

# RIPE Policy Development Process (PDP)

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# Overview

- What is the PDP?
- Roles (WG Chairs, RIPE NCC)
- How to be involved?

# What, Who, How?

- What: Policies
  - As in guidelines
  - As in recommendations
  - As in Best Common Practice (BCP)
- Who makes them: you
  - Open to everybody
- How: Principles
  - Transparent
  - Documented
  - Consensus

# Formalised PDP

- Documented in ripe-350
  - <http://www.ripe.net/ripe/docs/pdp.html>
- Currently 10 proposals using the process

# Problems

- The formalised process solves
  - What's being discussed?
  - What's its status?
  - Keeping things moving smoothly

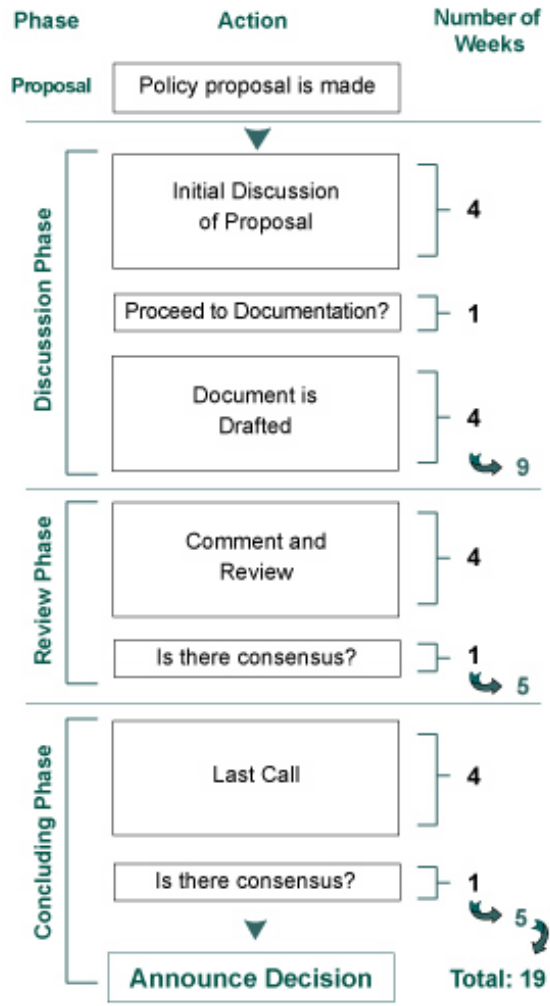
# PDP Phases - I

- Creating a proposal
  - Start discussion at any time
  - Proposal template
- Discussion Phase
  - Starts when the proposal submitted is announced
  - WG Mailing List
  - RIPE WG Meetings
  - Chair set the deadline (not less than 4 weeks)

# PDP Phases - II

- Review Phase
  - Consensus declared by Chairs
  - Not more than 4 weeks
- Concluding Phase
  - After review and consensus
  - Chair calls for “Last Call for Comments”
  - Lasts 4 weeks
  - Chair decides on consensus

# PDP in diagram





# Roles: WG Chairs

- Approves start of PDP
- Chairs the discussions
- Decides on consensus

# Roles: RIPE NCC

- Secretariat
- Administering proposals
  - Editorial help in drafting a proposal if requested
- Publication
  - <http://www.ripe.net/ripe/policies/proposals/>
  - <http://www.ripe.net/ripe/policies/proposals/archive/>
- Tracking deadlines, announcements

# Accessible Information

- Overview and archive on web site
  - What's being discussed?
  - What's its status?

## Current Policy Proposals

Name	Number	Submission Date	Current Phase	Current Status	Phase Ends	Action By	Suggested Working Group
<a href="#">HD-ratio proposal</a>	2005-01	2 February 2005	Concluding	OPEN FOR DISCUSSION Last Call	15 July 2005	Hans Petter Holen	<a href="#">Address Policy</a>

**Summary:** The proposal is to change the further allocation criteria for IPv4 as described in [RIPE-324](#): "IPv4 Address Allocation and Assignment Policies for the RIPE NCC Service Region".

<a href="#">IP Assignments for anycasting DNS</a>	2005-02	4 March 2005	Discussion	OPEN FOR DISCUSSION Awaiting Documentation	TBD	Andreas Baess	<a href="#">Address Policy</a>
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**Summary:** To enable ccTLD and gTLD nameserver operators to provide their DNS service using shared unicast technology, RIPE NCC is able to assign one IPv4 and IPv6 prefix per operator that is not likely to be filtered by common practise for anycast-operation of their DNS services.

# Influencing Policies

- Number resources distribution
  - Address Policy WG
- Database operations
  - Database WG
- RIPE NCC stuff
  - RIPE NCC Services WG
- Operations
  - Anti-Spam WG
  - DNS WG
  - IPv6 WG
  - Routing WG

# How to be involved?

- Make a proposal?
  - <http://www.ripe.net/ripe/docs/pdp.html>
- Track what's going on
  - [policy-announce@ripe.net](mailto:policy-announce@ripe.net)
  - <http://www.ripe.net/mailman/listinfo/policy-announce>
  - <https://www.ripe.net/ripe/maillists/archives/policy-announce/2005/index.html>
- Contribute to the discussions
  - WG mailing lists
  - RIPE Meetings (jabber, irc)

# Questions?