Who Are We?

- RIPE NCC Executive Board members:
  - Fahad AlShirawi (Member)
  - Dmitry Burkov (ICANN Liaison)
  - Christian Kaufmann (Secretary)
  - Remco van Mook (Treasurer)
  - Nigel Titley (Chairman)

- János Zsakó (Advisor)
What The Board Does And Does Not Do

• Is elected by the membership to represent its interests and steer the course of the association
• Governs the RIPE NCC’s operations, including the Budget and activities of the RIPE NCC
• It is the General Meeting (GM) that approves the Charging Scheme (Membership fees)
• The Board has no influence on the policies of the RIPE community
Executive Board Meetings

- Executive Board Meetings since RIPE 66 (May 2013):
  - 25 June 2013
  - 27 August 2013

- To further increase transparency, we now publish a summary of the Executive Board Meeting decisions after each meeting

- We also publish the full Executive Board Meeting minutes
Board Decisions: June 2013

- Approved transparency report on LEA requests
- Approved changes to the format of the Activity Plan and Budget
- Approved enhanced regional presence plans and costs
- Approved reduction in RIPE Meeting fee to EUR 350
Board Decisions: August 2013

• Approved updated versions of Transfer and Closure documents
• Tasked the RIPE NCC to increase scrutiny on hijackings
• Preparations for GM:
  - Changes to Articles of Association
  - Draft Activity Plan and Budget
  - Updated version of Arbitration Procedure
Ongoing Work

• Continuing discussions with the tax authorities on Clearing House and reserve levels

• Draft Activity Plan and Budget 2014:
  - Getting and applying feedback
  - Final document approved and published in December

• Treasury management and planning
Ongoing Work

- Supervision of RIPE NCC Management
- Ensuring organisational transparency at all levels
- Liaison with other RIR Boards
- Liaison with membership and the RIPE community
- Representing the RIPE NCC at other events
We are Open for Discussions

• In all aspects of its work, the Board looks for input, feedback and comments from the membership

• Some interaction must be formal
  - Based on Articles of Association

• Interaction with the Board can also be informal
  - Talk to us
  - Or send us mail (exec-board@ripe.net)

• Meet-the-Board events (last Monday evening)
Feedback Channels for the Board

• The members-discuss mailing list
  - We closely follow the discussion there
  - This list is for members – the Board and RIPE NCC staff do not post there unless it’s to provide information

• Direct email access to the Board:
  - exec-board@ripe.net

• General Meetings twice a year

• Membership surveys

• Elections – the ballot box is a great feedback mechanism!
Questions?