Good of the Internet Initiative
Background

• The RIPE NCC has a proud tradition of working for the good of the Internet
  - K-root, RIPE Labs, RIPE Atlas

• We asked you if we should be doing more, and received support for this idea
  - RIPE 69 presentation
  - Discussion at May 2016 General Meeting
  - Other RIPE Meeting discussions
Background

• **Good of the Internet initiative mission:**

  Support projects to improve services and tools for RIPE NCC members, the RIPE community, network operators and Internet users everywhere
Overview

• Executive Board has identified four different programs
  - These will be clearly and transparently described
  - Programs would be overseen by RIPE NCC Executive Board and RIPE community (with support from RIPE NCC)

• Executive Board will review the RIPE NCC’s contributions on an annual basis
Four Proposed Programs

• RIPE NCC Community Projects Fund
• Rob Blokzijl Foundation
• Seed Alliance
• IETF support
RIPE NCC Community Projects Fund

• Projects of value to the operation and resilience of the Internet

• Focus on tools and services of benefit to technical community in our service region

• Open application process

• Evaluated by committee:
  - Executive Board (1)
  - Working Group Chair (1)
  - RIPE community (3)
  - RIPE NCC observer (1)
Rob Blokzijl Foundation

- Recognises individuals who have made sustained and substantial technological or operational contributions to the development of the Internet in the RIPE NCC service region
  - Awarded once every two years
  - Initial direction from RIPE NCC, Executive Board and RIPE community
  - RIPE NCC providing initial funding
Seed Alliance

• Existing collaboration between AFRINIC, LACNIC, APNIC, and partner development agencies

• Small grants and awards to promote the information society (openness, rights, inclusion, networks and access)

• Funded 116 projects in 57 countries since inception in 2012

• Focus on digital innovation to support economic growth and social development
IETF Support

• Ensure IETF’s long-term sustainability

• Discussed during RIPE NCC Services Working Group at RIPE 72 and May 2016 RIPE NCC General Meeting

• Received positive feedback from RIPE community

• Annual contribution for 10 years (2017-2026)

• AFRINIC, ARIN and ISOC also contributing
# Overview of Programs

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Feedback

• The RIPE NCC Executive Board believes these programs will benefit the technical community in the RIPE NCC service region and around the world

• We’re in a unique position to make a positive difference

• We’re asking for your continued support
Questions