Policy Development: It's Easy!

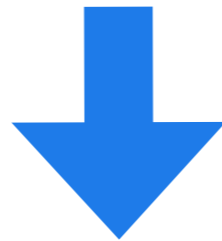Marco Schmidt
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What is a Policy?

- **Policies are the rules under which the RIPE NCC works!**

- Registration and use of IPv4, IPv6 are based on these rules

- Everyone in our region must follow these rules

- …but policies can be changed

- **RIPE policies are made by people like you!**

- Policy development in RIPE is done via working groups — following an open, bottom-up, consensus-based approach

- People share policy ideas in working group sessions at RIPE Meetings…

- …but all discussions and decisions take place on the mailing lists

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Discussion Phase

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Review Phase

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Last Call

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Proposal Accepted

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Let's use an Example…
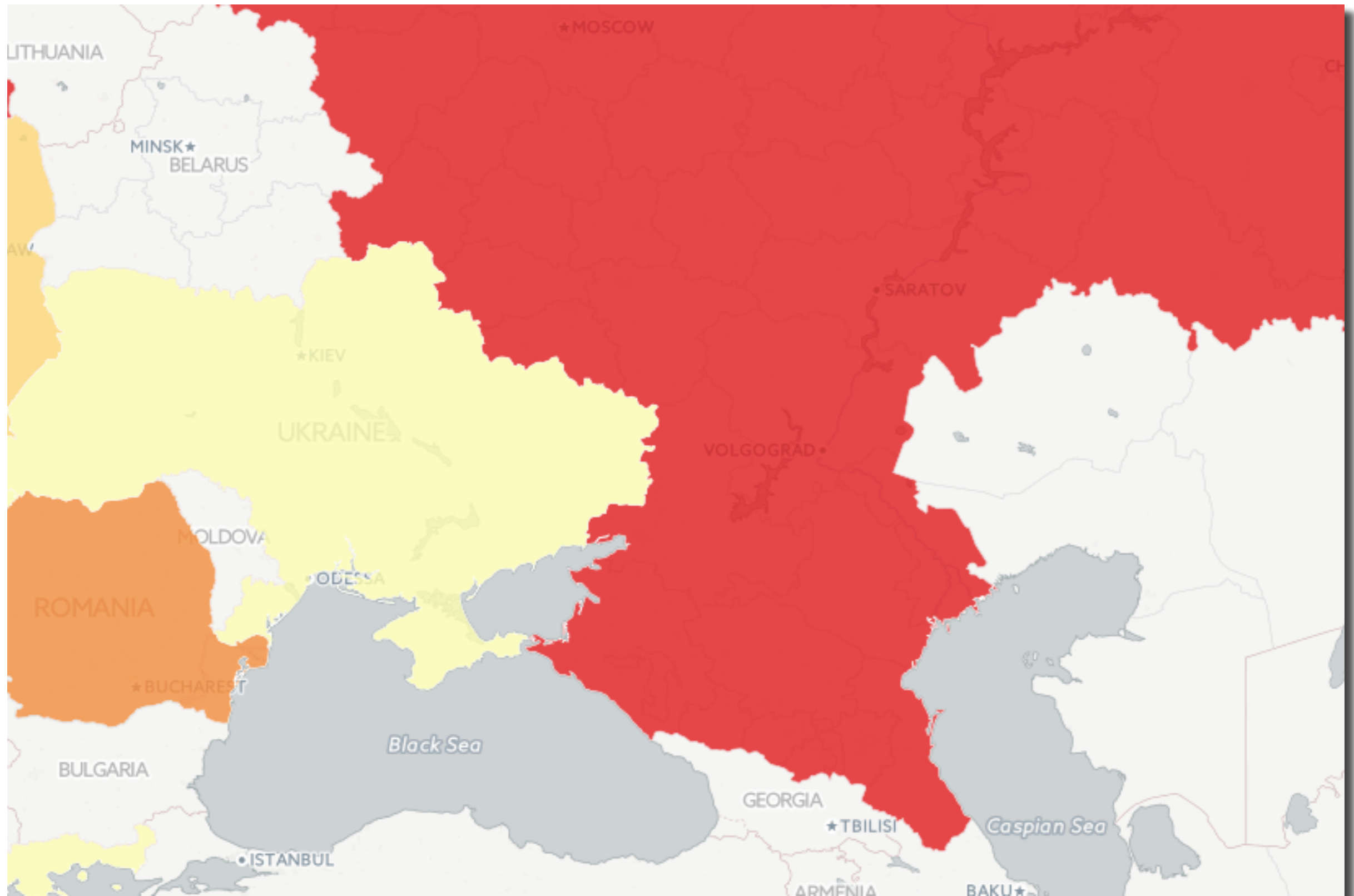
2015-01, "Alignment of Transfer Requirements for IPv4 Allocations"

- Before: IPv4 allocations made by the RIPE NCC can be transferred immediately

- Problem: LIRs could be opened, the /22 IPv4 allocation requested and immediately transferred

- Proposal: Apply the 24-month holding period to IPv4 allocations made by the RIPE NCC (the same as for transfers from other LIRs)

What do you Think?

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These transfers go against the spirit of that policy. Transfers have a serious impact on last /8 The last /8 block should be kept for new organisations to receive some IPv4 space	Blocks cheap access to IPv4 Transfers have a no serious impact on last /8 Doesn't really help, as transfers via "mergers and acquisitions" are still possible

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Recent Policy Developments

- **Ongoing:**
  - 2014-03, "Remove Multihoming Requirement for AS Number Assignments"
  - 2015-04, "RIPE Resource Transfer Policies"

- **Recently Accepted:**
  - 24-month holding period for all IPv4 allocations
  - Inter-RIR transfers
  - Additional criteria for evaluating large IPv6 allocations

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And now?

- **Get informed!**

Progress | Timeline ▬ In Progress ▬ Complete **I.A.** Impact Analysis

	Initial Discussion	Comment & Review	Concluding
2014-03 Remove Multihoming Requirement for AS Number Assignments Address Policy Working Group		**I.A.** **Open for Discussion** Extended Until 19 May 2015	
2015-01			

https://www.ripe.net/participate/policies/current-proposals/current-policy-proposals

- **Join the discussion!**

  - Subscribe to the mailing list

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"I support this proposal" "I support this proposal because…" "I support this proposal, but…" "+1"	"I oppose this proposal, because…" "I oppose this proposal as it stands, because…" "I also oppose this proposal" "-1"

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Useful Information

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- https://www.ripe.net/ripe/policies/current-proposals/current-policy-proposals

- https://www.ripe.net/ripe/groups/wg/ap

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