NRO NC

RIPE 90 BoF Outcomes

Reporting Back

15 May 2025

Quick Recap

- The consultation on the draft "RIR Governance Document" opened on 14 April and will close on Tuesday, 27 May (yes, next Tuesday!)
- There was a RIPE NCC Open House on 29 April
- We held a BoF on ICP-2 on Monday, 12 May to hear your feedback
- We also presented the document during the Address Policy Working Group session on Wednesday, 15 May

So what are we doing here?

What We Heard at RIPE 90

- There was feedback on the language and tone of the document

- Concerns about the level of detail and implementation

- And larger philosophical approaches to this topic

Document Structure and Language

- The document needs to have goals
- It reads more like a contract
- It varies between high level principles and mechanics at a more operational level
- The language is inconsistent (musts/shoulds) and could be softened, some parts should be more precise ("geographic area")
- The prescriptive tone contradicts the community-driven nature of RIRs

Decision-Making Concerns

- The opinions on unanimity are not unanimous

- Several of you suggested using majority-based models

- The current model assumes good faith by all parties, this assumption of acting in good faith is being questioned

- There needs to be greater clarity on decision-making criteria: which criteria should apply to each decision point

Applicability Across Regions

- There are currently regional differences, we need to consider a basic set of features that are common to all registries or to be recognised as a registry (e.g. whether a natural person can be a member)

- The prescriptive language could lead a casual reader to assume that there are new obligations being imposed from outside the regional bottom-up, community-driven process

- Challenging to reconcile the historic view of the community grounding with the language of the document

Implementation

- Business continuity plans are important, details like escrow are less so

- How would a handover from one RIR to another work?
  - Whose policies will apply?
  - How will policy differences be addressed?
  - Who will actually take charge?

- What are the decision-making thresholds? How do we gauge support?
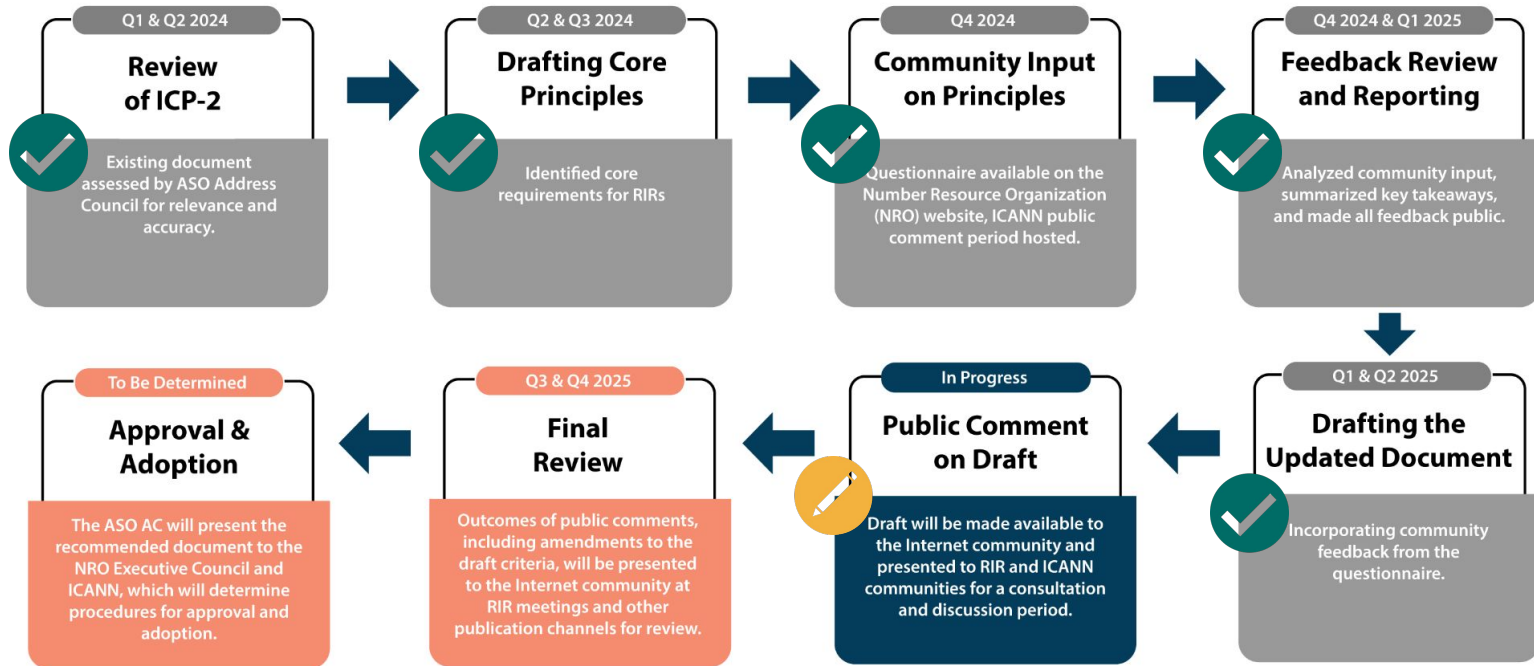
- How is impact measured?

The Big Picture

- The document needs to reflect and safeguard the values of the RIR communities - stability, stewardship, fairness, community, bottom-up, inclusive, representative…

- The role and relationship between the RIRs, the NRO, and ICANN needs to be clarified

- Be clear about what it is that we want from this document

What Next

- Take your feedback to the NRO NC

- Summarise, cluster and and categorise the feedback

- The NRO NC will discuss the feedback during ICANN 83, 9-12 June
  - We will discuss your concerns
  - Work on the second draft

- The aim is to share the second draft ahead of the RIR meetings in the latter half of the year

ICP-2 Review Timeline

Q1 & Q2 2024	Q2 & Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q4 2024 & Q1 2025
Review of ICP-2	**Drafting Core Principles**	**Community Input on Principles**	**Feedback Review and Reporting**
Existing document assessed by ASO Address Council for relevance and accuracy.	Identified core requirements for RIRs	Questionnaire available on the Number Resource Organization (NRO) website, ICANN public comment period hosted.	Analyzed community input, summarized key takeaways, and made all feedback public.

To Be Determined	Q3 & Q4 2025	In Progress	Q1 & Q2 2025
Approval & Adoption	**Final Review**	**Public Comment on Draft**	**Drafting the Updated Document**
The ASO AC will present the recommended document to the NRO Executive Council and ICANN, which will determine procedures for approval and adoption.	Outcomes of public comments, including amendments to the draft criteria, will be presented to the Internet community at RIR meetings and other publication channels for review.	Draft will be made available to the Internet community and presented to RIR and ICANN communities for a consultation and discussion period.	Incorporating community feedback from the questionnaire.

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Draft "RIR Governance Document"

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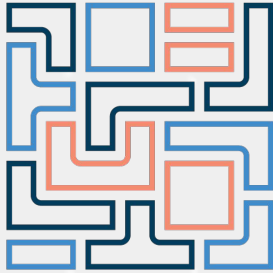
Guidance for Feedback

- Please share feedback that is specific to this draft
- We are particularly interested in hearing your views on the new requirements in the draft
- Whether the draft provides sufficient clarity regarding the ongoing obligations of an RIR and the remediation steps if the obligations are not met
- This document does not address the implementation of the RIR criteria; comments on implementation will be considered out of scope
- Constructive comments are highly appreciated

ICP-2 Review Timeline (reminder)
The Draft "RIR Governance Document" Consultation

14 April 2025	• Draft "**RIR RIR Governance Document**" published • RIR consultations in each region and ICANN Public Comment proceeding launched
27 May 2025	Public consultation closes
9-12 June 2025	ASO AC will review feedback received
September 2025	The **revised "RIR Governance"** document will be published
Q4 2025	• Final review and revision of updated document • Begin NRO and ICANN approval and adoption process

Thank You