

# Regional Initiatives Overview

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# Cooperation with Industry Partners

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- Virtual Peering Series Central Asia
- Internet Measurement Day
- K-root server operations in Central Asia recipients-announced

#### Virtual Peering Series - Central Asia



 Activity is co-organised by the RIPE NCC, ISOC and EURO-IX, with the support of Meta, Flexoptix, DE-CIX, Team Cymru, AMS-IX and NAMEX



















#### Virtual Peering Series - Central Asia



- The benefits of IXPs: they bring together network operators, content providers and DNS operators who are interested in improving the Internet in their countries and localities and developing plans for establishing and/or operating an IX
- Sharing regional expertise and discussing challenges together
- With Albert Toneyan, ARMIX, and Ucha Seturi, Small and Medium Telecom Operators Association of Georgia

#### Virtual Peering Series - Central Asia



#### Upcoming events:

- 19 July 2022
- 18 October 2022

#### Past events:

- 11 May 2021: https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-1/
- 13 July 2021: https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-2/
- 14 September 2021: https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-3/
- 7 December 2021: https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-4/
- 5 April 2022: <a href="https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-5/">https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-5/</a>
- 24 May 2022: <a href="https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-6/">https://www.internetsociety.org/events/virtual-peering-series-central-asia/vpsca-6/</a>

#### Internet Measurement Day



 Co-organised by the RIPE NCC and ICANN, with the engagement and support of industry partners and local counterparts

















#### Internet Measurement Day



- Internet measurement tools and systems are discussed at the event, such as:
  - RIPE Atlas
  - Identifier Technology Health Indicators (ITHI)
  - RPKI
  - Routing Information Service (RIS)
- Special attention is also paid to RIPEstat, our large-scale information service and open data platform
- Local counterparts also present local Internet measurements

### Supporting Root Server Operations 🛞



 The RIPE NCC operates K-root, one of the 13 Internet root name servers. The K-root service is provided by a set of distributed nodes using IPv4 and IPv6 anycast.

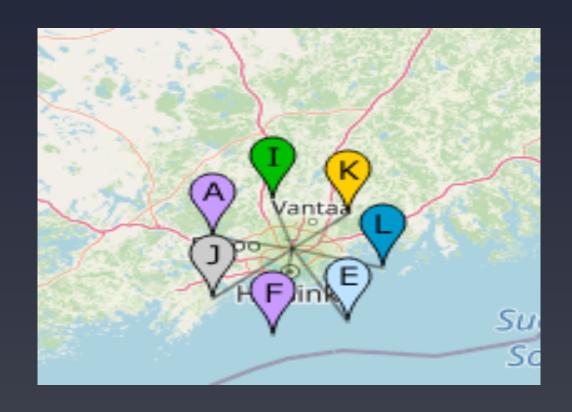
| Root Server | Operator  |
|-------------|---|
| A-root      | Verisign, Inc.  |
| B-root      | University of Southern California, Information Sciences Institute |
| C-root      | Cogent Communications   |
| D-root      | University of Maryland  |
| E-root      | NASA (Ames Research Center)                                       |
| F-root      | Internet Systems Consortium, Inc.                                 |
| G-root      | U.S. Department of Defence (NIC)                                  |
| H-root      | U.S. Army (Research Lab)  |
| I-root      | Netnod  |
| J-root      | Verisign, Inc.  |
| K-root      | RIPE NCC  |
| L-root      | ICANN   |
| M-root      | WIDE Project  |

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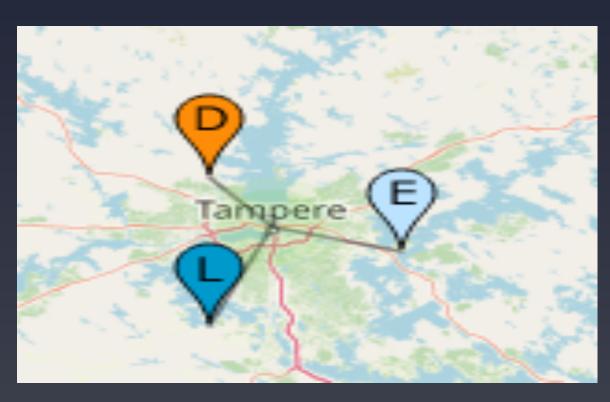
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Finland-Helsinki



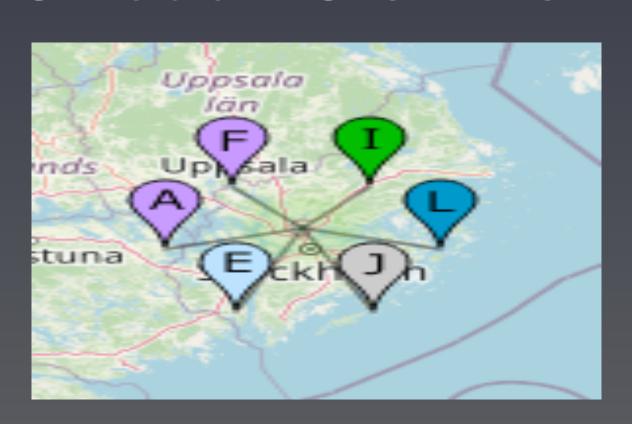
Finland-Tampere



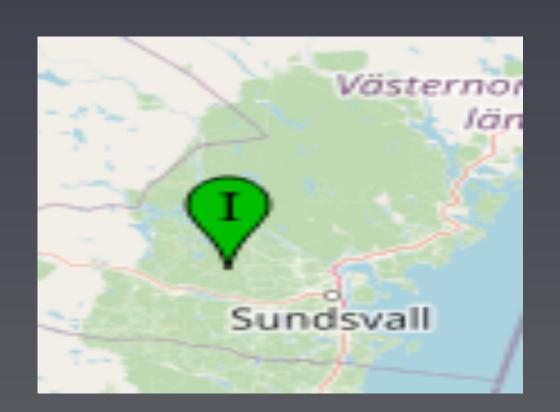
Finland-Oulu



Sweden-Stockholm



Sweden-Sundsvall



Sweden-Luleå



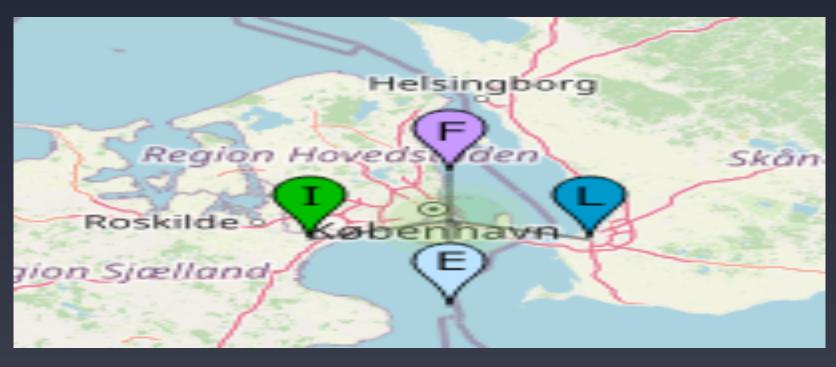
#### Root Servers in the Region (2)



Norway-Oslo

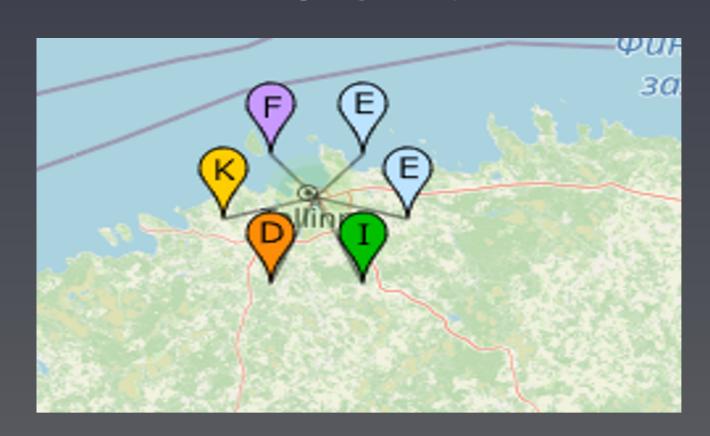


Denmark-Copenhagen Sweden-Gothenburg





Estonia



Latvia



Lithuania





# Training and Education

#### RACI: RIPE Academic Cooperation Initiative



- Started in 2013 as a way to connect the RIPE community with the research community
- Offers academics the chance to present their work, make connections and get feedback
- Successful applicants receive complementary tickets, travel and accommodation for meetings
- All applicants can publish their work through RIPE Labs:
  - labs.ripe.net
  - ripe.net/raci/mailing-list

#### Example RACI Topics



- Network measurements and analyses
- IPv6 deployment
- BGP routing
- Network security
- Internet governance
- Peering and interconnectivity
- Internet of Things (IoT)

#### RACI in 2021



- Mapping Connectivity and the Digital Space in Central Asia
- Project is carried out by Louis Pétiniaud under the supervision of Kevin Limonier, both working for GEODE, University of Paris 8, and supported by Loqman Salamatian at Columbia University.
- Read more about RACI on RIPE Labs:
  - https://labs.ripe.net/author/gergana\_petrova/raci-funding-in-2021-planning-andprojects/

#### RIPE NCC Academy



- Our free online learning platform for Internet networking professionals and students
- Current online courses include:
  - Introduction to IPv6
  - IPv6 Security
  - RIPE Database

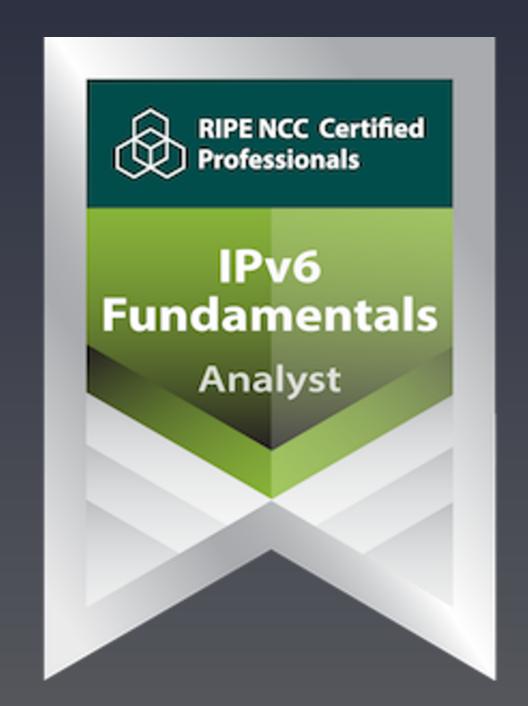


#### Certified Professionals



- Take online exams and get certified!
- Current exams include:
  - RIPE Database Associate
  - IPv6 Fundamentals Analyst
  - IPv6 Security Expert \*new\*







#### Workshops and Information Sessions (1)



- Phase 1 activities usually include half-day workshops/information sessions with partner universities/institutions
- Topics covered include Internet Fundamentals, Data Analytics, Trends in the Telecom Sector, the Domain Name System, etc
- Information sessions and presentations delivered in Armenia, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Russia
- Free of charge
- RIPE Atlas probe distribution
- Incorporating local and international partners to deliver localised content

#### Workshops and Information Sessions (2)



- Phase 2 activities may include deeper cooperation to:
  - Work together with RIPE Atlas
  - Develop and deploy joint educational programs
  - Support the organisation of hackathons by partner universities/ institutions
  - Organise RIPE NCC hackathons with partner universities/institutions

#### Webinars



One-hour interactive webinars on the following topics:

- Internet Governance
- Internet Routing Registry
- RIPE Atlas Usage
- Introduction to the RIPE
   Database
- IPv6 Addressing Plan

- IPv6 in the RIPE Database
- New LIRS
- IPv6 Prefix Calculation
- RPKI
- RIPE Policy



## Community Engagement

### RIPE NCC Community Projects Fund



- The RIPE NCC has a long history of supporting projects and innovative ideas
- In 2017, we formalised these efforts through the RIPE NCC Community Projects Fund
- EUR 250,000 a year to support non-commercial projects of value to the operation and resilience of the Internet
- Supports 'the good of the Internet'
- Preference for projects from our service region

#### Project Criteria



- Must benefit the Internet, particularly the RIPE community
- Must be non-commercial
- There must be a clear project plan and timeline
- Applicants may apply as many times as they want for different projects per year
- The same project may be funded more than once, but not in the same year
- Find out more at:
  - https://www.ripe.net/support/cpf

#### Funding



- No minimum amount of funding that must be disbursed each year
- No limit on the number of projects that can be funded each year
- May be used to purchase equipment, but this cannot be the sole expenditure
- Cannot be used for humanitarian aid, donations or to encourage political reform
- Cannot be used to provide scholarships or cover tuition fees
- Cannot be used to support commercial activities

#### 2022 Applications



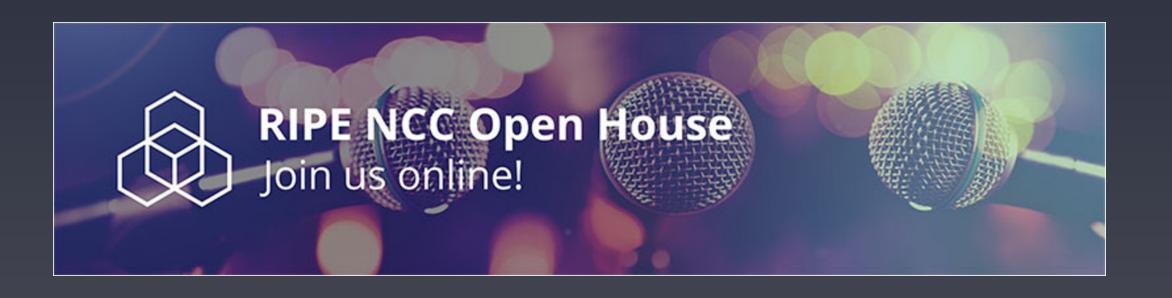
- The call for applications for the next funding round opens in mid-June 2022
- See RIPE Labs for updates from previous funding recipients



#### Open Houses



- 90-minute virtual events
- Open to all interested stakeholders
- Various topics, such as:
  - Academic Cooperation and e-learning
  - Internet in Kazakhstan
  - Central Asia Country Report
  - What does the new Digital Services Act mean for you?
- See upcoming events at:
  - https://www.ripe.net/participate/meetings/open-house





## Questions



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