

RIPE NCC Update: Navigating True North

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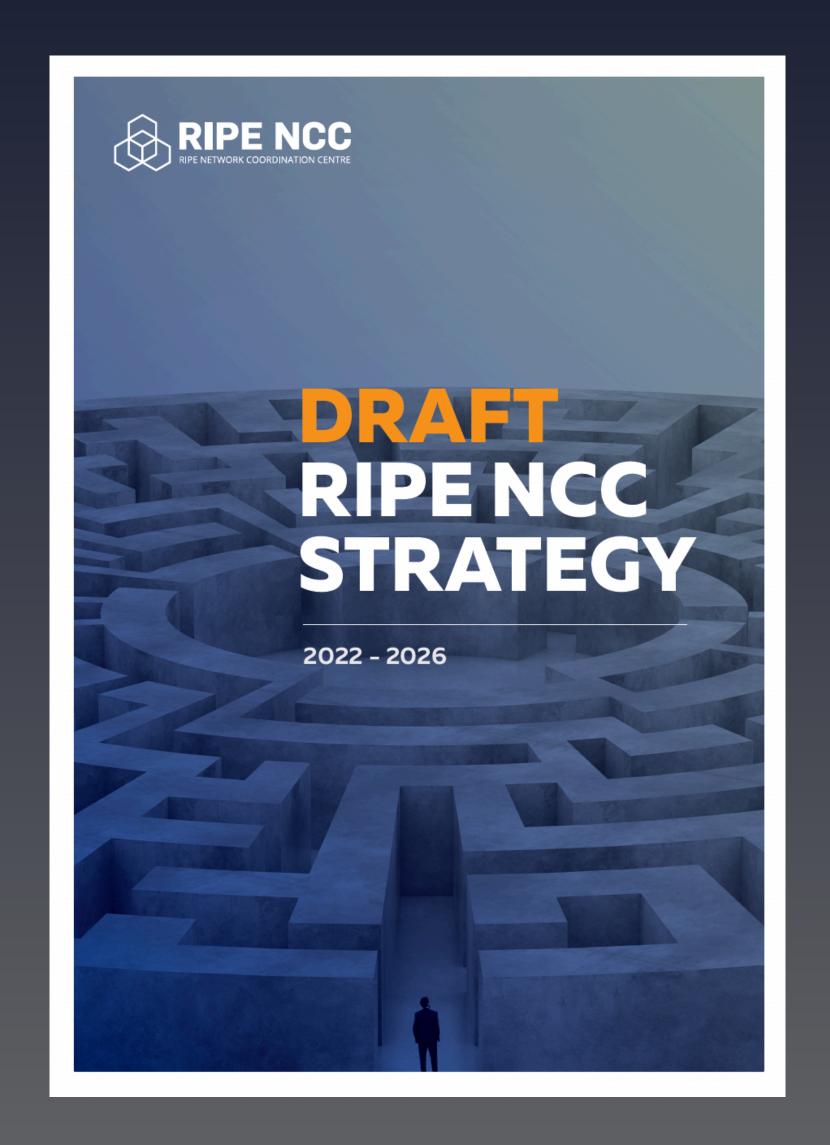
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Mapping the Way Forward



- Draft RIPE NCC strategy that looks ahead to the next five years
- Provides direction to strengthen our position within the Internet ecosystem
- Will feed into Activity Plans and Annual Reports

https://www.ripe.net/draft-strategy-2022-2026



Strategy Overview



- Sets out the Vision, Mission and Values
- Factors that influence the RIPE NCC
- RIPE NCC Strengths
- Sets out how the strategy will be implemented
- Sets out five Strategic Objectives





Vision

"Together, let's shape the future of the Internet"

Mission



- As an authority on unique Internet number resources, we enable people to operate and develop the Internet
- As the Secretariat for the RIPE community, we are a trusted steward of the open, inclusive, collaborative Internet model, engaging and connecting people and communities
- As a neutral source of information and knowledge, we actively contribute to the stability and evolution of the Internet

Strategic Objectives



- 1. Support an open, inclusive and engaged RIPE community
- 2. Operate a trusted, efficient, accurate and resilient Registry
- 3. Enable our members and community to operate one secure, stable and resilient global Internet
- 4. Maintain a stable organisation with a robust governance structure
- 5. Attract engaged, competent and diverse staff

Activity Plan and Budget



- Our activities for the coming year are outlined in the Activity Plan and Budget
- We publish the draft version in autumn
- Get involved: share your input at the GM or on the mailing lists
- The final version is published in December
- The plan is divided into four pillars:
 - The Registry
 - Information Services
 - External Engagement and Community
 - Maintaining a Strong Organisation

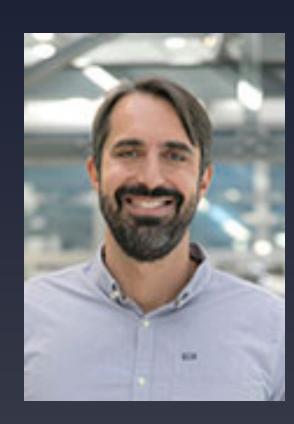


Management Team





Hans Petter Holen, Managing Director



Felipe Victolla Silveira, Chief Operations Officer



Kaveh Ranjbar, Chief Information Officer



Hisham Ibrahim, Chief Community Officer



Daniella Coutinho, Executive Assistant



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Athina Fragkouli, Chief Legal Officer





"Deliver world-class services while engaging to connect people to maintain the resiliency and stability of the Internet."



What we've been working on

Registry Update

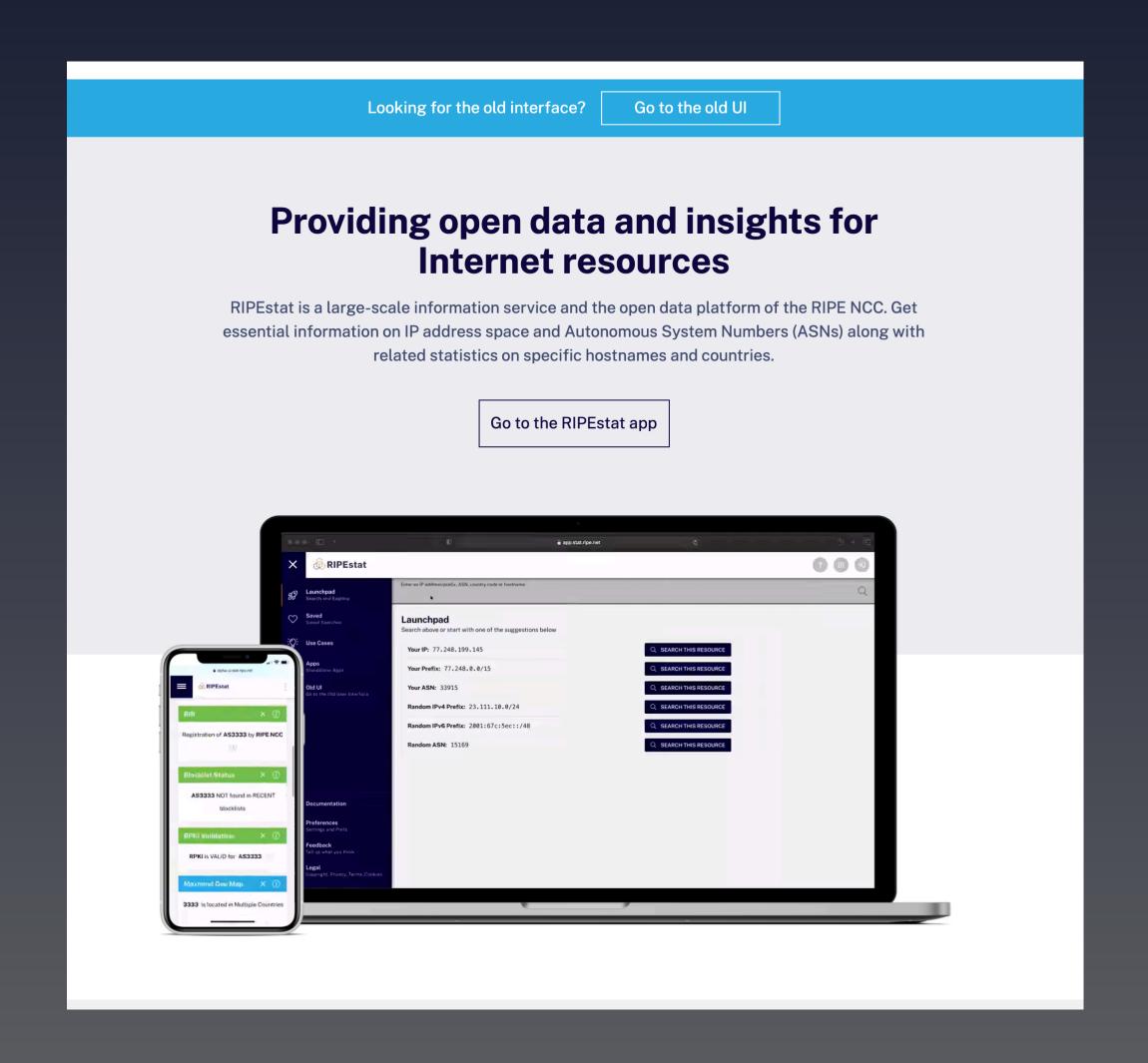


- Sharp increase in the number of transfers in the last year
- Extra work from EU sanction compliance
- We have increased staff levels for Registry Services
- Looking at ways to improve efficiency and response times
- Long-term solution involves automation and digitisation of the Registry
- Continue to automate member checks against EU sanctions list to improve wait times

Improving User Experience



- Overall Aims
 - Consistent across all applications
- Making it easier to use
- · In 2020 and 2021:
 - New header and menu structure
 - Promotional pages
 - New documentation



We want your feedback!

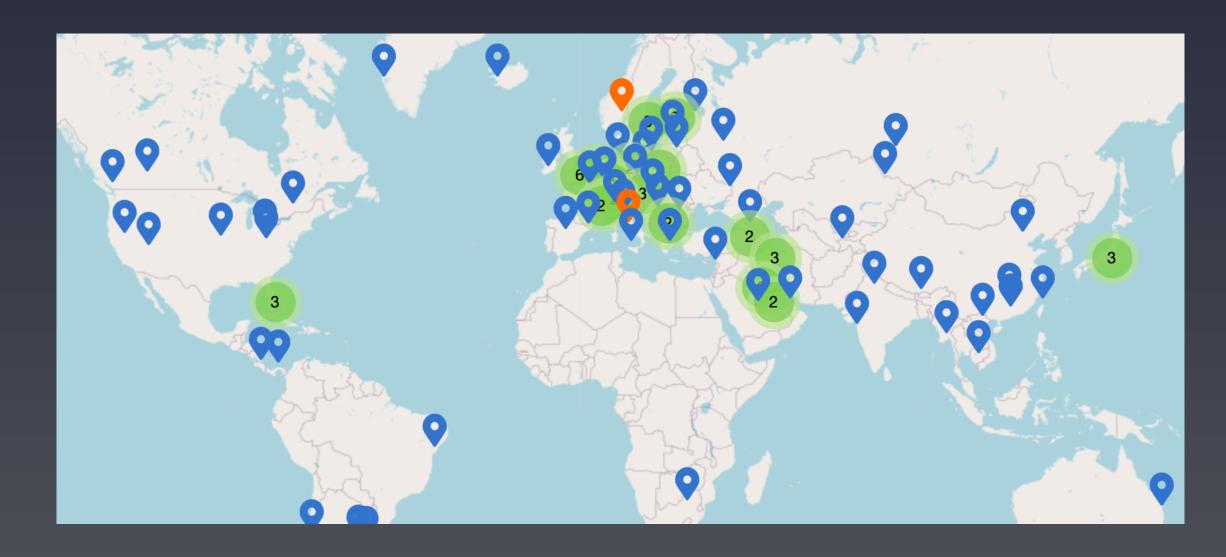


- Now it's time to hear from users and see if we're on the right track:
 - User surveys (first one was in September)
 - User interviews (started in November)
 - Iterating based on user feedback received (ongoing)
- Sign up to provide feedback at: ripe.net/s/usability

AuthDNS



- The community can now host an AuthDNS instance in their own network
- Benefits include:
 - Faster access to all reverse delegations
 - Improved fault tolerance
 - Improved latency for all reverse DNS lookups
- You can apply to host an AuthDNS node: https://hosted-dns.ripe.net/



Please consider hosting an AuthDNS node!

Become a RIPE Atlas Sponsor



Building a Better Network:

- We have more than 11,100 probes spread out across 5,000+ ASNs in 169 countries
- Next year we will begin distributing new version five hardware probes to maintain the network

Call for sponsors:

- Our goal is to cover at least the top five ASNs from each of the underrepresented regions
- Sponsorship helps us expand the RIPE Atlas network
- We have improved our sponsorship packages with more benefits, exposure and incentives



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The Community Projects Fund



- Over 30 projects have been funded for the 'good of the Internet'
- Funding of EUR 250,000 to support projects of value to the operation, resilience and sustainability of the Internet
- Call for applications this year opened in June
- 20 applications were received from 16 countries
- Nine projects have been selected for 2021 funding
- Projects awarded from EUR 10k to EUR 50k
- Read more about the projects at:

https://www.ripe.net/support/cpf/funding-recipients-2021

Keep E-learning With Us

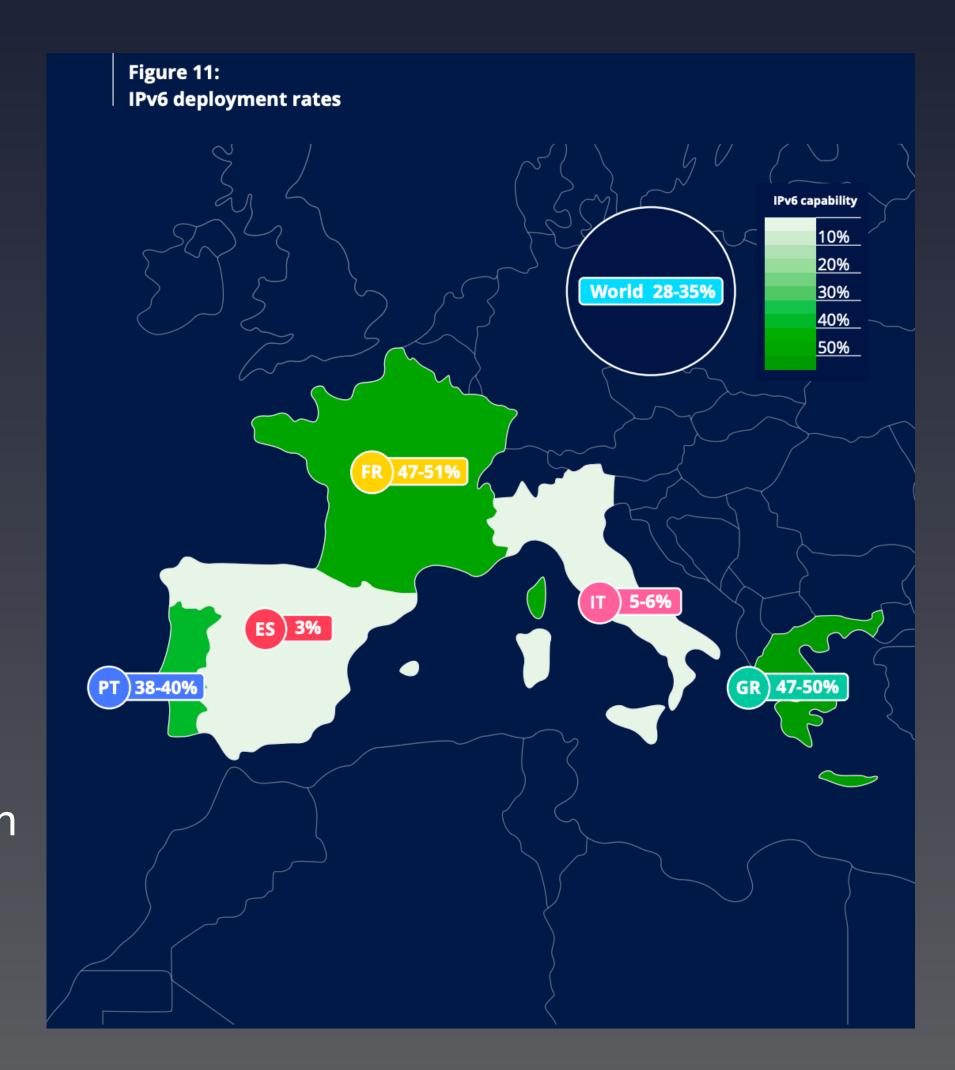


- RIPE NCC Certified Professionals: IPv6 Security Expert exam is now live
- RIPE NCC Academy has new content:
 - Updated version of the IPv6 online course
 - IPv6 Security online course
 - *New* virtual lab activities and environment
- E-learning will remain an important part of our training programme post COVID-19



Internet Country Report: Mediterranean Europe

- Looked at the Internet landscape in Portugal, Spain, France, Italy and Greece
- First report translated (five languages)
- Key findings include:
 - IPv4 shortage is less of an issue in this region
 - IPv6 capacity varies greatly among the five countries
 - Routing is generally quite optimised with some anomalies
 - There is a highly developed Internet landscape, healthy market competition and robust, resilient Internet infrastructure
- Next report: Malta, Cyprus and Israel



Language Support



- We created a translated wiki: https://translated.ripe.net/
- Languages: Turkish, Farsi,
 Spanish, Italian, Russian and Arabic
- Focus initially on practical information for members
- Still a work in progress, more to come!



Sanctions Update



- We are subject to EU sanctions regulations
 - Cannot make further Internet number resources available to sanctioned entities
 - Any resources that have already been registered to sanctioned entities must be frozen in the RIPE Database
 - We do not have to deregister resources in these cases
- Improved and automated our monitoring of membership information against EU sanctions
- First quarterly sanctions transparency report published:
 - https://www.ripe.net/publications/docs/ripe-768/
- Update on RIPE Labs:
 - https://labs.ripe.net/author/athina/how-sanctions-affect-the-ripe-ncc/
- Talks with our banks are ongoing they have their own compliance obligations
 - Invoices for 67 members in Iran and Syria continue to be postponed

Ongoing Efforts



- Registry accuracy
- RPKI resilience
- Faster responses to members
- Quarterly planning roadmaps
- Cloud strategy and defining criticality
- Improving user experience

- Hosted node support for AuthDNS
- Developing e-learning and virtual training
- Certified Professionals
- Hybrid outreach and engagement
- Assessing staff travel

Looking towards 2022



Goals for the coming year:

- Maintaining an accurate registry
- Strengthening our RPKI and RIPE Database infrastructure
- Security, risk management and compliance
- Effective engagement and outreach
- Supporting the RIR system and the wider Internet governance ecosystem
- An effective and sustainable organisation



Questions



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