



Recommended Draft Policy

2013-4

RIR Principles

2013-4 - History

1. **Origin: ARIN-prop-187 (April 2013)**
2. **AC Shepherds: Chris Grundemann, Cathy Aronson, and Owen DeLong**
3. **Accepted as Draft Policy – May**
4. **Presented – ARIN PPC at NANOG 58 (June)**
5. **Revised in July and August**
6. **Staff assessment - September**
7. **AC recommended adoption – September**
8. **Recommended Draft Policy online & in Discussion Guide**

https://www.arin.net/policy/proposals/2013_4.html

2013-4 – ARIN Staff Summary

- **Adds text to the NRPM which codifies the guiding principles of the registry system as registration, conservation, routability, and stewardship.**

2013-4 – Status at other RIRs

- **New similar proposal at LACNIC**
 - LAC-2013-02 Principles Governing the Distribution of Number Resources
 - Purpose: “To group the principles governing the distribution of Internet number resources in a single, initial paragraph.”
 - <http://www.lacnic.net/documents/10834/393498/lac-2013-02-EN.pdf>

2013-4 – Staff Assessment

Staff Comments: Issues/Concerns?

- Staff notes that the proposal does not appear to change any existing processes or procedures.
- Inclusion into the policy manual will make it more clear to the community the principles under which ARIN has operated.
- Staff notes that registration, conservation, and routability already exist in the NRPM, the term stewardship would be new.
- Note that the ARIN PDP contains the following: "4. Principles of Internet Number Resource Policy" Internet number resource policy must satisfy three important principles, specifically: 1) enabling fair and impartial number resource administration, 2) technically sound (providing for uniqueness and usability of number resources), and 3) supported by the community." Furthermore RFC 7020 refers to "1) Allocation Pool Management, 2) Hierarchical Allocation, and 3) Registration Accuracy".

Resource Impact: Minimal (3 months)

- Updated guidelines and staff training

2013-4 – Legal Assessment

- **The text of the policy does not create a material legal issue for ARIN. Any effort like this to accurately incorporate in writing the concepts that animate ARIN's activity is a positive development.**

2013-4 – PPML Discussion

- **No comments since being recommended for adoption**
- Earlier Draft Policy discussion included:
 - “...all three previous principles must be balanced with one another, and stewardship is the principle which informs that balancing act...”
 - “Don't call it "stewardship." Call it what you just called it: Balance. Better yet, crib from NRPM 6.3.8 and tell us how to weigh the three principles in order to achieve balance.”
 - “Is this intended to be a 'global policy'”?