



# Introduction to the RIPE NCC





# What – Another Introduction?

- Yes, because **RIPE** is different from the **RIPE Network Coordination Centre (RIPE NCC)**
- The RIPE NCC is an incorporated **membership organisation**
- **RIPE** is an open and collaborative **forum**



# History

- The RIPE NCC was formed by the **RIPE community** in 1992 as secretariat to support the activities of **RIPE** to:
  - Enable the technical coordination of the Internet infrastructure
  - Ensure neutrality and impartiality
  - Provide a consistent contact point

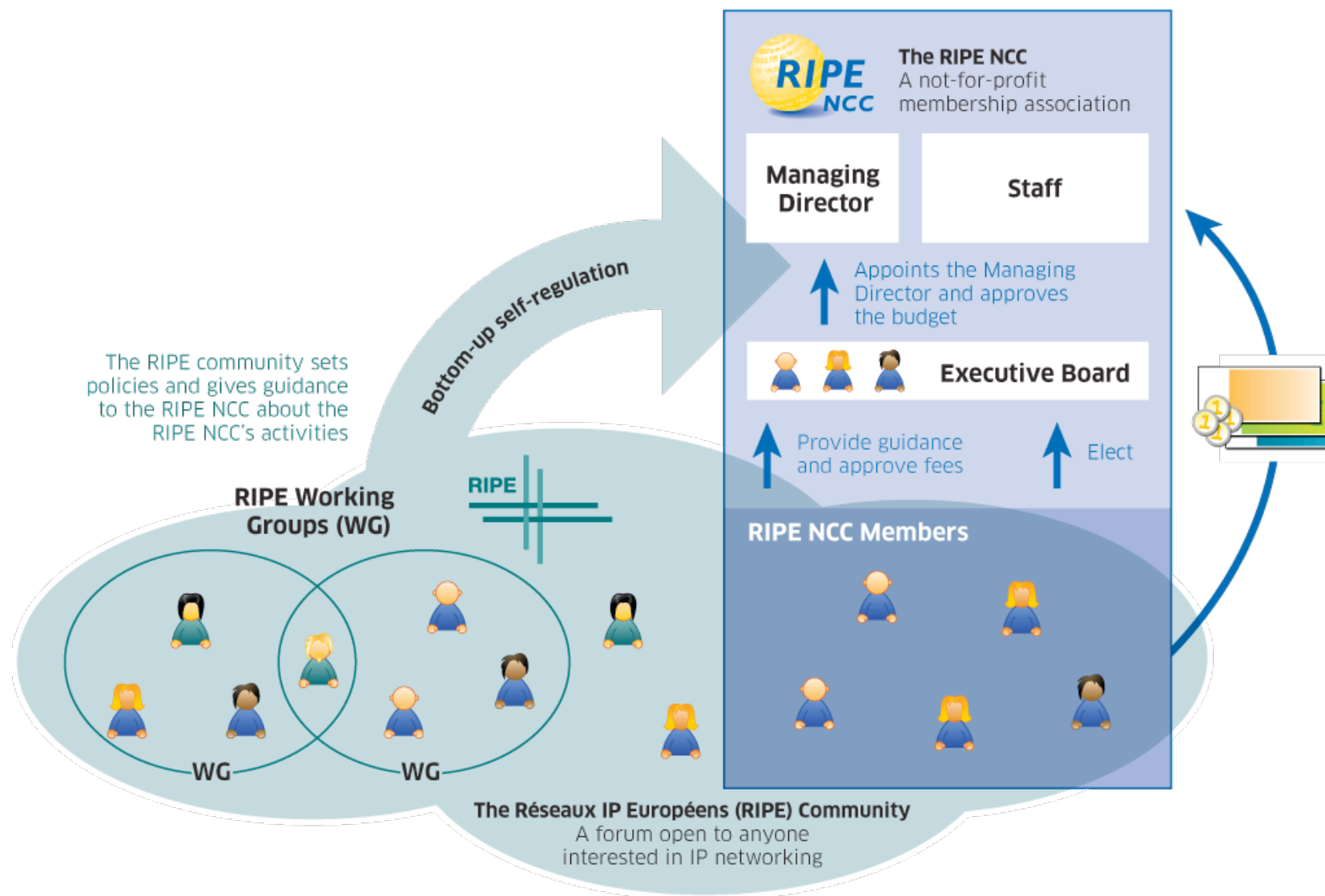


# About the RIPE NCC

- Bottom-up, self-regulated, **membership** association
- Open to everyone
- Not-for-profit
- Incorporated in the Netherlands, governed by Dutch law
- Funded entirely by members; fully autonomous
  - ✓ Open
  - ✓ Transparent
  - ✓ Neutral
  - ✓ Impartial



# Structural Overview





# Evaluating RIPE NCC Services & Activities

- Members give feedback to Executive Board:
  - During RIPE NCC General Meetings (GM)
  - Via the RIPE NCC Services Working Group
    - Session / Mailing List



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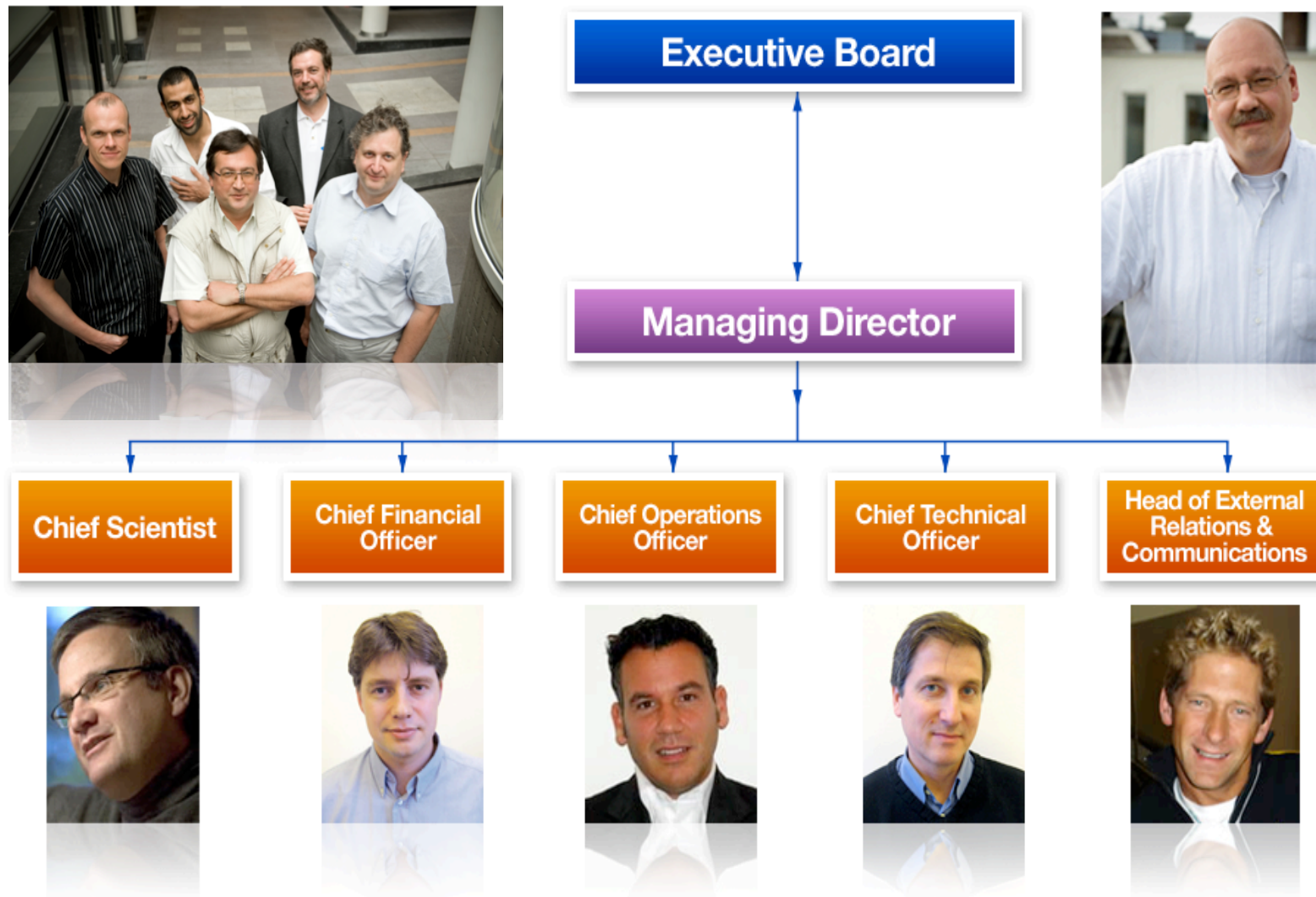
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Starting in RIPE NCC Services WG

Members only – Registration required



# Who's Who





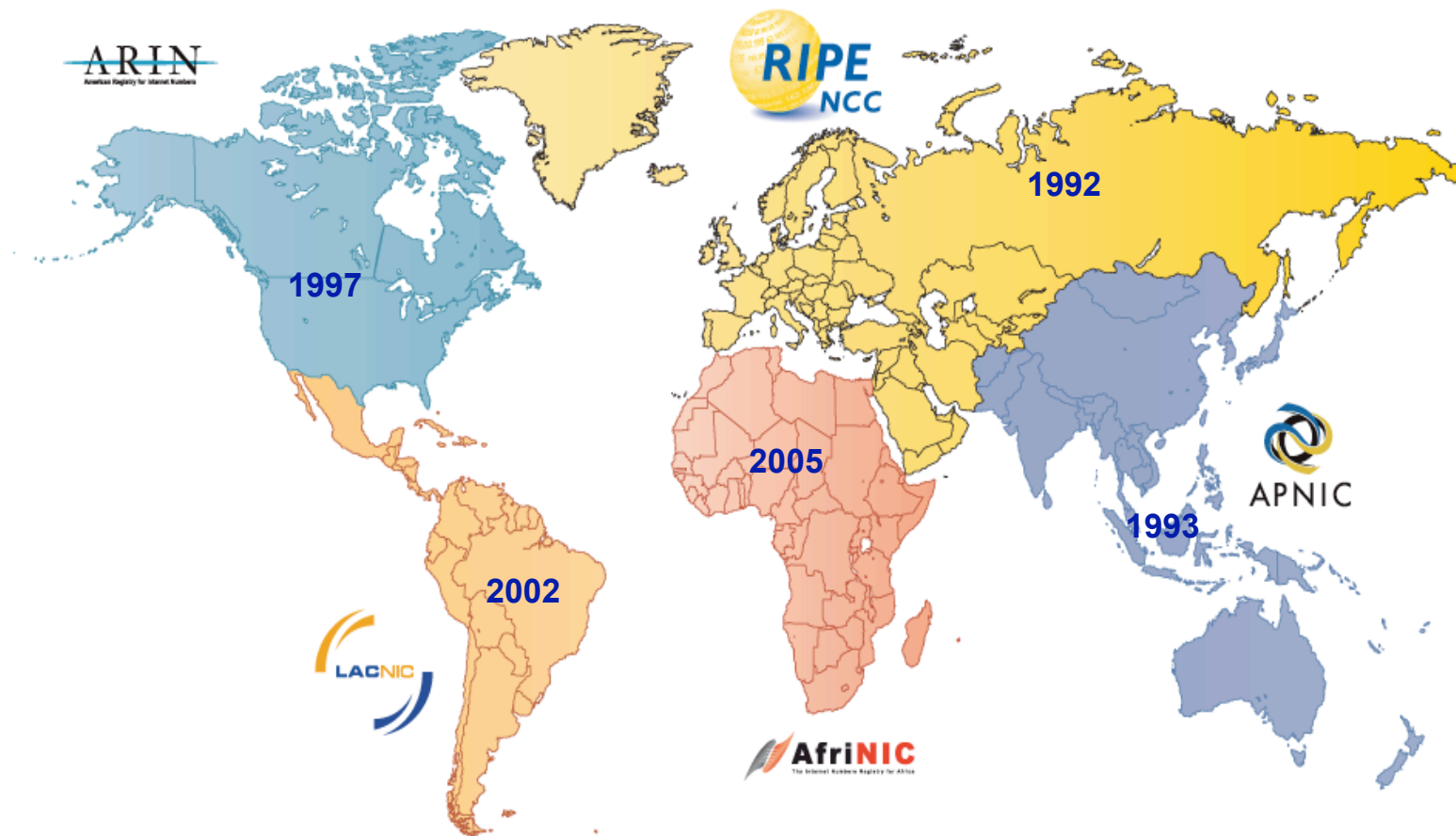
# The RIPE NCC's Tasks

- Technical coordination of the Internet
- Support for the activities of RIPE
- Services for RIPE NCC members
- One of the world's five Regional Internet Registries (RIRs):
  - Registration and allocation/assignment of
    - IPv4 addresses
    - IPv6 addresses
    - Autonomous System Numbers (ASN)





# Regional Internet Registries (RIRs)



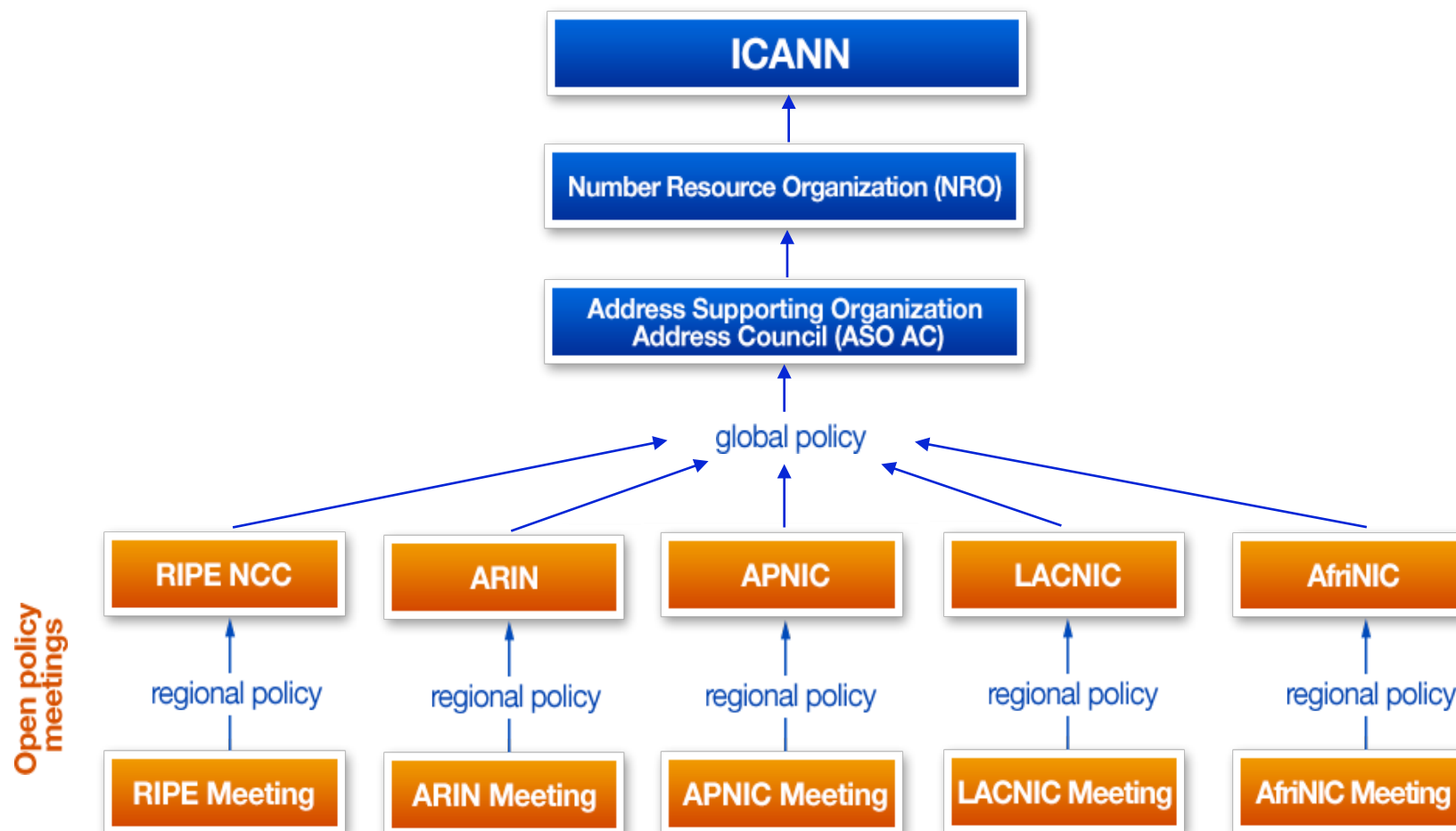


# Who makes Policy?

- The **RIPE community** proposes, discusses and accepts the policies that govern Internet resource allocation and assignment in the **RIPE** region
  - Policies are developed bottom-up:
    - Using the **RIPE Policy Development Process (PDP)**
    - During **RIPE Meetings**
    - On **RIPE Mailing Lists**
- × The RIPE NCC does not accept or reject policies



# Global Policy Formation





# The Number Resource Organization (**NRO**)

- The five RIRs form the **NRO**
- The **NRO** enables the RIRs to act collectively to:
  - Facilitate technical coordination of the Internet at a **global** level
  - Protect the unallocated pool of Internet number resources
  - Act as a single point of contact for the **global** Internet community
  - Ensure the global cooperation necessary for the continuing stability and integrity of the Internet





# More Information...

- “Meet & Greet” Activities
- <http://rosie.ripe.net>



## Even More Information

- **The RIPE NCC:**  
<http://ripe.net/info/ncc/index.html>
- **RIPE:**  
<http://ripe.net/ripe/index.html>
- **The Number Resource Organization (NRO):**  
<http://www.nro.net>



# Questions?

