

Internet Resource Policy

- Why should I care?

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Quick survey

- How many of you are involved with Internet address policy?
- How many get excited when you hear the word "policy"?
- How many get annoyed when "idiotic" policy is implemented that makes life more difficult for you?
 - And how many of you write mails to NOG mailing lists to complain about this?

What is APNIC?

- Regional Internet Registry (RIR) for the Asia Pacific Region
 - Regional authority for Internet Resource distribution
 - IP addresses (IPv4 and IPv6), AS numbers, in-addr.arpa delegation
- Membership-based organisation
 - Established 1993
 - Non-profit, neutral and impartial

Not operations forum

Not standards development

Why do we have RIRs?

- Lessons from the past
 - Growing routing table
 - Wastage of addresses
 - No proper registration system
 - No scalable resource distribution system
- ‘Addressing’ the problems
 - Creation of RIRs
 - CIDR & Classless addressing
 - Whois database
- RIR goals
 - Aggregation, Conservation & Registration

APNIC's role

- Core activities: Primary responsibilities
 - Critical Internet administrative services
 - Resource allocation
 - Resource registration and reverse DNS
 - Facilitation of policy development
- Additional activities
 - Training, outreach and seminars
 - Publications, APster, annual report, articles
 - Infrastructure development: IRR, root-servers
 - R&D, statistics, etc
 - Services to community through collaboration

Why should I care about APNIC?

- Core activities
 - You may need to request resources from APNIC
 - You may need to use the APNIC whois database
 - New policies are implemented or are changed
 - Driven by community in response to changing technical environment
- Additional activities
 - Facilitating route server deployment
 - Research & white papers
 - Internet society articles, BGP stats
 - Collaboration & partnerships
 - Training and outreach eg. NZNOG ☺
 - MoUs with ISP associations

The Internet has changed

- Internet evolved in a world without predators.
 - DOS was viewed as illogical and undamaging.
- The environment today is hostile.
 - It takes very little to do a lot of damage.
- Mutually distrustful organisations and people are connected
 - No central management
- Internet part of society's infrastructure today

Issues in today's Internet

- Spam
- Network abuse
- Hijacking
- Network security



Does APNIC play a role in this?

- Data integrity & security in whois
 - Accurate, up-to-date & secure data
 - Necessary for troubleshooting
 - If the whois database contains jibberish, it becomes useless
- Authentication of resource custodianship
 - Need for secure manner to validate authorisation

So what has APNIC done?

- Improving data integrity in whois
 - Clean up of un-referenced objects
 - Removal of objects unrelated to actual resource info (*mar-03*)
 - Removal of resource info not in APNIC range (*mar-03*)
 - Modify records that are not RPSL compliant (*mar-03*)
 - Reduce amount of inaccurate / out of date records
- Improving security of whois
 - Protection of un-maintained objects (*sep-02*)
 - Deprecation of 'NONE' and 'MAIL-FROM' (*sep-02*)
 - Secure authentication methods (PGP, MD5)
 - Stop unauthorised changes of records



So what has APNIC done?

- Authentication of resource custodianship
 - Establish direct relationship with resource holders
 - Multihoming assignment policy
 - ASN customer policy
 - Historical transfer policies
 - Secure management system through MyAPNIC using X.509 certificates
- Future measures
 - Issuing resource certificates
 - Providing infrastructure for routing security

Recent policy changes

- Data integrity

- Protecting resource records in whois
- Protecting historical records in whois
- Privacy of customer assignment records
- Recovery of unused address space
 - (To be implemented Q1 2005)
- Lame Delegation cleanup

prop-010-v001

prop-018-v001

prop-007-
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prop-017-v001

prop-004-v001

- Address management

- Lowering the IPv4 minimum allocation size & criteria
- IPv6 allocations to organisations with existing IPv4 infrastructure

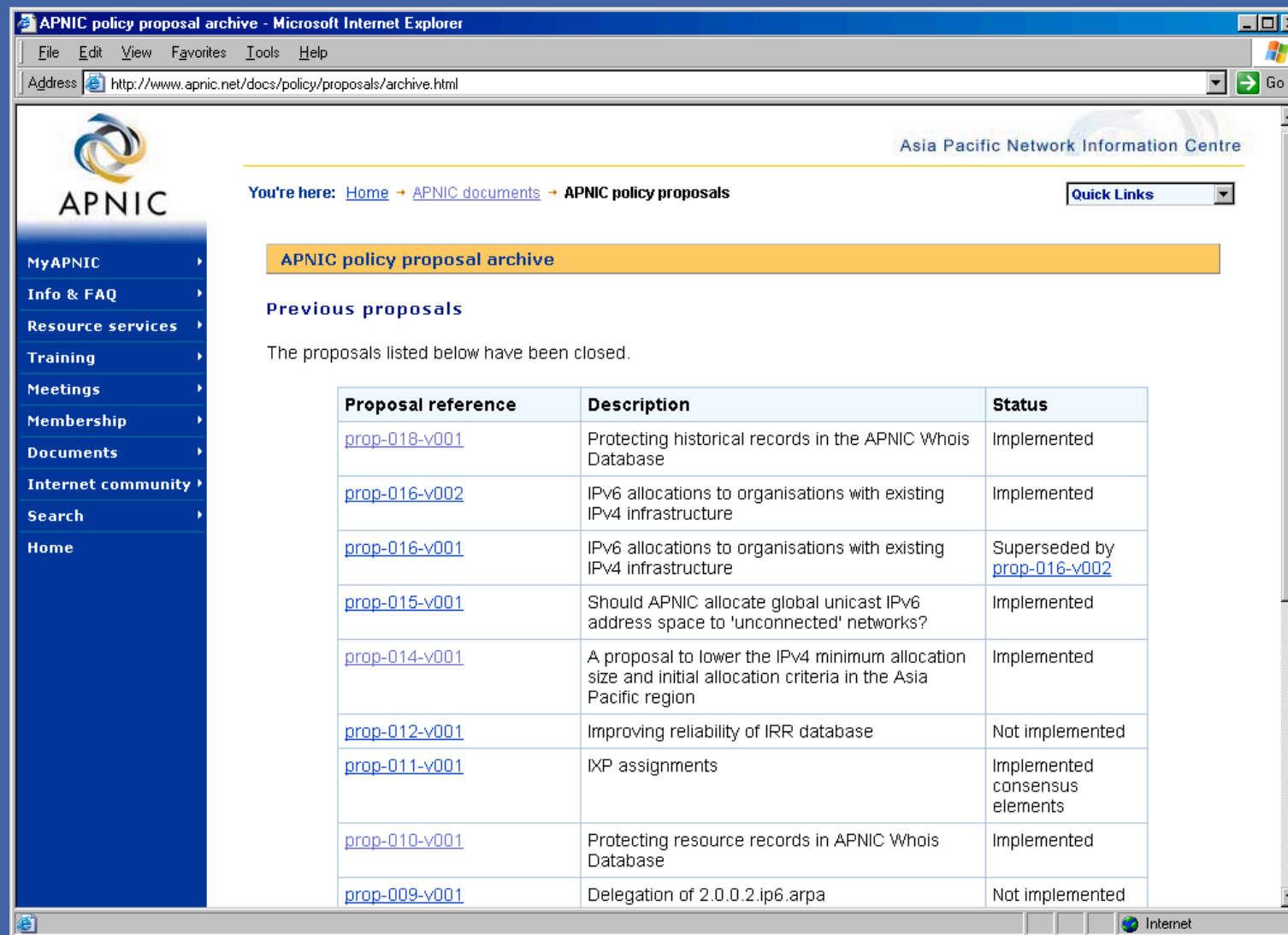
prop-014-v001

prop-016-v002

Policy development

- Policy is not static
 - The Internet changes and evolves
 - Policy responds to these changes!
- It is those who need and use the Internet resources who determine the policies
 - Hey, that's You! 😊
 - (Not the APNIC secretariat)

Policy proposal archive



APNIC policy proposal archive - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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APNIC policy proposal archive

Previous proposals

The proposals listed below have been closed.

Proposal reference	Description	Status
prop-018-v001	Protecting historical records in the APNIC Whois Database	Implemented
prop-016-v002	IPv6 allocations to organisations with existing IPv4 infrastructure	Implemented
prop-016-v001	IPv6 allocations to organisations with existing IPv4 infrastructure	Superseded by prop-016-v002
prop-015-v001	Should APNIC allocate global unicast IPv6 address space to 'unconnected' networks?	Implemented
prop-014-v001	A proposal to lower the IPv4 minimum allocation size and initial allocation criteria in the Asia Pacific region	Implemented
prop-012-v001	Improving reliability of IRR database	Not implemented
prop-011-v001	IXP assignments	Implemented consensus elements
prop-010-v001	Protecting resource records in APNIC Whois Database	Implemented
prop-009-v001	Delegation of 2.0.0.2.ip6.arpa	Not implemented

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/archive.html>

The policy development process

Need Discuss Consensus Implement



You can participate!

More information about policy development can be found at:

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/dev>

Join the APNIC mailing lists

- Announcements
- Policy discussions
- Whois database

apnic-announce

sig-policy

sig-db

- Subscribe to the lists!
 - Important to stay in touch
 - All fairly low-traffic
- How to
 - Online: <http://www.apnic.net/community/lists/>
 - Email: <list name>-request@lists.apnic.net,
'subscribe' in message body
 - eg. To: apnic-talk-request@lists.apnic.net
subscribe



Next meeting in conjunction with

APRICOT 2005

Kyoto, Japan 16-25 February

- Participate in policy development
- Attend workshops, tutorials & presentations
- Exchange knowledge and information with peers
- Stay abreast with developments in the Internet
- View multicast online
- Provide your input in matters important to you

<http://www.apnic.net/meetings/>



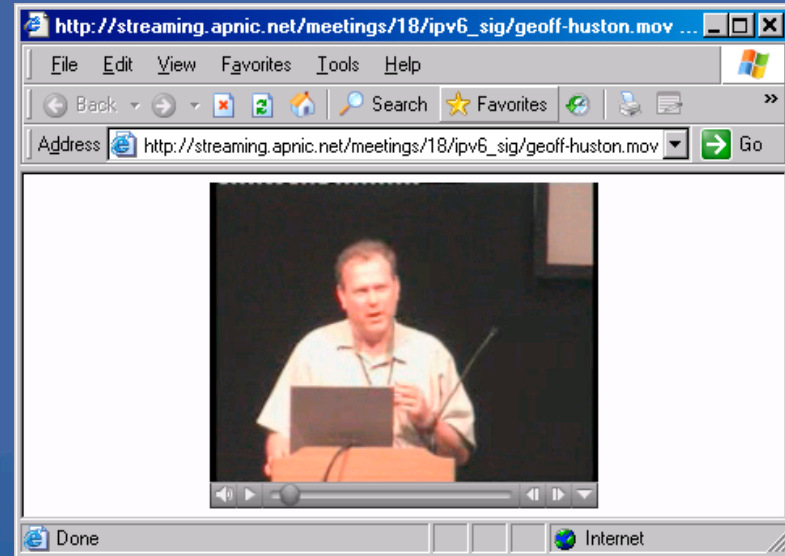
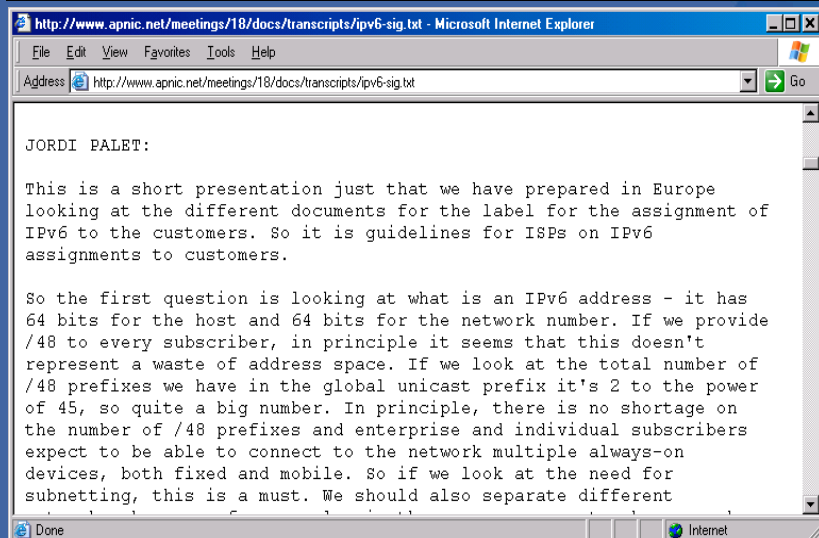
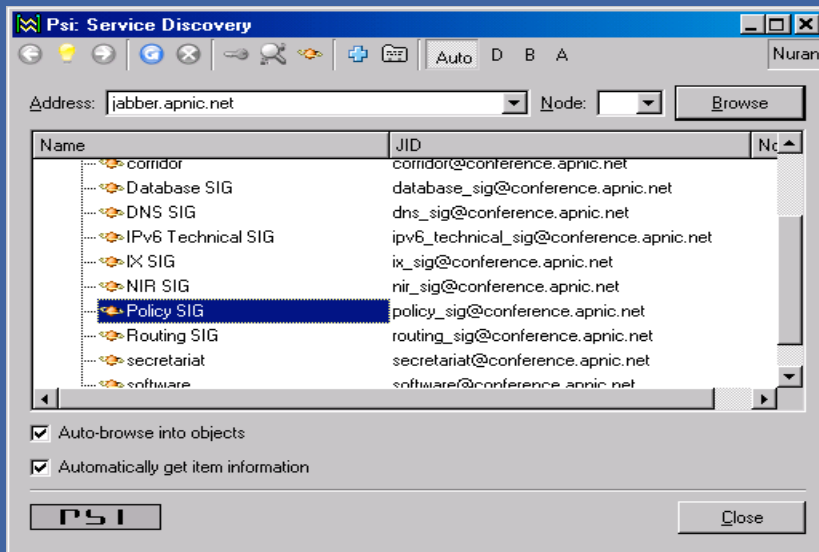
APNIC 19 Meeting – some highlights

- Routing security tutorial
 - By Russ Housley (full day)
 - Tuesday 22 Feb
- APOPS (chair: Philip Smith)
 - Operators forum - good, operational content
 - Tuesday 22 Feb
- Routing SIG (chair: Philip Smith)
 - “S-BGP overview” (Stephen Kent)
 - Wednesday 23 Feb
- DNS SIG (chair: Joe Abley)
 - Always ***the most*** interesting SIG!
 - (I’m not just saying that because Joe Abley is here...)
 - » *Psst Joe... I think you owe me a beer*
 - Thursday 24 Feb



Easy to participate remotely

- Jabber chat, live transcripts, webcast



<http://www.apnic.net/meetings/19/>

Important to get your input

- Get involved
- Subscribe to mailing lists
- Participate in meetings!
 - You don't have to be present to participate
 - Remote participation possible
 - You don't have to be a member
 - Anyone can propose and discuss policy
 - It's easy to participate!
- *You are affected by Internet resource policy*



Thank You

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Useful references

Current policy proposals

Proposal ref	Description
prop-003-v002	Policy for mirroring on IRR
prop-005-v004	IANA policy for allocation of IPv6 blocks to RIRs
prop-008-v001	IANA IPv4 resource request procedures
prop-017-v001	Recovery of unused address space
prop-019-v001	A proposal for whois database query
prop-020-v001	Application of the HD ratio to IPv4
prop-021-v001	Expansion of the initial allocation space for existing IPv6 address space holders
prop-022-v001	Abolishing redundant charges in IPv6 allocations
prop-024-v001	Changing NIR fee structure
prop-025-v001	Proposal on IPv6 IRR service at APNIC

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/>



Protecting historical records in the Whois DB (prop-018-v001)

- Motivation
 - Unprotected db records increasingly becoming source of abusive activities in the Internet
- Proposal summary
 - Protect all historical IP & AS records with APNIC-HM maintainer
 - Existing custodian who wants to maintain their records to sign a formal agreement with APNIC
 - Annual fee USD 100 per account
 - Note
 - Existing custodians can still use the resource, but will not be able to change the record
- Status
 - Approved by consensus at APNIC 17
 - Implemented 14 December 2004

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/prop-018-v001.html>

Privacy of customer assignment records (prop-007-v001)

- Motivation
 - Privacy issues with publishing customer data
 - Customer data poorly maintained
- Proposal summary
 - Remove requirement for public registration of assignments by members/ISPs
 - Public registration still be optional
 - Own assignment info still available through MyAPNIC
- Note
 - APNIC allocations continue to be publicly registered
- Approved by consensus at APNIC 16
 - Implemented 30 September 2004

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/prop-007-v001.html>

Lowering the IPv4 minimum allocation size & criteria (prop-014-v001)

- Motivation
 - Feedback from community of difficulties obtaining address space
 - Barriers too high
- Proposal summary
 - Lower minimum allocation
 - /21 initial allocation
 - Lower eligibility criteria
 - Have used a /23 from upstream provider or demonstrate an immediate need for a /23; and
 - Demonstrate a detailed plan for use of a /22 within a year
- Status
 - Approved by consensus at APNIC 17
 - Implemented 16 August 2004

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/prop-014-v001.html>

Recovery of unused address space

(prop-017-v001)

- Motivation
 - Approx 36% of all allocated address space is not advertised
- Proposal summary
 - To recover address space which is unused
- Status
 - Approved by consensus at APNIC 17
 - To be implemented 1st quarter 2005

<http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/prop-017-v001.html>

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