Good of the Internet Initiative

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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

RIPE NCC Community Projects Fund	Projects that benefit the Internet	Annual funding
Rob Blokzijl Foundation	Recognition of individuals	Initial funding
Seed Alliance	Promote economic growth and social development	Annual funding
IETF support	Ensure the long-term sustainability of the IETF	Renewable funding for 10 years

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