

2014-05
Policy for Inter-RIR
Transfers of Internet
Resources

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Purpose

- This policy describes the transfer of Internet number resources between a resource holder within the RIPE NCC service region and a resource holder of another Regional Internet Registry (RIR)
- Full proposal and impact analysis:

https://www.ripe.net/ripe/policies/proposals/2014-05



Changes from Version 1 to Version 2

- Replacing the term "LIR" with "resource holder"
- Removing the reference to legacy resources from IPv4 Address Allocation and Assignment Policies for the RIPE NCC Service Region
- Defining special conditions for legacy resources in the inter-RIR transfer policy
- Rewording the second argument opposing the proposal (needs justification in other regions)



Feedback - 1

 Note explicitly in the policy that as long as the transfer is in effect, RIPE policy applies to the resources. (ie. Once the transfer is complete, and registered in RIPE region, RIPE policies apply. Once registered in another region, the other RIR's policies apply.)



Feedback - 2

After consulting with both ARIN and APNIC, the two RIRs have confirmed how ARIN policy requires 'needs based', explicitly stated, policy principals to be in place to allow for inter-RIR resource transfers, and that APNIC's has the same needs based principles explicitly stated in its policy document. RIPE policy document ripe-622 (paragraph 5.1, sub 3), addresses a needs base in an implicit manner. It is therefore not possible for the APNIC secretariat to interpret this and take a position. The APNIC secretariat indicates that it will consult their community in order to get guidance on how to proceed. ARIN staff notes that the lack of a specific needs-based requirement in the RIPE policy document will prevent the policy from being deemed compatible with ARIN's Inter-RIR transfer policy requirements to the RIPE region (although its adoption will have no effect on Inter-RIR transfers between ARIN and the APNIC region.)



Next Steps

 Version 3 of Inter-RIR Policy; need input today; something like:

"For transfers from RIR regions which require the RIPE region to have needs based policies, recipients must provide a plan to the RIPE NCC for the use of at least 50% of the transferred resources within 5 years."



