issues raised (e.g. historical allocations, legacy holdings) are **policy** questions
- These should not be resolved through the charging scheme and therefore **fall outside its scope**



Addressing Task Force Principles in the Category Model

- Differentiation in fees based on allocated resources (IPv4 and IPv6)
- Sufficient categories to allow gradual increases
- Charge for IPv6 without disincentivising take-up
- Provide one free ASN per LIR account
- Separate the IPv4 Legacy charge from the PI charge

Principles Needing Further Discussion

- Charging per member vs Charging per LIR account
- Legacy charges
- PI charges
- Resource transfer fees



Charging Scheme Direction

The Category Model would allow for further evolution as needed

Further refinement would be possible as complexities are better understood

Provides a more flexible basis for future adjustments (e.g. adjustments per category)

Both models can accommodate additional fees (e.g. transfer fees) if needed

Creates opportunities to bring income outside the membership fees



Charging Scheme Options A and B



One LIR Account - One Fee

- Continues the current model
- Based on members paying an annual fee per LIR account
- Would increase the fee per LIR account to EUR 1,894
- Introduces EUR 75 fee per Legacy IPv4 resource registration based on direct contract with the RIPE NCC
- First ASN assignment included in the annual fee
- Sign-up fee of EUR 1,000 per LIR account remains



Category Model

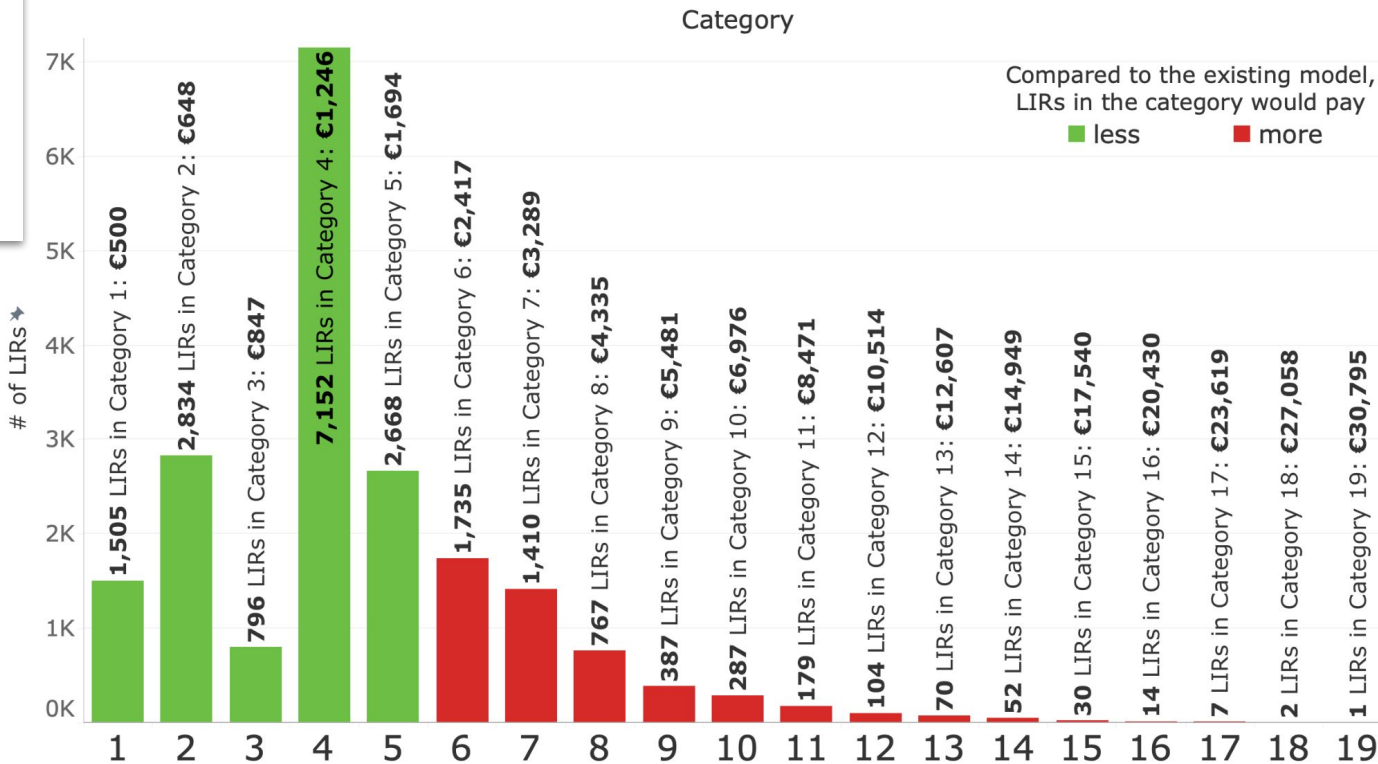
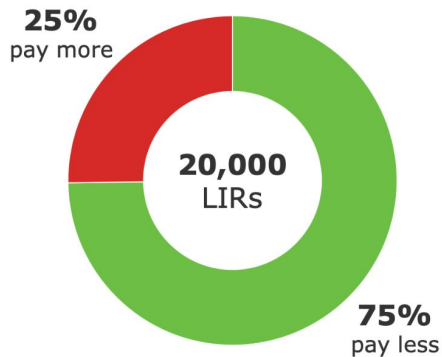
- Based on members paying an annual fee per LIR account
- 21 LIR account categories based on either IPv4 or IPv6 PA resources
- All members pay a fee of at least EUR 500 (Category 1) per LIR account
- Introduces EUR 75 fee per Legacy IPv4 resource registration based on direct contract with the RIPE NCC
- First ASN assignment included in the annual fee
- Sign-up fee of EUR 1,000 per LIR account remains

Option B



Category	Fee (EUR)	IPv4	IPv6
1	500	None	/29 or smaller
2	648	0 up to /23	Larger than /29 up to /28
3	847	/23 up to /22	/28 up to /27
4	1,246	/22 up to /21	/27 up to /26
5	1,694	/21 up to /20	/26 up to /25
6	2,417	/20 up to /19	/25 up to /24
7	3,289	/19 up to /18	/24 up to /23
8	4,335	/18 up to /17	/23 up to /22
9	5,481	/17 up to /16	/22 up to /21
10	6,976	/16 up to /15	/21 up to /20
11	8,471	/15 up to /14	/20 up to /19
12	10,514	/14 up to /13	/19 up to /18
13	12,607	/13 up to /12	/18 up to /17
14	14,949	/12 up to /11	/17 up to /16
15	17,540	/11 up to /10	/16 up to /15
16	20,430	/10 up to /9	/15 up to /14
17	23,619	/9 up to /8	/14 up to /13
18	27,058	/8 up to /7	/13 up to /12
19	30,795	/7 up to /6	/12 up to /11
20	34,881	/6 up to /5	/11 up to /10
21	39,864	/5 or larger	/10 or larger

Charging Scheme Option B



2027 Budget Income in kEUR



In kEUR	Category	1 LIR 1 Fee	2026
Fees - Existing members	38,290	37,880	36,000
ASN fees	900	900	1,560
Independent Internet Number Resource Assignment fees	1,463	1,463	1,515
Legacy IPv4 Internet Resource Fee for Members	173	173	-
Category or 1 LIR 1 Fee new members	150	568	540
Reopening fees	25	17	25
Member Fees Total	41,000	41,000	39,640
Members Sign-up fees	600	600	600
RIPE Meeting	300	300	300
Other Income	600	600	600
Total Income	42,500	42,500	41,140

Model Comparison



In kEUR	Category	1 LIR 1 Fee	2026
Member Fees Total	41,000	41,000	39,640
Total Income	42,500	42,500	41,140
Average member fee per LIR account	2,050 EUR	2,050 EUR	1,982 EUR
Average total fee per LIR account	2,125 EUR	2,125 EUR	2,057 EUR
Budget # of LIR accounts	20,000	20,000	20,000
Fee per LIR account	N/A	1,894 EUR	1,800 EUR
% Fee Increase per LIR account	N/A	5.22%	-
Increase in total income from 2026 (Based on 2025 Dutch Inflation)	3.3%	3.3%	-

Model Comparison



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Fees - Existing members	38,290	37,880	36,000

One LIR Account - One Fee - simple number of LIR accounts x LIR account fee

- 2027 $20,000 \times 1,894 = 37,880$ kEUR
- 2026 $20,000 \times 1,800 = 36,000$ kEUR
- Simple and predictable

Category, more equitable, but with more uncertainty

- Member PA resource holdings will change over time, increasing uncertainty on income
- This uncertainty is compensated for by more possibilities to adapt
 - One LIR account-One Fee model means one fee can be changed
 - Category model provides 21 categories with limits per category
 - Categories prices can be tweaked per category

From two separate fees to three

- Separating Legacy from PI provides more opportunities for specific changes

Model Comparison: Separate Fees



In kEUR	Category	1 LIR 1 Fee	2026
ASN fees	900	900	1,560
ASN fees input	18,000 * EUR 50	18,000 * EUR 50	31,200 * EUR 50
Independent Internet Number Resource Assignment Fees	1,463	1,463	1,515
Independent Internet Number Resource Assignment Fees Input	19,500 * EUR 75	19,500 * EUR 75	20,200 * EUR 75
Legacy IPv4 Internet Resource Fee for Members	173	173	-
Legacy IPv4 Internet Resource Fee for Members Input	(700+1,600) *EUR 75	(700+1,600) *EUR 75	N/A
Income from new members	150	568	540
New member Input	600 * EUR 250	600 * 947 EUR	600 * 900 EUR
Reopening fees	25	17	25
Reopening fees Input	25 * EUR 1,000	17 * EUR 1,000	25 * EUR 1,000
Members Fees Total	41,000	41,000	39,640



Board Recommendation



The Board recommends that members vote for Option B - Category Model

- This model implements most of the principles from the Charging Scheme Task Force
- It allows for the other principles to be introduced gradually in the coming years
- Would see fees reduced for approximately 75% of LIR accounts

A Clear Choice for Members



Change or Stay As We Are?

Equality with Option A - We continue as we have done for over a decade, with all members contributing the same fee per LIR account to fund the work of the RIPE NCC

Equity with Option B - We change our approach, with members making an annual contribution linked to the amount of PA resources allocated to them

Option B addresses the feedback we've heard from members in a way that guarantees stability and allows for evolution where needed



Resolution 3:

Option A: “The General Meeting adopts the RIPE NCC Charging Scheme Model A”


Option B: “The General Meeting adopts the RIPE NCC Charging Scheme Model B”

Charging Scheme Vote



Important

Sign out



RIPE NCC General Meeting
May 2026

Time left to vote: 39:07

Resolution 3 Your vote has a weight of 10

Vote for your preferred Charging Scheme model. There are two options to choose from: [Model A \(One LIR Account-One Fee Model\)](#) or [Model B \(Category Model\)](#).

Step 1: Make your choice for ballot 1
You can assign your choices up to 10 ballots. ⓘ

The General Meeting adopts the RIPE NCC Charging Scheme Model A See Model A: One LIR Account-One Fee	<input type="checkbox"/>
The General Meeting adopts the RIPE NCC Charging Scheme Model B See Model B: Category Model	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>

Select one (1) option.

Confirm Selection

Model A = One LIR Account - One Fee model

Model B = Category model



Questions & Comments



THANK YOU!