



**RIPE NCC**  
RIPE NETWORK COORDINATION CENTRE

# Database Operational Update

# Releases Since RIPE 72



- Release 1.87.3 (2 June)
  - Planned phased release to make "descr:" on allocations editable by LIRs
- Release 1.87.4 (20 June)
  - makes "mnt-lower:" on INET6NUM editable
  - allows "netname:" to be changed on "ASSIGNED" objects

# Release 1.88



- In RC Now
  - Main reason: needed to support new rDNS UI
  - Allows deletion of syntactically incorrect objects
  - Users can change "status:" if it's NOT-SET
  - Added a data re-sync to the release process following comment from Ruediger Volk
- Plan to go live on 31 October

# Locked PERSON and ROLE Objects



- Unmaintained objects could be abused for social engineering attacks
  - More likely because of IPv4 run-out
- The RIPE NCC may be liable for third party damages if we:
  - could anticipate these damages and
  - could do something to prevent them but we didn't do it
- Therefore we locked, and refuse to unlock
- Maintainers of referencing objects are responsible for updating
  - note: these PERSON objects have not changed in years and may well still be correct
- Objects are removed 90 days after they are no longer referenced
- PERSON objects can be deleted on a case-by-case basis:  
<https://www.ripe.net/manage-ips-and-asns/db/support/documentation/removal-of-personal-data>

# Default maintainer



44%

# Database Update Stats



April 2015 → September 2016

	MD5	PGP	SSO
mail	74% → 58%	26% → 42%	N/A
sync	95% → 83%	5% → 15%	N/A
rest & web	97% → 68%	N/A	3% → 32%

# Automating Deployment



- Continuous deployment principles
  - Build once, run automated tests (done)
  - Deploy and test this version in development (done)
  - Deploy and test this version in internal acceptance (done)
  - Deploy and test this version in RC (soon)
  - Deploy version to production (soon)
- Helps us close the feedback loop quickly on features as well as bugs, and deploy with confidence

# Usability Improvements



- Small UI improvements
  - better auto-complete
  - authorisation for parent INET(6)NUM
  - better help texts
- Started working on improved rDNS support:  
<https://www.ripe.net/s/rc-rdns>

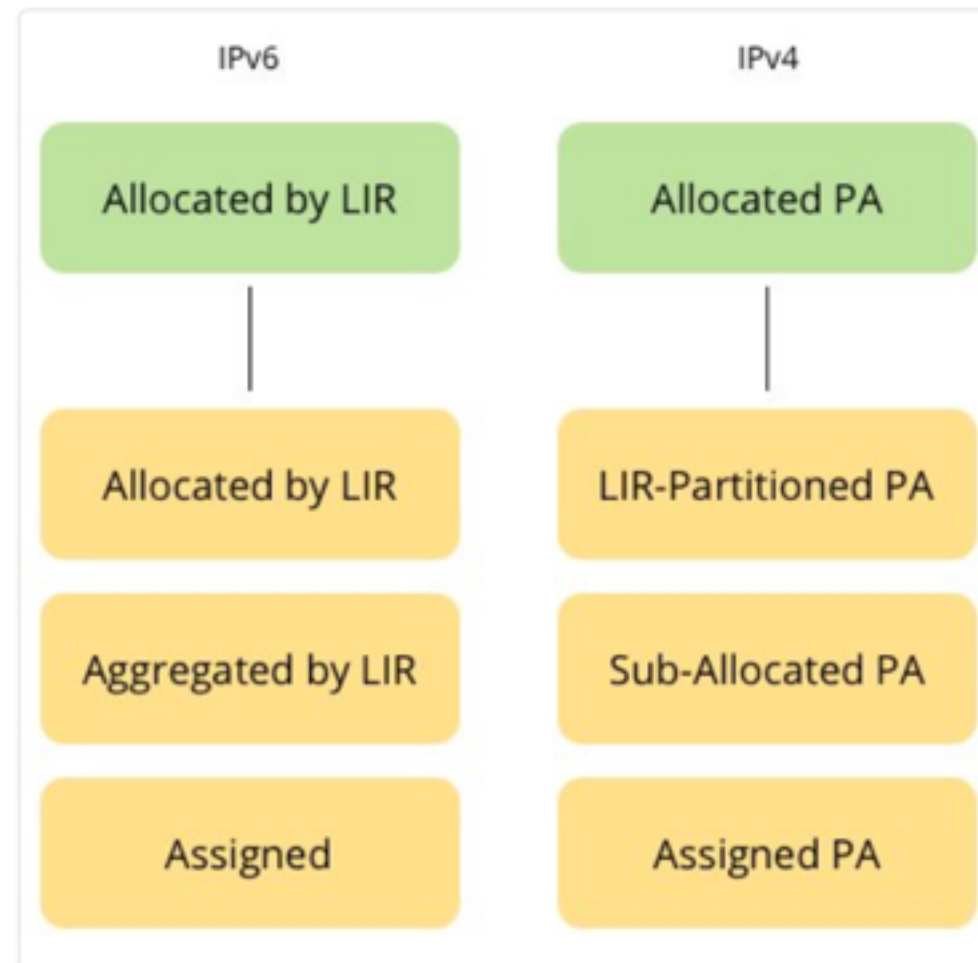




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RIPE Database webupdates now only lets you choose an inetnum status that's compatible with the parent [#UX](#) [#usability](#)



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To make #RIPE DB search results easier to interpret we now highlight the responsible org and abuse contact for an IP

Responsible organisation: [Resilans AB](#)  
Abuse contact info: [abuse@resilans.se](mailto:abuse@resilans.se)

Update RipeStat

```
inetnum:      192.36.148.0 - 192.36.148.255
netname:      I-ROOTSERVER
descr:        Prefix reserved for DNS root name server i.root-servers.net.
descr:        $Id: inetnum_192.36.148.0-24,v 1.2 2010-05-26 08:52:13 liman Exp $
country:      SE
admin-c:      NAC16-RIPE
tech-c:       NTC6-RIPE
status:       LEGACY
remarks:      For information on "status:" attribute read https://www.ripe.net/data-
tools/db/faq/faq-status-values-legacy-resources
mnt-by:       NETNOD-MNT
created:      2002-07-02T09:09:48Z
last-modified: 2014-05-27T13:25:03Z
source:       RIPE
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To make RIPE DB objects with shared responsibility easier to interpret, we now highlight all RIPE NCC managed values

Responsible organisation: **CloudFlare, Inc.**  
Abuse contact info: [abuse@cloudflare.com](mailto:abuse@cloudflare.com)

☒ Highlight RIPE NCC managed values

inetnum:	<b>185.122.0.0 - 185.122.3.255</b>
netname:	EU-CLOUDFLARE-20151019
country:	GB
org:	<b>ORG-CI40-RIPE</b>
admin-c:	<b>CAC80-RIPE</b>
tech-c:	<b>CTC6-RIPE</b>
status:	ALLOCATED PA
mnt-by:	<b>RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT</b>
mnt-by:	<b>MNT-CLOUDFLARE</b>
created:	2015-10-19T09:54:37Z
last-modified:	2016-07-07T22:17:43Z
source:	RIPE

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# Clean Up Unreferenced Objects



- Data protection rules
  - We should remove personal data if it serves no purpose
  - But previous implementation proved difficult
- Since 6 September pragmatic implementation
  - PERSON, ROLE, ORGANISATION, MNTNER
  - If older than 90 days AND
  - not referenced by any other object today AND
  - not referenced by any resource-related object <90 days

# Future?



- Operations first
- WG and policies second
- Long list of usability improvements
  - rDNS
  - Personalised authorisation
  - Synchronise LIR Portal users to default maintainer
  - Manage IRR objects (similar to RPKI interface)
  - Bulk changes, e.g. contact information
  - Query interface can use a li'l love



# Questions

