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# Charging Scheme for Legacy Internet Resource Holders

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# Background



- The policy “RIPE NCC Services to Legacy Internet Resource Holders” was implemented in 2014
- Sign-up fee of EUR 2,000 was waived for legacy Internet resource holders who wanted to become RIPE NCC members
- The intent of the policy was to ensure RIPE Database accuracy and give clarity to legacy Internet resource holders regarding RIPE NCC services

# Exploitation of a Loophole



- Some entities appeared to be exploiting a loophole in the current Charging Scheme:
  - Obtain very small blocks of legacy IPv4 resources (in some cases as little as a /29)
  - Open an LIR account and obtain an IPv4 /22 allocation without having to pay the sign-up fee
- The RIPE NCC Executive Board determined this to be contrary to the intent of the waiver:
  - Gives unfair advantage to these entities
  - Could result in faster depletion of the IPv4 pool

# Executive Board Resolution



- On 9 September 2016, the board decided to take temporary measures to resolve this issue
  - The membership sign-up fee is no longer waived for holders of legacy Internet resources
  - Holders of legacy Internet resources can continue to register their resources and become RIPE NCC members
- Members were asked to discuss the matter on the Members Discuss mailing list
  - All relevant comments supported the resolution

# General Meeting Resolution



- The board proposes to amend the Charging Scheme for the rest of 2016 and for 2017
- The proposed amendments:
  - Would not affect legacy Internet resource holders from registering their number resources with the RIPE NCC
  - Would **only** impose a sign-up fee **if** a legacy Internet resource holder requested any additional number resources after becoming a member of the RIPE NCC

# General Meeting Resolution



- We are now asking for your decision at this GM via the resolution to be voted on...
- The resolution:
  - *“The General Meeting adopts the amendments to the RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2016 and RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2017. The amendments will take effect from the closing of this General Meeting onward and will have no retrospective effect.”*



# Questions



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