



**RIPE NCC**

RIPE NETWORK COORDINATION CENTRE

# RIPE NCC Update

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# What is the RIPE NCC?



- Secretariat for the RIPE community
- Distribute IP addresses and AS Numbers
- Maintain the RIPE Database
- RIPEstat, RIPE Atlas and other tools and services
- Funded by members, fully autonomous
- Open, transparent, neutral and impartial



# **Our Work in the Past Year**

# Annual Report 2018



- 4,401 additional members
- 4,610 /22 IPv4 allocations and 2,405 IPv6 allocations
- Over 2,000 attendees at RIPE NCC-organised events
- 98 training courses for 2,114 participants in 55 locations
- 2,628 ARCs completed (83 during RIPE Meetings)
- 10,400+ active RIPE Atlas probes
- 450+ RIPE Atlas anchors

# Financial Report 2018



- Continuing to maintain strong and sustainable relations with our members as we approach IPv4 runout (Q4 2019)
- Focus on prudent cost management
- Sound capital and liquidity management
- Transparency in financial operations

# RIPE NCC General Meeting May 2019

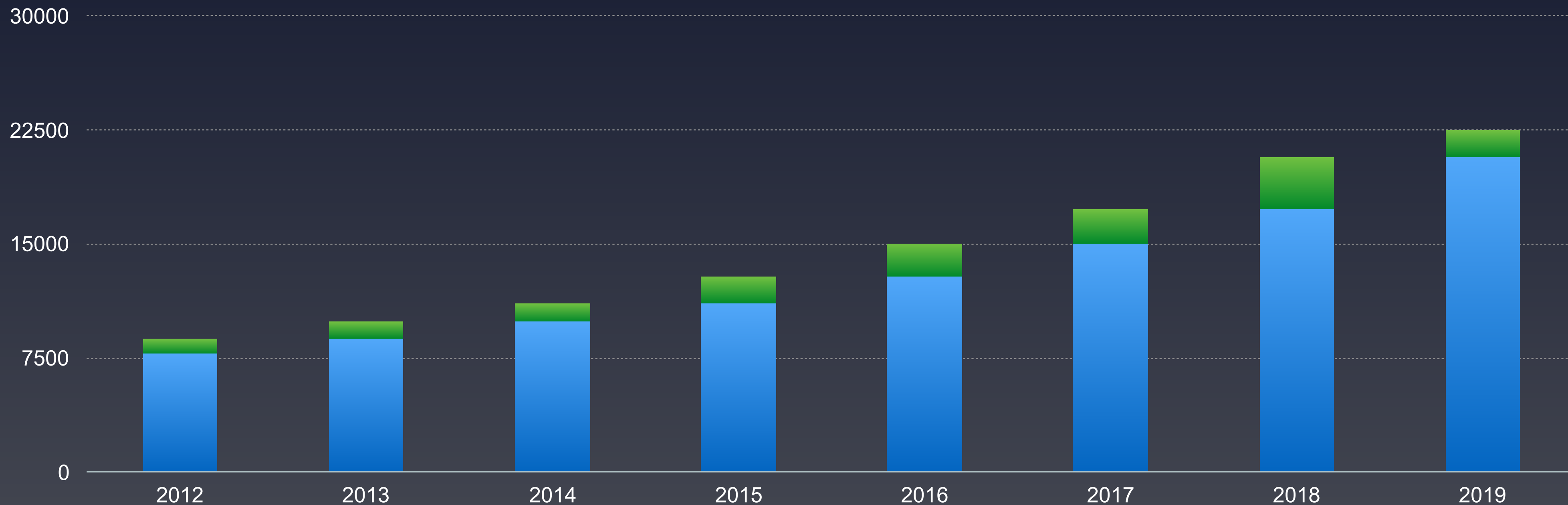


- RIPE NCC Members voted to:
  - Adopt the Financial Report 2018
  - Discharge the Executive Board of its duties as they appear in the Annual Report 2018
  - Adopt the Charging Scheme 2020 (members voted for existing model from two options)
- Two candidates elected to the Executive Board:
  - Ondřej Filip
  - Remco van Mook



# Membership Growth

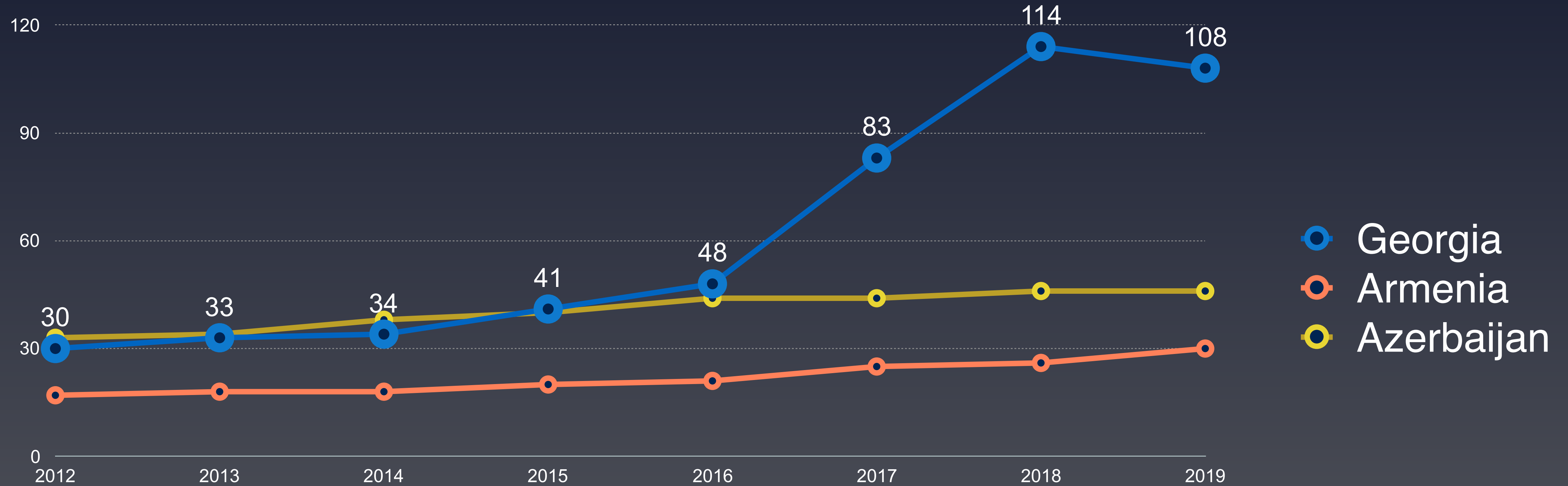
# Membership Growth



- 8% growth so far in 2019
- 13,700+ LIR accounts activated since last /8 reached in 2012



# Membership Growth in Georgia

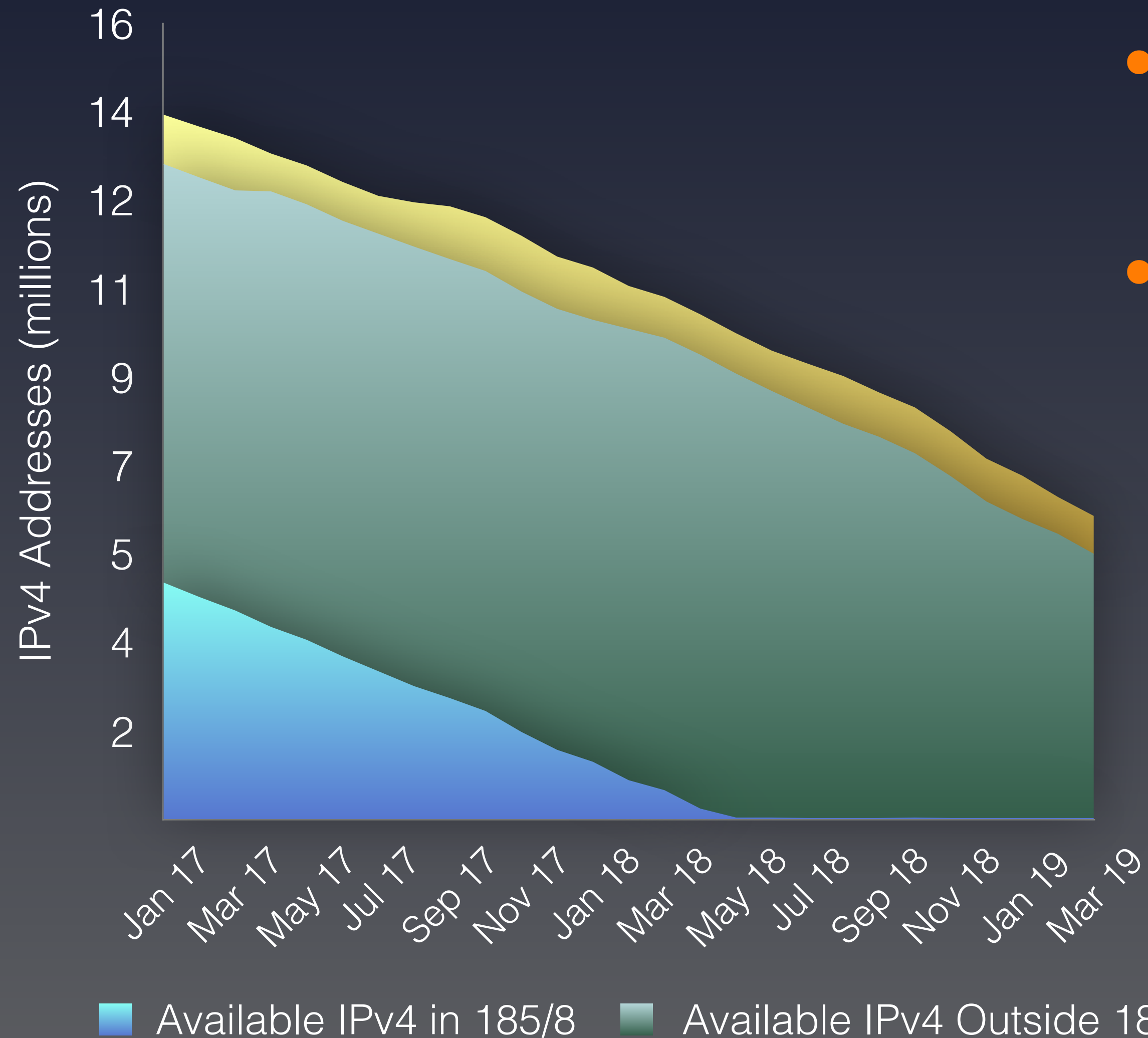


- Seventh highest number of LIR accounts per country in ENOG region (15 countries)



# The Year Ahead

# RIPE NCC's IPv4 Pool Exhaustion



- Our current IPv4 pool will run-out by early 2020
- Our role:
  - Ensure run-out is handled fairly, efficiently, transparently
  - Make necessary changes to our processes and software ahead of time
  - Handle possible new challenges for our members - e.g. waiting lists
  - Keep members informed about run-out

# Challenges



- Heavy increase in workload due to strong membership growth and increasing complexity of requests
- Preparing for drop in membership growth after IPv4 pool exhaustion
- Transfer market is as active as ever - maintaining an accurate RIPE Registry remains vital
- Ensuring existing infrastructure and processes remain robust enough to handle upcoming challenges

# Our Strategic Focus in 2019



- Increase efficiency and agility to handle emerging challenges
- Ensure resilient infrastructure
- Maintain and further improve registry accuracy
- Increase accountability and due diligence
- Provide reliable data, be a neutral source of information on Internet resources
- Continue to develop engagement activities



**99.25% of our Members**

...and why they shouldn't worry

# Talking About Closures... Better



- Massive increase in fraud has resulted in more closures
- Concerns raised at our RIPE NCC Day in Moscow - a sense that members in the ENOG region are being unfairly targeted
- We are undertaking to communicate better on this subject
  - RIPE Labs article: <https://www.ripe.net/s/Rdc7>
  - Due Diligence presentation at RIPE 78: <https://www.ripe.net/s/0n8q>
  - Want something else? Let us know!



# Members Closed for Submitting Fake/Misleading Information



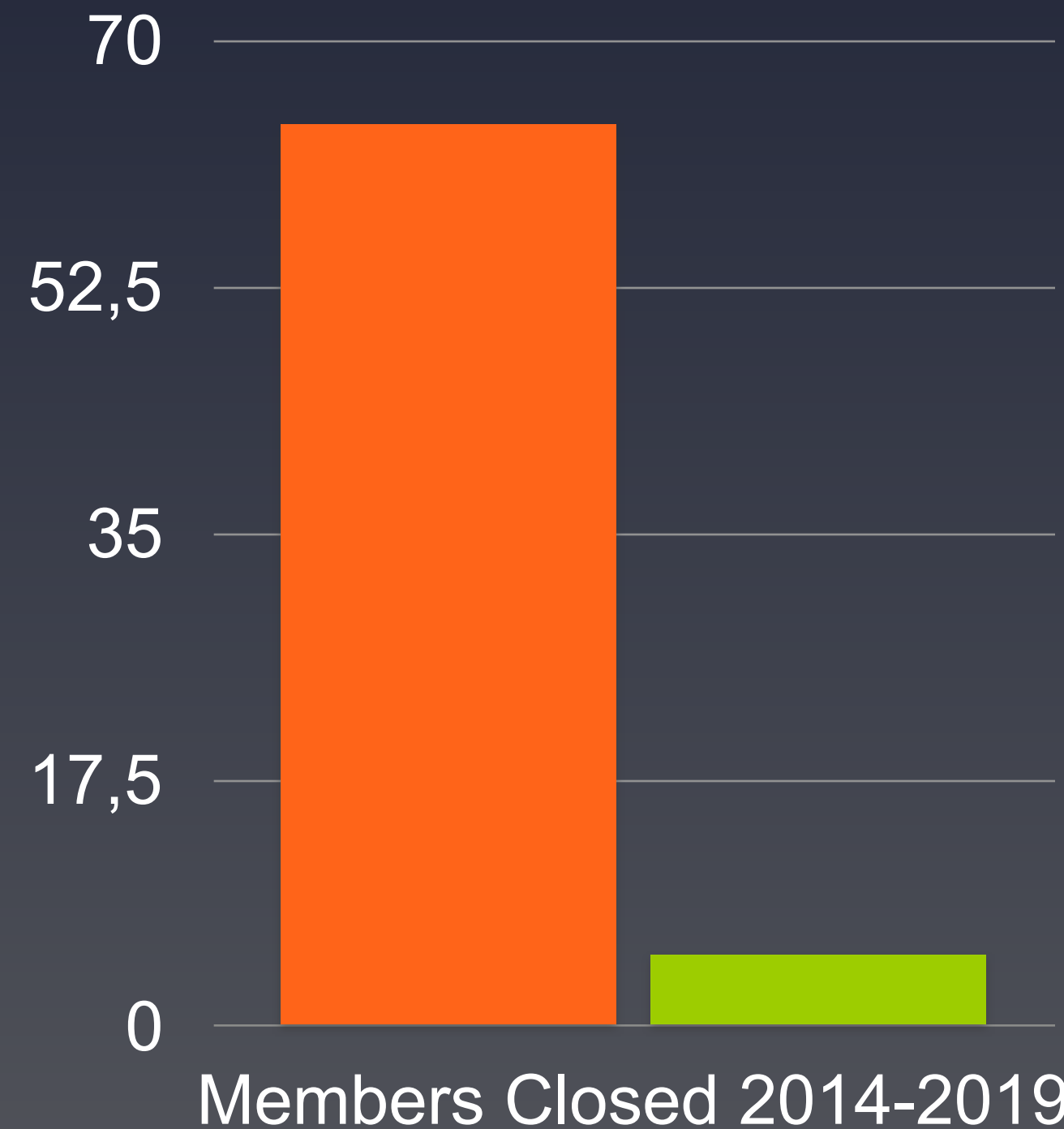
Year	Closures	By Country
2014	3	1 PL, 1 IR, 1 UA
2015	1	1 RU
2016	5	3 IR, 1 GR, 1 DM
2017	1	1 UK
2018	52	37 SC, 4 US, 3 UK, 3 HL, 2 CN, 2 RU, 1 AU
2019	7	4 RU, 1 HK, 1 KZ, 1 NL
<b>Total</b>	<b>69</b>	



# What We Are Talking About

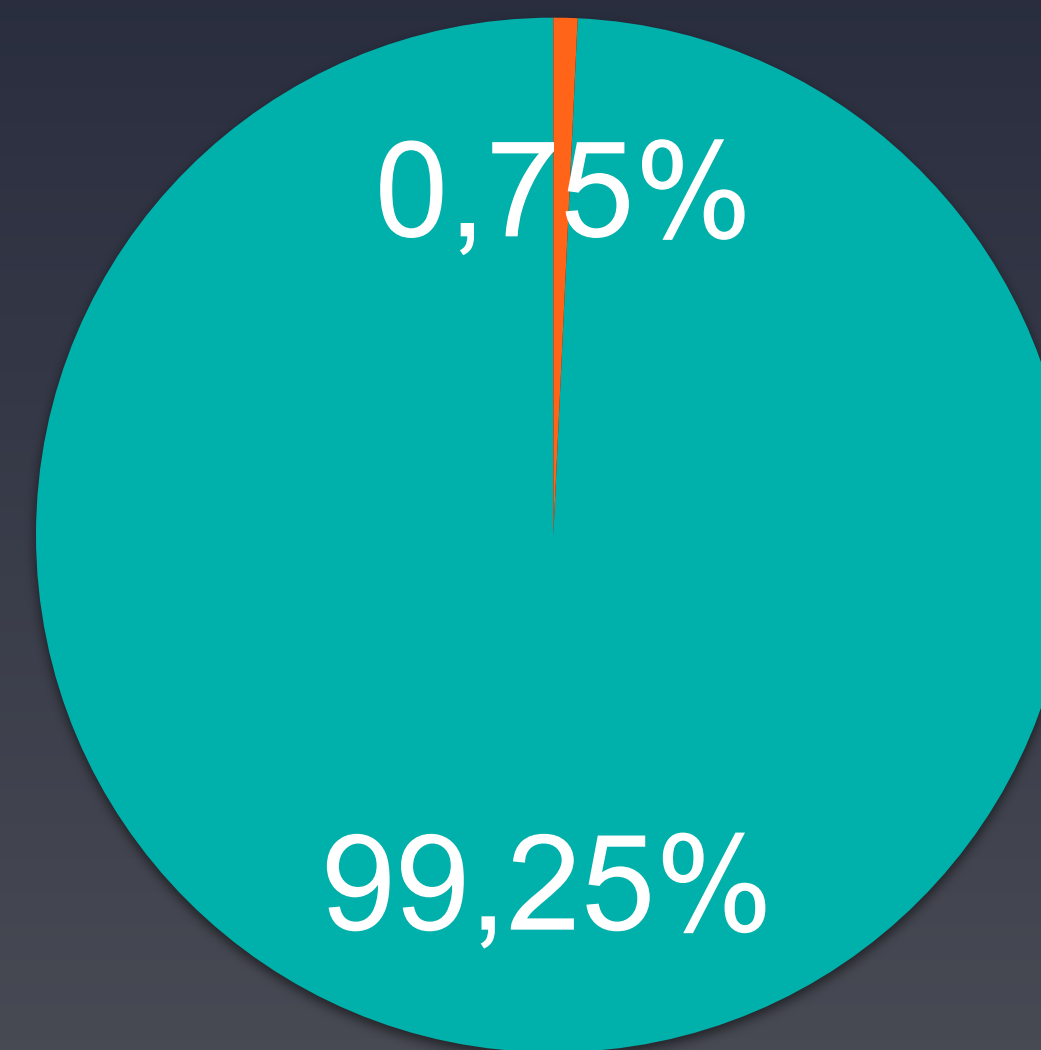


## Members Closed for Fraud



- Untruthful information about themselves
- Untruthful information about an End User

## % of LIRs Being Investigated



Priority is supporting these members and protecting their resources

# What We Are Hearing



- “The RIPE NCC’s approach has changed”
- “How can we avoid mistakes? (as sponsoring LIRs)”
- “Uncertainty is what worries us most”
  - Members not sure what is expected of them
  - Asking for about details of cases
  - Asking for guidance about our procedures and how many times are considered ‘multiple’

# “The RIPE NCC’s Approach Has Changed”



- We’re still here for our members and our primary concern is an accurate registry:
  - We give warnings and offer guidance when we find a problem (depending on the seriousness of case)
  - Innocent mistakes will not result in the closure of a network... though serious negligence will
  - In most cases we’re looking for a pattern of untruthful or negligent behaviour before we close a member
- What *has* changed is that an increase in fraud has caused us to increase our due diligence

# “How Can We Avoid Mistakes?”



- We have seen sophisticated forgeries - but this is not about forensic investigations:
  - When we called an End User’s office, no one answered...
  - ...or a *different company* answered
  - Their contact email bounced
  - The person who signed the agreement had no obvious relationship to the company
  - Etc, etc, etc.
- This is what we’re talking about when we say due diligence
- And if we look closer and find a pattern of this - we will want an explanation
- Schedule an Assisted Registry Check (ARCs) or get in contact - we are here to help!

# “Uncertainty is What Worries Us”



- Confidentiality obligation to our members, even when trust of our wider membership is being affected
  - Difficult to counter untrue statements made in public
  - However, arbiters reports are public, including two recent cases: [1], [2]
- Details about our procedures helps people get around them
- Defining how many “mistakes” (fraud) we will tolerate sends the wrong message and sets expectations
  - “But I get one warning, right?” - Reply from a member after deliberately submitting fraudulent documents

# Some Points to Consider



- Trust is crucial to our role as an authoritative registry
- An accountable system supports trust (Executive Board oversight, independent arbiters, RIPE NCC transparency)
- We're not talking about "mistakes" - we're talking about **fraud**
  - To steal resources from other networks
  - To evade RIPE policies
  - To obtain resources under fake identities
- Open to suggestions - but they have to be realistic



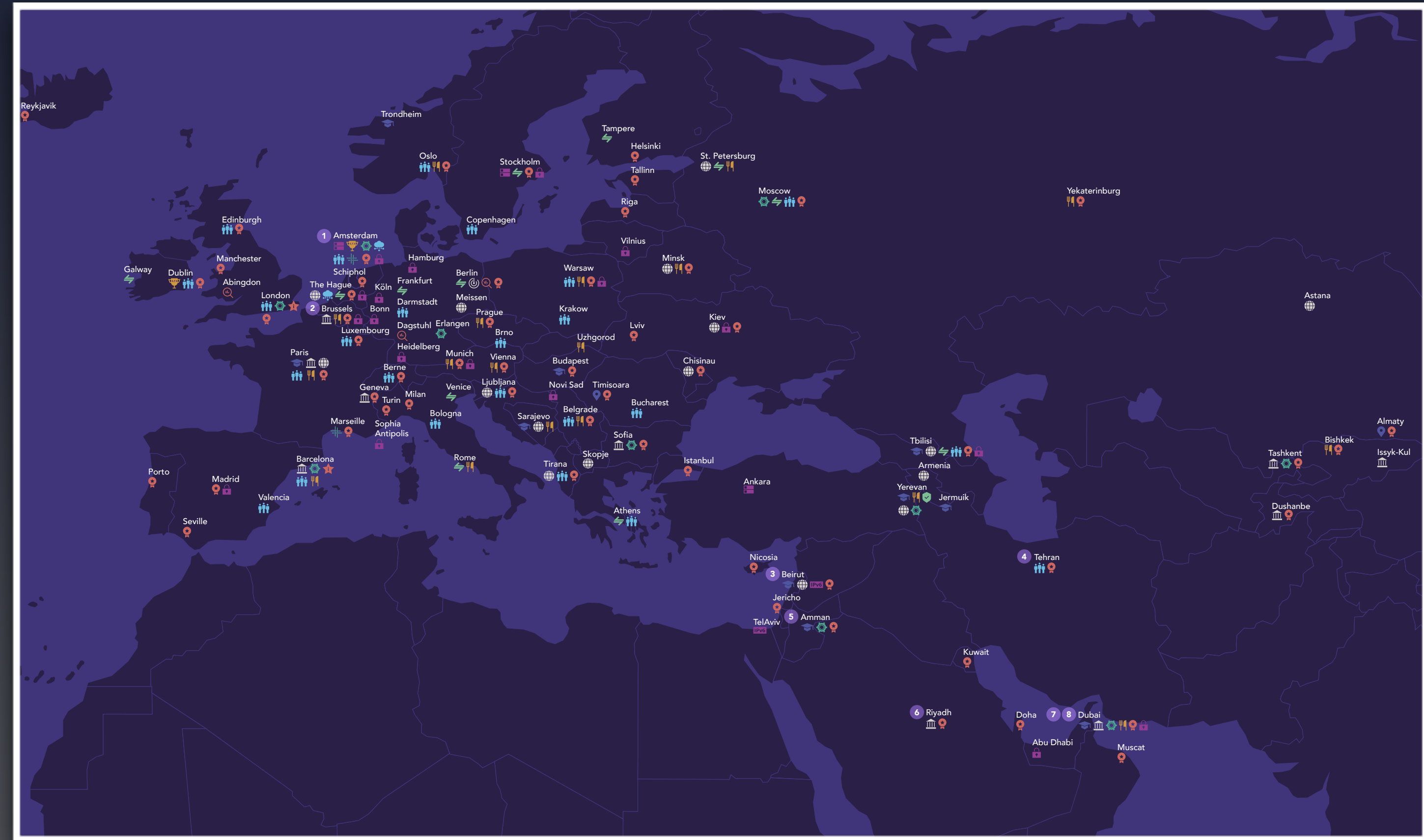


# Our Services

# Engagement and Outreach



- RIPE Meetings and Regional Meetings
- Member Lunches
- Support for NOGs, national IGFs, technical community events
- Face-to-face training courses
- Community building on RIPE Labs
- Academic cooperation
- Hackathons
- Government roundtable meetings





# Call for RIPE NCC Community Projects Fund Selection Committee



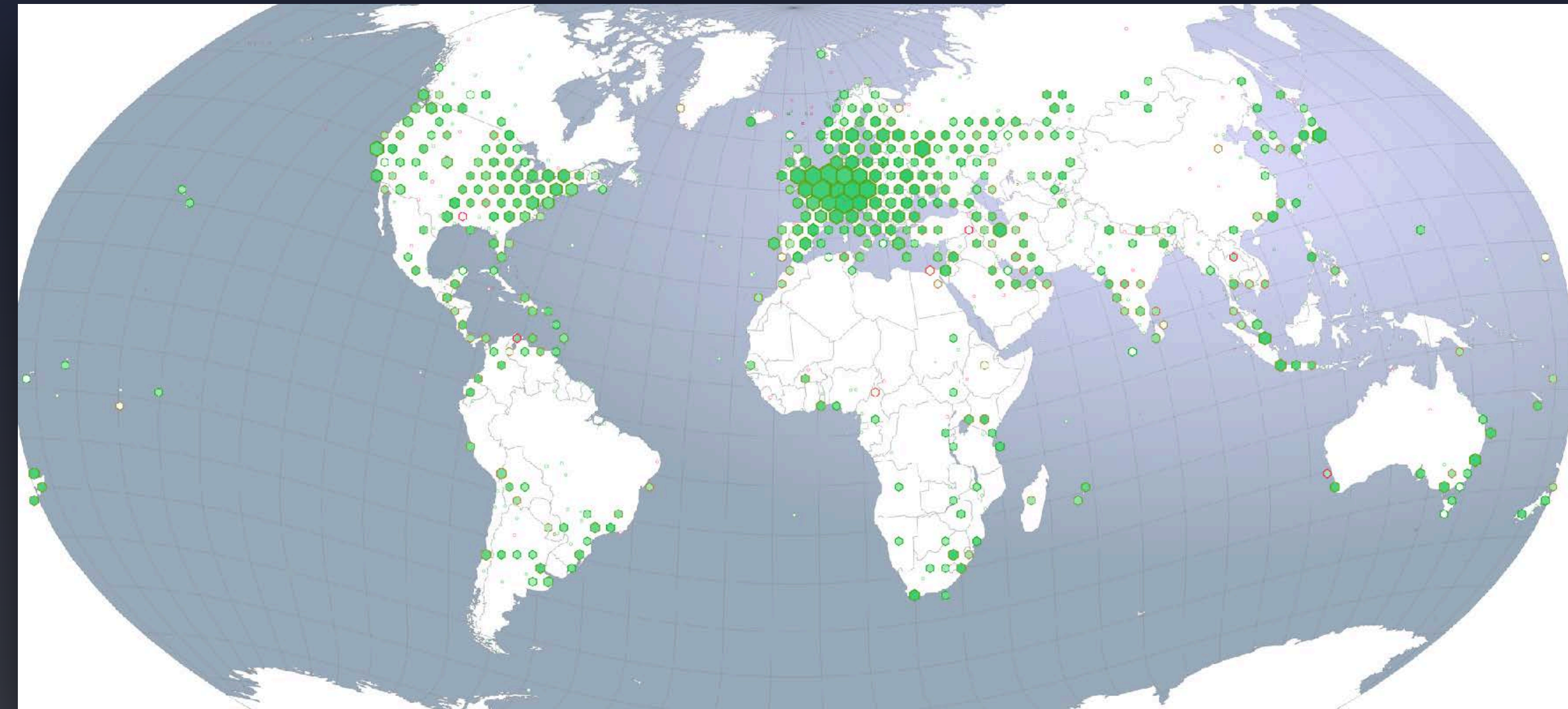
- Fund providing EUR 250,000 per year for projects supporting resilience and operation of the Internet
- Current Selection Committee:
  - Andreas Larson, Nuno Garcia, Mieke van Heesewijk, Salam Yamout
- Two seats open on the Selection Committee
- Please nominate yourself by 16 June 2019:

[www.ripe.net/s/sZWB](http://www.ripe.net/s/sZWB)

# RIPE Atlas



- Developing non-hardware solutions
  - RIPE Atlas VM anchors now available
  - In development: RIPE Atlas software probes
- RIPE Atlas tools and data
  - Supporting new tools and visualisations for network operators
  - Research and analysis based on RIPE Atlas
- Get involved
  - We aim to cover as many ASNs as possible



**We are looking for sponsors for RIPE Atlas!**

[atlas.ripe.net/get-involved/become-a-sponsor/](https://atlas.ripe.net/get-involved/become-a-sponsor/)

# RIPE NCC Certified Professionals



- Pilot exam testing for RIPE Database badge launching soon
- Apply to participate in the pilot testing round!

[www.ripe.net/certified-professionals](http://www.ripe.net/certified-professionals)

# RIPE NCC Survey 2019



- Previous survey took place in 2016 (4,400 participants)
- This will be our last survey before IPv4 exhaustion
- Available in 8 languages including Russian
- Please participate!

<http://www.ripe.net/survey>

3. Is your organisation a RIPE NCC Member?

Yes  No  Don't know

4. From a personal perspective, how long have you been interacting with the RIPE NCC


Less than 2 years  2-4 years

5-10 years  More than 10 years

Don't know / can't remember

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# Questions



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