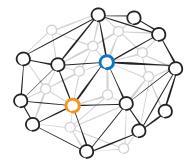


## Internet Number Resource Policy Life Cycle



Global Internet Number Resource policy is developed through a bottom-up open and inclusive approach. Beginning in geographic regions, issues are raised through the Regional Internet Registry communities in the Number Resource Organization (NRO) and brought into the Address Supporting Organization (ASO). Global policies are forwarded to the ICANN Board of Directors and upon ratification, new policy is implemented through the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) working cooperatively with the Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) and their constituencies in the respective regions.

INTERNET GOVERNANCE ECOSYSTEM

REGIONAL

COMMUNITY

The internet ecosystem consists of a collaborative network of organizations responsible for standardization, coordination, administration and day-to-day management in the Internet sphere including the IETF, ICANN, the IANA function, the RIRs, governments, IGOs and NGOs, and many others. Each organization has a specific role and provides fundamental value to the overall functioning of the Internet.

**RIR** 

Each regional community contributes three members to the Address Council.

## 5 RIRs

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RIRs administer Internet Number Resources within their geographic regions, according to defined regional policies.

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The NRO represents the 5 RIRs collectively, and established the ASO by agreement with ICANN.



Global policies must first be ratified by the RIRs. Each RIR community must ratify an identical version of the proposed policy. This policy is then forwarded by the ASO AC to the ICANN Board for ratification.

> GLOBAL Policy process

GLOBAL POLICY IMPLEMENTATION



NOMCOM Nominating Committee

Affirmation of Commitments

Internet Number Resources

Number Resource Organization

**Regional Internet Registries** 

Address Supporting Organization

Internet Assigned Numbers Authority

Internet Protocol (address or number)

Address Supporting Organization Address Council

(IPv4 addresses, IPv6 addresses and AS Numbers)

Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

POLICY DEVELOPMEN

REGIONAL

POLICY PROCESS

(x5 Regions)

GIONAL POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

AoC

ASO

IANA

INR

IP

NRO

RIRs

ICANN

ASO AC

GLOSSARY



The ASO AC oversees the global policy development process for the creation of global Internet Number Resource policies, and delivers agreed policies to ICANN's Board of Directors for ratification.

POLICY

AFCONMENDATIONS



The ASO exists within the ICANN framework to oversee the policy development process for global Internet Number Resource policy.

The ASO AC appoints members to the ICANN Board, the ICANN Review Teams, the NOMCOM and other ICANN entities.

AoC

Review

Teams

NOMCOM

The ICANN Board ratifies global Internet Number Resource policies for implementation.

ICANN

BOARD

CANN

Global Internet Resource Number policies are implemented by ICANN through the IANA function.

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