



RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2020

Options Overview

This document should be read in conjunction with the following documents:

- [RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2020 Option A](#)
- [RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2020 Option B](#)

To provide members with more than one charging scheme model to choose from for 2020, the RIPE NCC Executive Board is proposing two options that members can vote on at the RIPE NCC General Meeting May 2019.

Option A is the existing “one LIR account-one fee” model that has been used since 2013. Option B is an alternative model that combines a variable, per registration charge with a fixed annual LIR account fee. The board is offering Option B as a clear alternative to the existing model following many requests from the membership in recent years to have more choice in determining the model that is used to charge members. The Board recognises that there have been requests to charge members based on IPv4 resources that they hold. However, the Board has identified a number of risks in proposing such a charging scheme model and therefore believes that Option B provides a real alternative while ensuring the financial stability of the RIPE NCC.

Members are encouraged to discuss the charging scheme options on the RIPE NCC Membership Discussion mailing list (members-discuss@ripe.net). There will also be a presentation and discussion on the charging scheme options at the RIPE NCC General Meeting on 22 May 2019. Members will then vote on their preferred option and whichever one receives an absolute majority of votes will be adopted as the RIPE NCC Charging Scheme 2020.

The Executive Board supports continuing with the existing Charging Scheme model. The Board believes that the existing charging scheme model provides the most equality between members, matches the organisation’s governance model and is the simplest model for members.

Option A continues the existing RIPE NCC Charging Scheme with the principle of “one LIR account-one fee” (no change). The fee is proposed to be EUR 1,400 per LIR account.

Option B is a new charging scheme model. The membership has expressed a wish to have an alternative charging scheme to consider. In line with this, the Executive Board puts forward this new option which is variable and is based on the number of registrations a member holds, as specified in the document. It is proposed that members would pay an annual fee of EUR 1,150 per LIR account plus EUR 50 for each registration they hold.

Billing and Invoicing (same protocol for both options)

For both options A and B, the billing and invoicing methods are the same. Member billing parameters for 2020 are based on member data gathered on 30 September 2019. All members will be notified of their annual fee for 2020 and invoices will be sent in the beginning of 2020.



Sign-up Fees (same protocol for both options)

For both options A and B, the sign-up fees for new LIR accounts are the same – EUR 2,000.

Legacy Internet Resource Holder Fees (same protocol for both options)

For both options A and B, the sections relating to Legacy Internet Resource Holder fees are the same. The fee for Legacy Internet Resource Holders that engage in a direct agreement with the RIPE NCC is identical to the annual fee per LIR account for this year. There is no sign-up fee for Legacy Internet Resource Holders that conclude a separate direct agreement with the RIPE NCC. There is no sign-up fee for Legacy Internet Resource Holders that become members and do not request any additional Internet number resources from the RIPE NCC. If a Legacy Internet Resource Holder requests additional Internet number resources after becoming a member, the sign-up fee will be charged at this later stage, and in a way identical to that in which the membership sign-up fee is charged.