



IANA: Who, what, why?

(or, Why the IANA functions are less interesting than you thought)

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IANA Department — Who are we?



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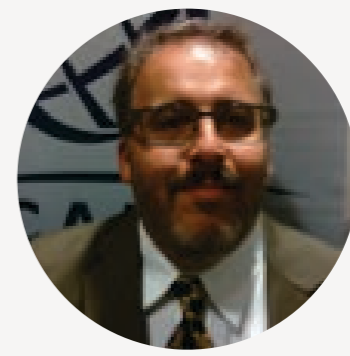
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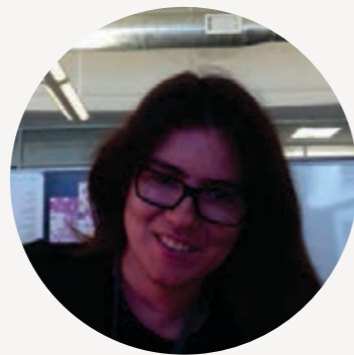
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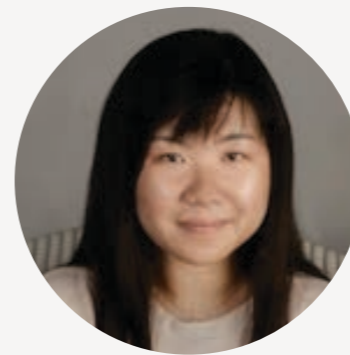
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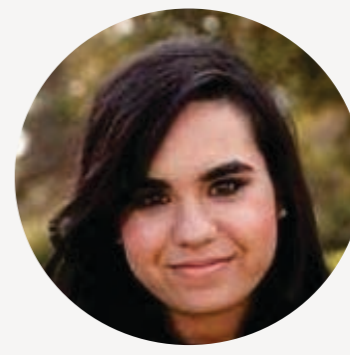
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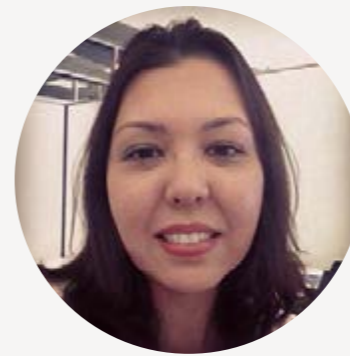
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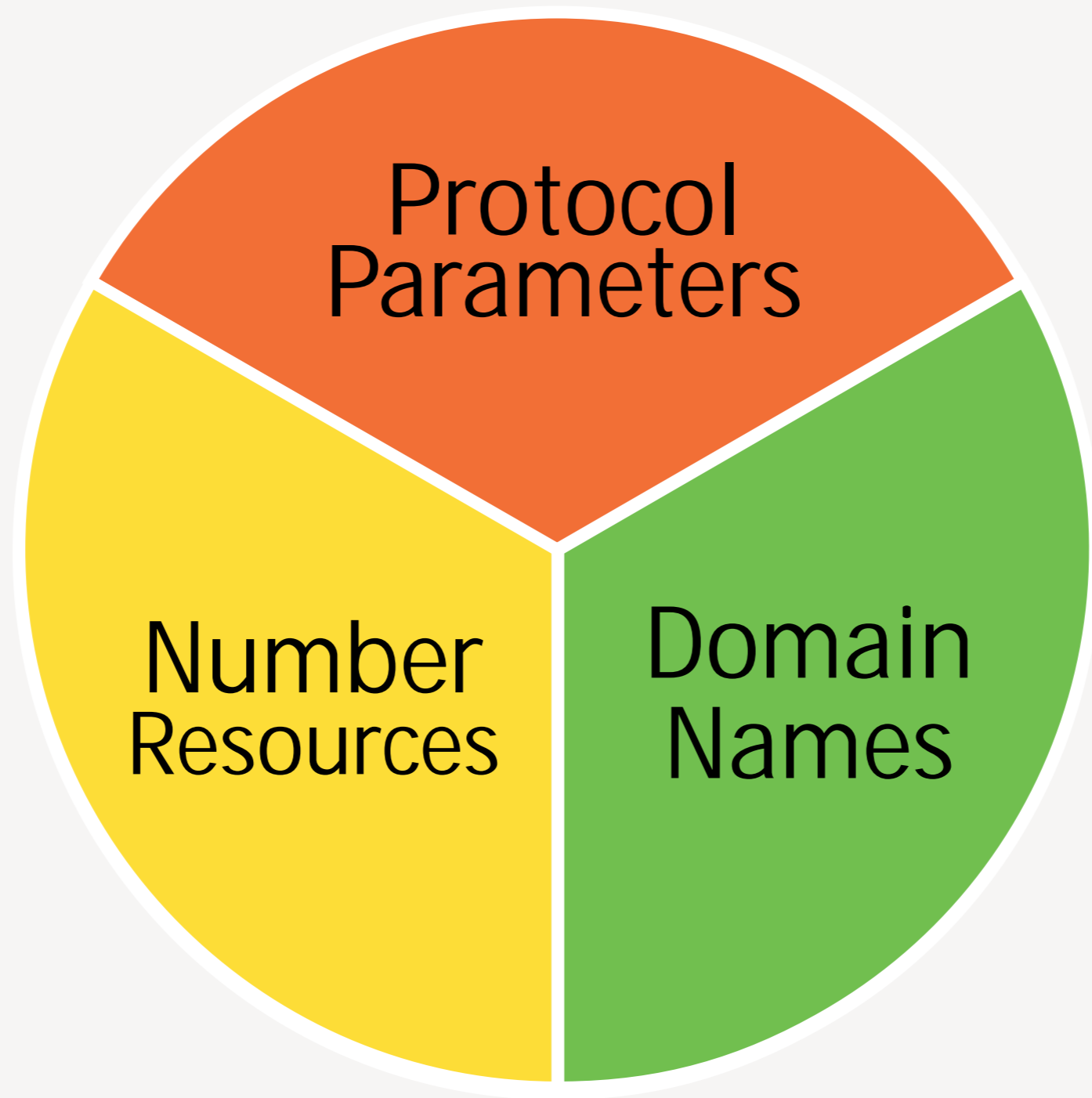
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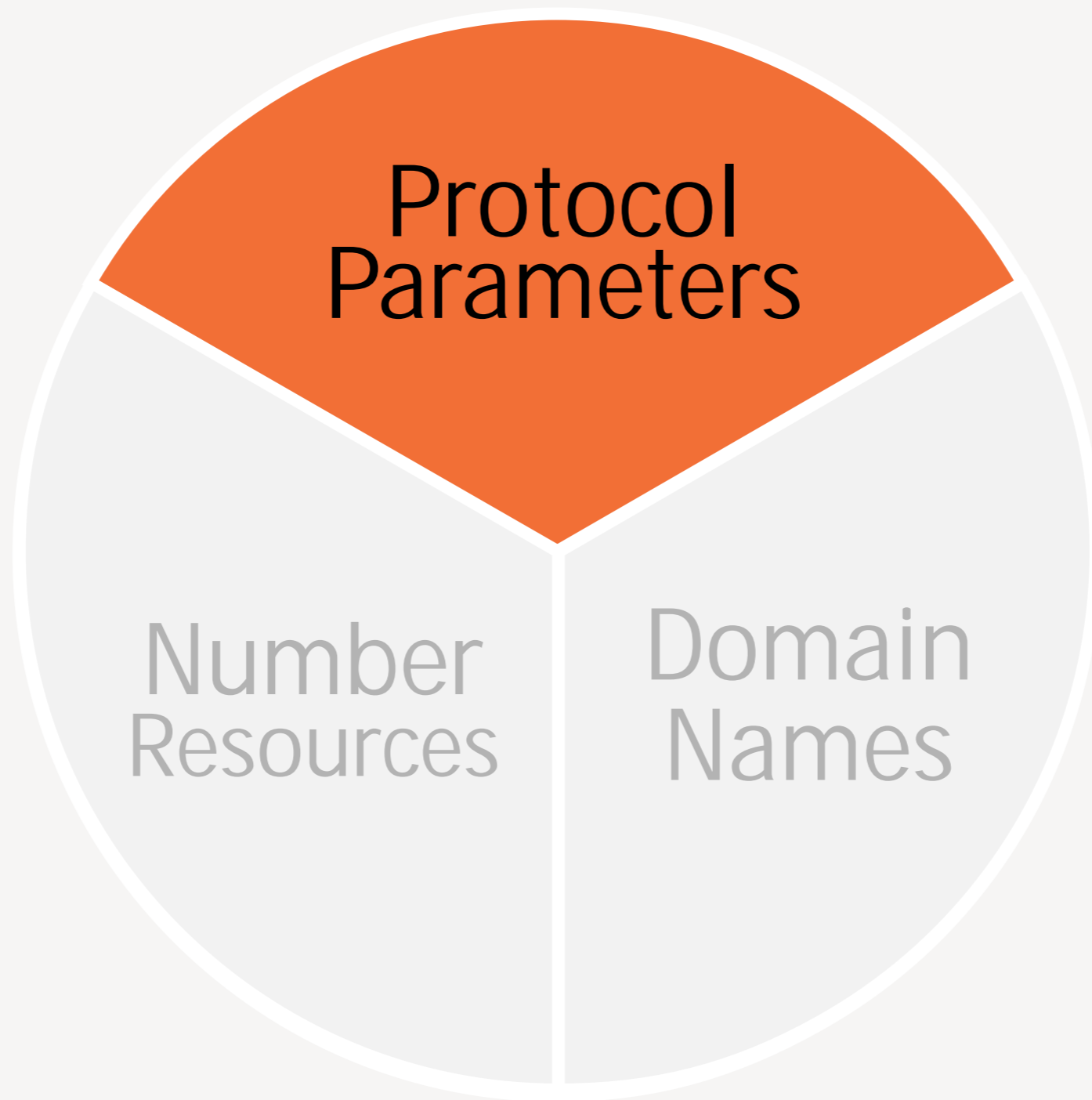
What are the IANA functions?

- In 1998, ICANN was established as the steward and operator of the IANA functions
- The IANA Department within ICANN maintains the registries of the Internet's unique identifiers
- The unique identifiers include protocol parameters, Internet numbers and domain names
- The IANA Department maintains these lists according to policies adopted by Internet names, numbers and protocol standards communities

Why does the IANA Department exist?

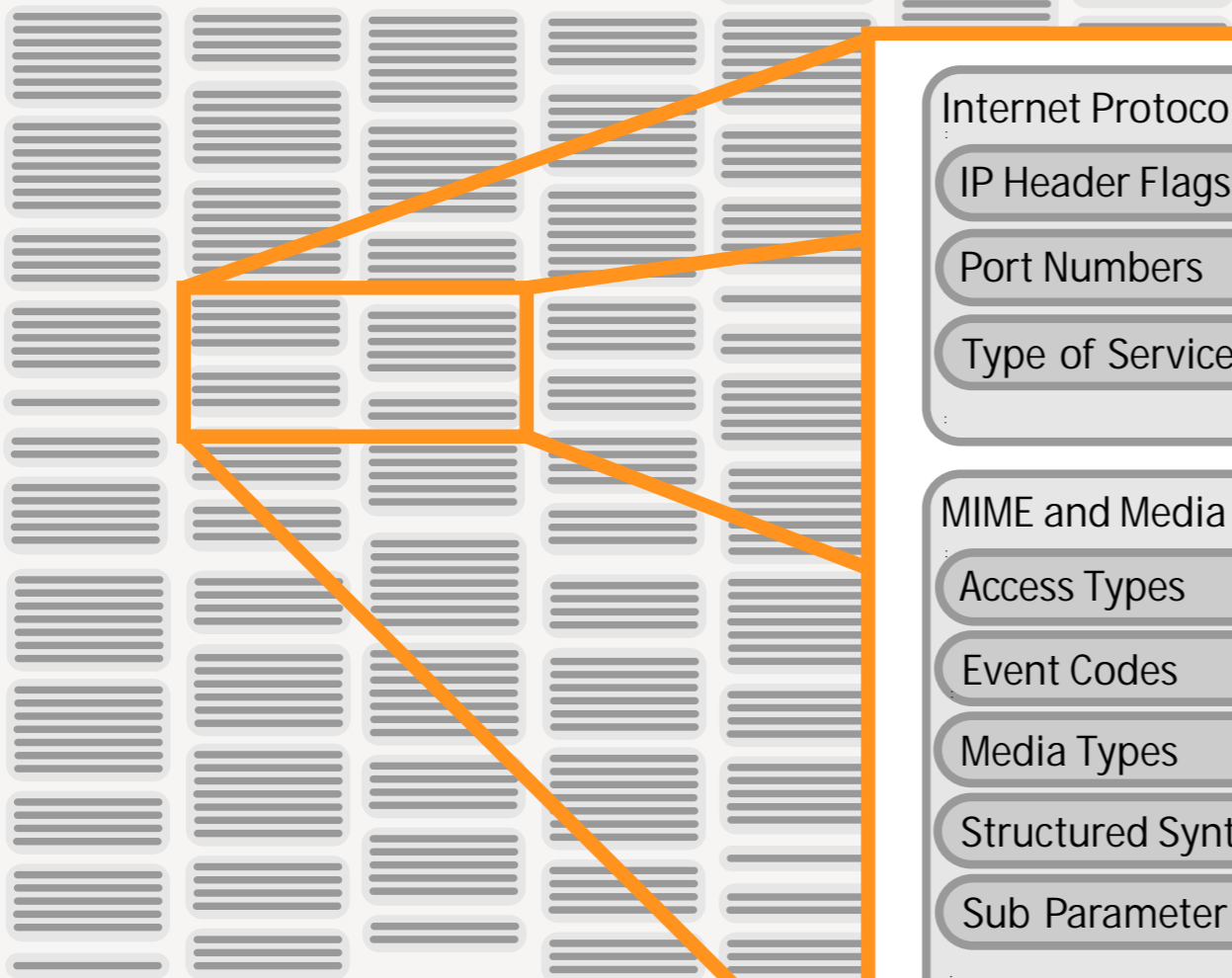
- The IANA Department within ICANN coordinates the Internet unique identifier systems needed to ensure the Internet interoperates globally
- If computers did not use the same system of identifiers and numbers to talk to one another, the system would not interoperate
- The authoritative registries are used by vendors, service providers, businesses, application developers and others to innovate and expand the use of the Internet





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Unique Identifiers



Internet Protocol

IP Header Flags

Port Numbers

Type of Service Values

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MIME and Media Types

Access Types

Event Codes

Media Types

Structured Syntax Suffixes

Sub Parameter Registries

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Telephone Routing over IP

Address Families

Application Protocols

Attributes

Capabilities

IP Telephony Administrative Domain Numbers

Transmission Control Protocol

Header Flags

Cryptographic Algorithms

MPTCP Handshake Algorithms

Option Kind Numbers

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Comprehensive index of protocol parameter registries at
iana.org/protocols

Where do protocol parameter registries come from?

- The Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) community writes Internet Drafts (I-Ds)
- When approved by the leadership of the IETF, these I-Ds become official Requests for Comments (RFCs)
- Many RFCs contain guidance to the IANA Department:
 - Instructions on the creation of a unique registry for protocol parameters
 - Registration policy
 - Initial registrations and reserved values

What is the IANA Department's role with protocol parameter registries?

- **Before RFC approval:**
 - Review
- **After RFC approval:**
 - Implementation
 - Maintenance

Reviewing Internet Drafts before RFC approval

7. IANA Considerations

7.1. Registry for the fedfsAnnotation Key Namespace

This document defines the fedfsAnnotation key in Section 4.2.1.6. The fedfsAnnotation key namespace is to be managed by IANA. IANA is to create and maintain a new registry entitled "FedFS Annotation Keys". The location of this registry should be under a new heading called "Federated File System (FedFS) Parameters". The URL address can be based off of the new heading name, for example:
<http://www.iana.org/assignments/fedfs-parameters/...>

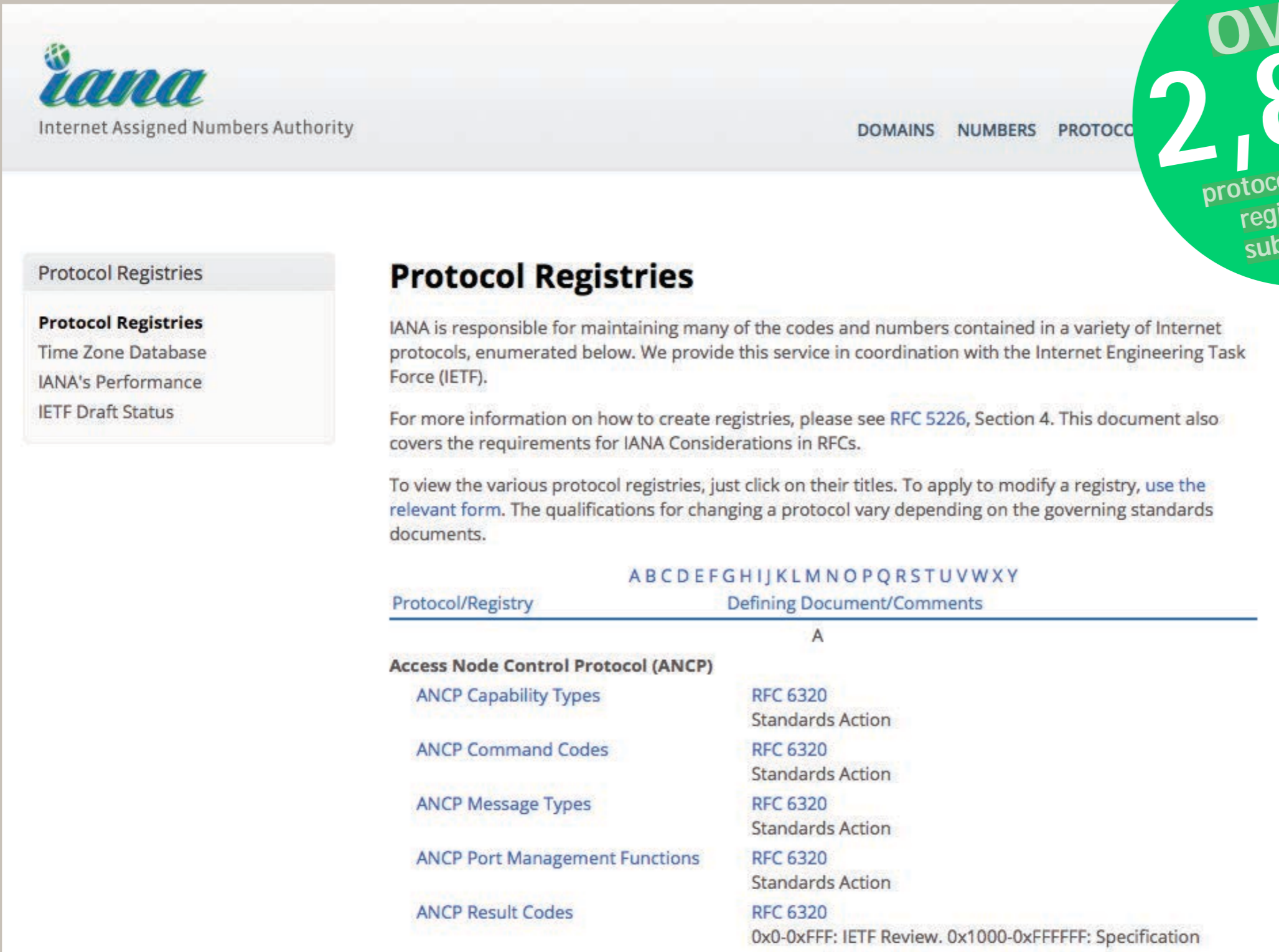
Future registrations are to be administered by IANA using the "First Come First Served" policy defined in [RFC5226]. Registration requests MUST include the key (a valid UTF-8 string of any length), a brief description of the key's purpose, and an email contact for the registration. For viewing, the registry should be sorted lexicographically by key. There are no initial assignments for this registry.

Work closely with the IETF community to make sure the "IANA Considerations" section of I-Ds is clear

Implementation and Maintenance for protocol parameter registries

- After RFC approval:
 - **Creation** of new registries and/or **updates** to existing registries
 - **Maintain** through accepting registration requests from the Internet community
 - Follow the registration policy for new registrations and modification to existing registrations
 - Update references

How many registries does the IANA Department maintain?



The screenshot shows the IANA website's 'Protocol Registries' page. At the top left is the IANA logo and the text 'Internet Assigned Numbers Authority'. To the right are navigation links for 'DOMAINS', 'NUMBERS', and 'PROTOCOLS'. A green circular callout on the right side of the page contains the text 'over 2,800 protocol parameter registries and sub registries'. On the left, a sidebar menu lists 'Protocol Registries', 'Protocol Registries', 'Time Zone Database', 'IANA's Performance', and 'IETF Draft Status'. The main content area has a heading 'Protocol Registries' followed by a paragraph explaining IANA's role. Below this is a paragraph about RFC 5226. Further down is a paragraph about viewing registries and applying for changes. At the bottom, there is a table with columns for 'Protocol/Registry' and 'Defining Document/Comments', with a sub-header 'A' for the first section. The table lists several ANCP-related registries and their corresponding RFC 6320 documents.

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Protocol Registries

IANA is responsible for maintaining many of the codes and numbers contained in a variety of Internet protocols, enumerated below. We provide this service in coordination with the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF).

For more information on how to create registries, please see [RFC 5226](#), Section 4. This document also covers the requirements for IANA Considerations in RFCs.

To view the various protocol registries, just click on their titles. To apply to modify a registry, use the relevant form. The qualifications for changing a protocol vary depending on the governing standards documents.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Protocol/Registry Defining Document/Comments

A

Access Node Control Protocol (ANCP)

ANCP Capability Types	RFC 6320 Standards Action
ANCP Command Codes	RFC 6320 Standards Action
ANCP Message Types	RFC 6320 Standards Action
ANCP Port Management Functions	RFC 6320 Standards Action
ANCP Result Codes	RFC 6320 0x0-0xFFF: IETF Review. 0x1000-0xFFFFF: Specification



Processing Protocol Parameter Requests

Request

What type of protocol parameter is being requested?

Registration Policy

Look at the named registry to determine which registration policy to follow.
Defining RFC determines the policy.

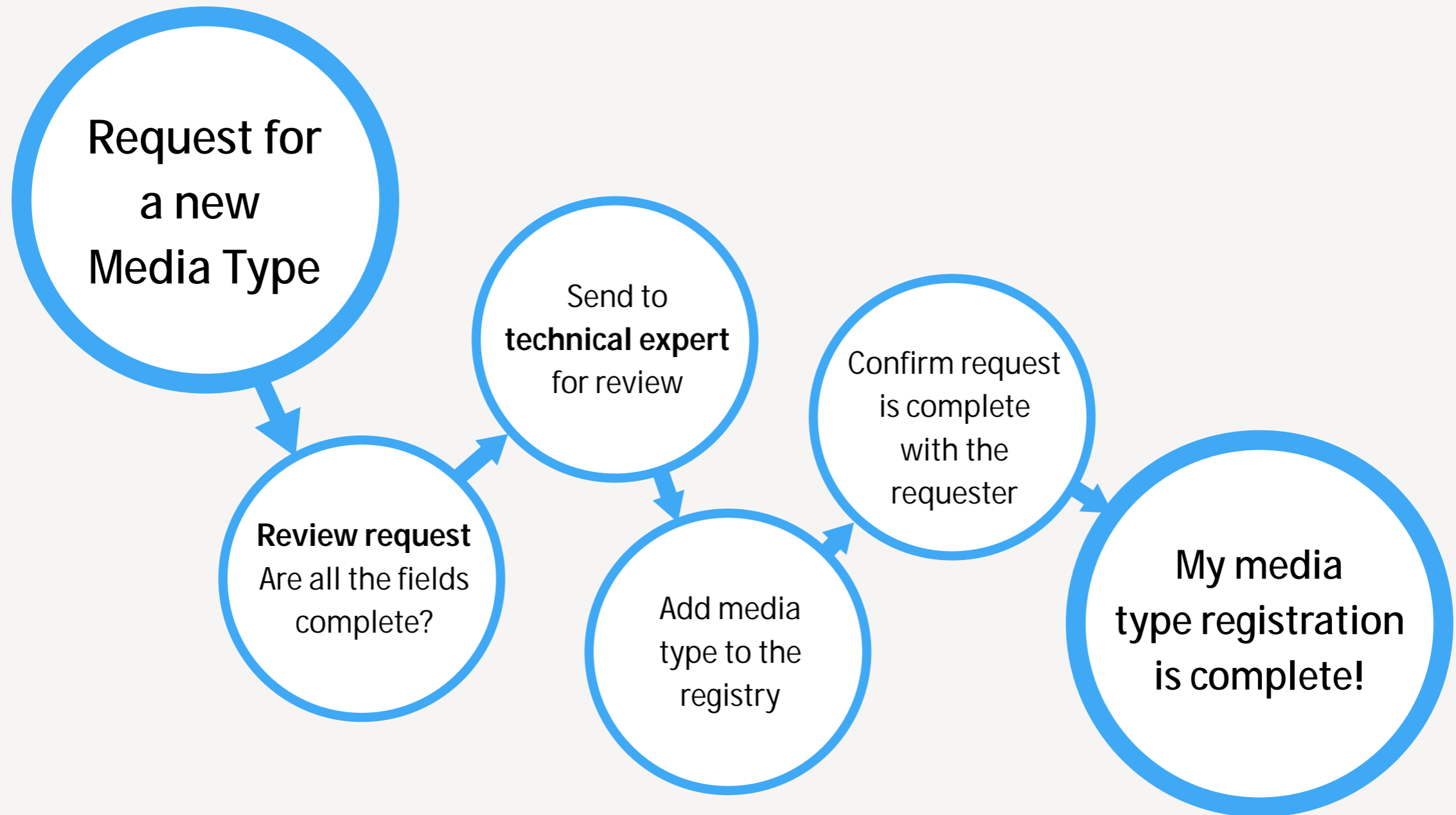
Processing and Evaluation

- Follow the appropriate process according to registration policy
- Consult with experts if required
- Gather more information from requester if needed

Update Registry

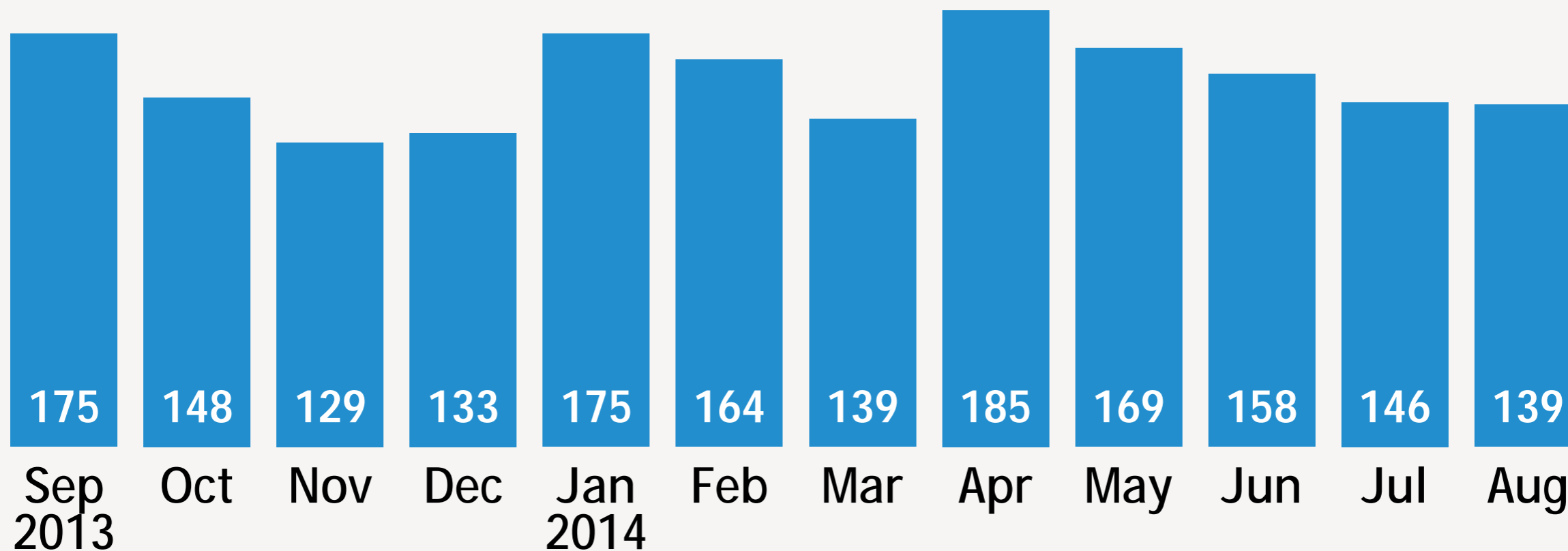
- Make protocol parameter assignment in registry
- Notify the requester the registration is complete

Processing Protocol Parameter Requests



Requests per month

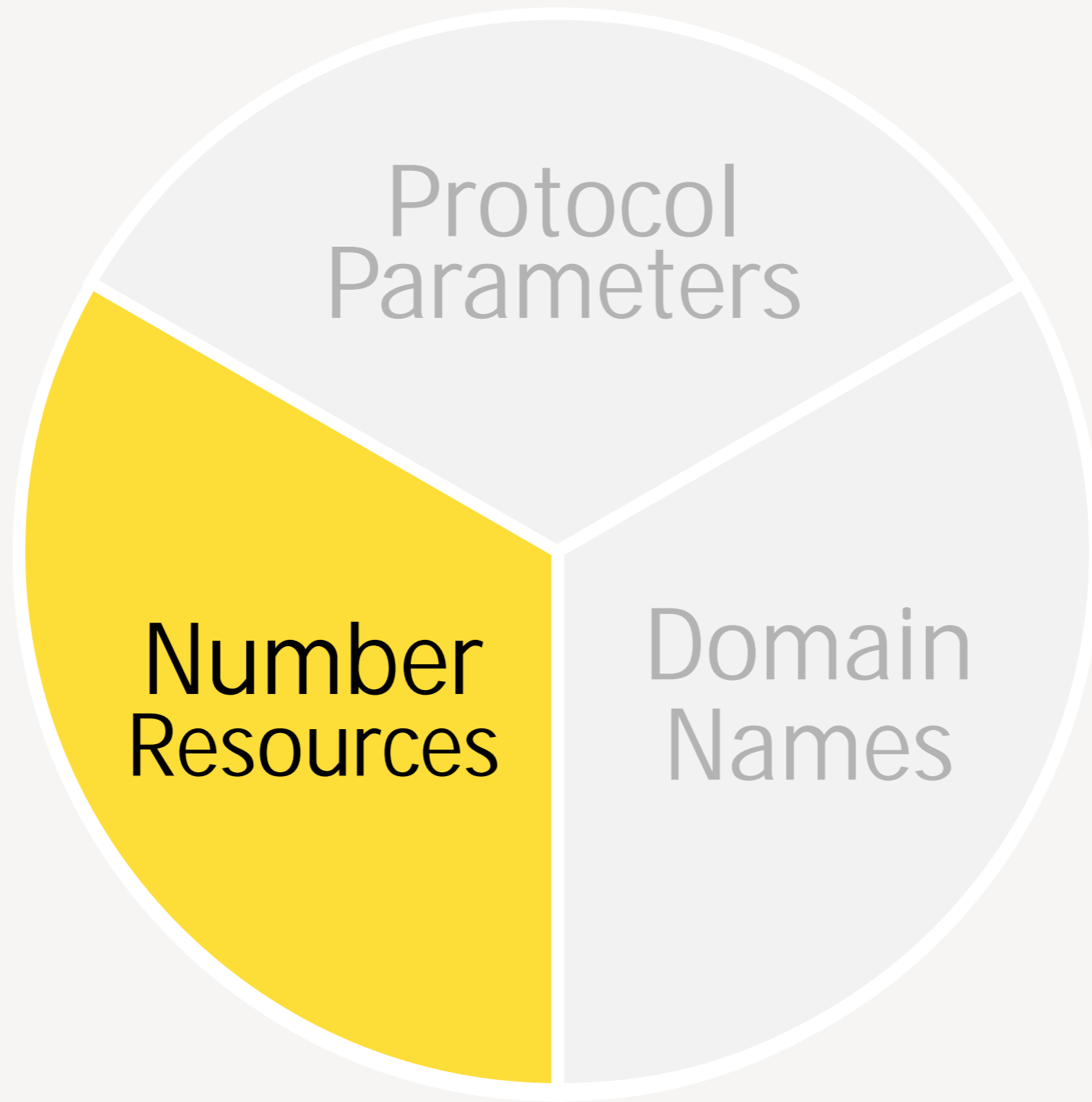
(Excludes Private Enterprise Numbers)



Performance Targets

- Performance standards were developed collaboratively with the IETF to supplement the existing MoU between ICANN and the IETF
- Began reporting in 2007 on the Service Level Agreement deliverables
- SLA is reviewed, modified and approved annually

2014	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
SLA Met	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
KPIs Met	99%	98%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	99%



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Unique Identifiers

Internet Protocol

IPv4 Addresses

IPv6 Addresses

IP Header Flags

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Border Gateway Protocol

AS Numbers

Path Attributes

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Deterministic Decision Making

- The policies have deterministic formulas governing **when** an RIR can get more and **how much** they can get
- IPv4 is allocated on a schedule and not by request
- IPv6 and AS Numbers are allocated on receipt of a justified request
- Staff validate what an RIR reports against what it publishes via its daily stats reports

Allocation Types

- **Formula + Request**
(IPv6 and ASN allocations)
- **Formula + Schedule**
(IPv4 allocations)
- **IETF Allocation Procedures**
(Non-Unicast Addresses)

Formula + Request

(IPv6)

Request

- ✓ Comes from an RIR

Do they qualify?

- ✓ Less than half of a /12 in reserve
- or
- ✓ Not enough to last 9 months

What do they get?

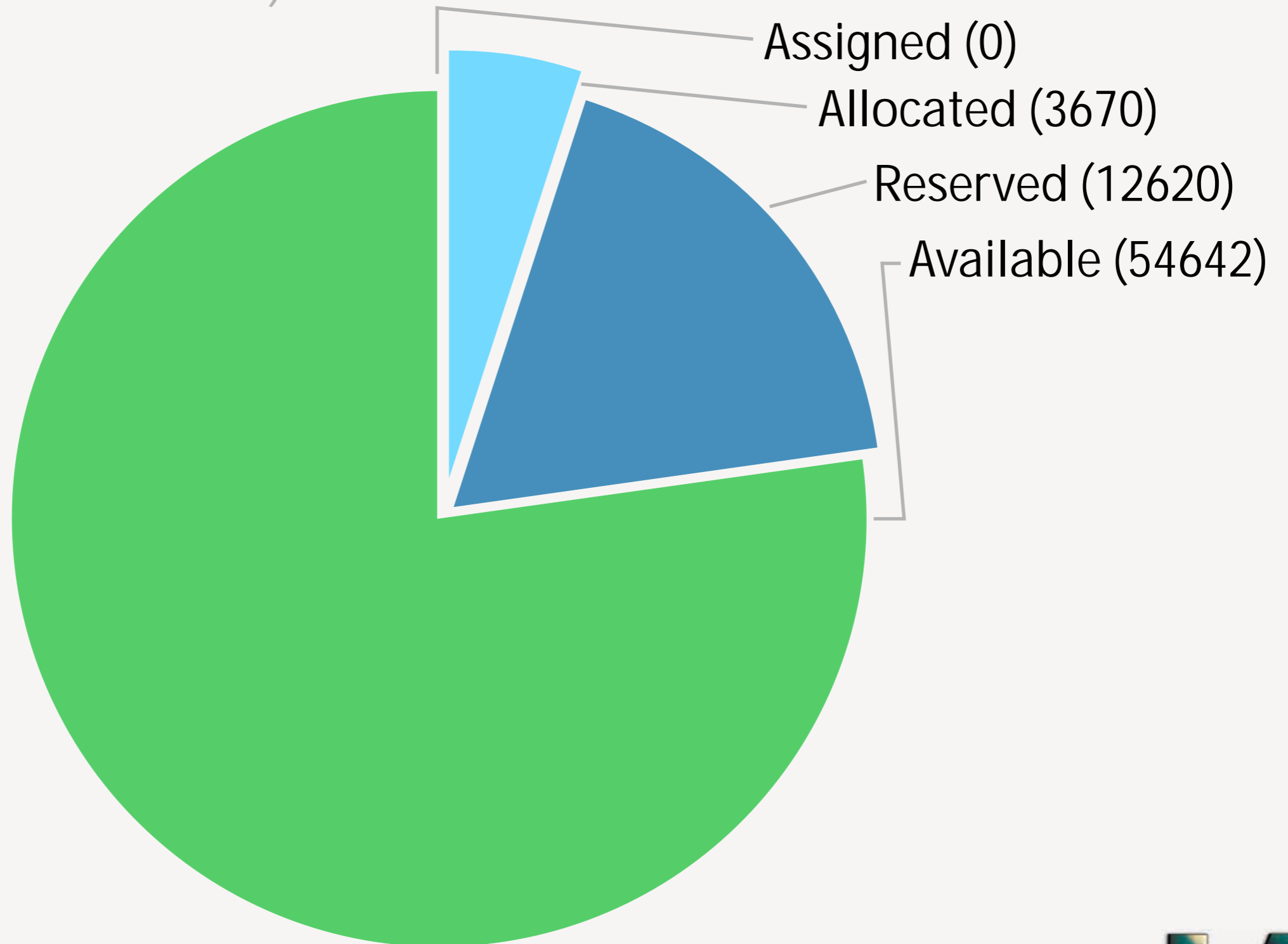
$$n = \frac{(6\text{mo usage}) \times 18}{/12 \text{ block}}$$

$$n \leq 1 \rightarrow 1 \times /12 \text{ block}$$

$$n > 1 \rightarrow \lceil n \rceil \times /12 \text{ block}$$

RIPE NCC IPv6 Pool as at 2014 10 02

(Millions of /48 addresses)



Allocate and Communicate (1)

PREFIX	DESIGNATION	DATE	STATUS
5F00::/8	IANA	2008-04	Reserved
3FFE::/16	IANA	2008-04	Reserved
2C00:0000::/12	AFRINIC	2006-10	Allocated
2A00:0000::/12	RIPE NCC	2006-10	Allocated
2800:0000::/12	LACNIC	2006-10	Allocated
2600:0000::/12	ARIN	2006-10	Allocated
2400:0000::/12	APNIC	2006-10	Allocated
2620:0000::/23	ARIN	2006-09	Allocated
2001:B000::/20	APNIC	2006-03	Allocated

Allocate and Communicate (2)

Communicate allocation to the RIR

Communicate allocation to the operations community



Formula + Schedule (IPv4)

Allocate twice per year

Allocations happen on a pre defined schedule



Use formula posted online

ICANN publishes the formula used to make selection as open source available for anyone to inspect.

[github.com/icann/ipv4 recovery algorithm](https://github.com/icann/ipv4_recovery_algorithm)

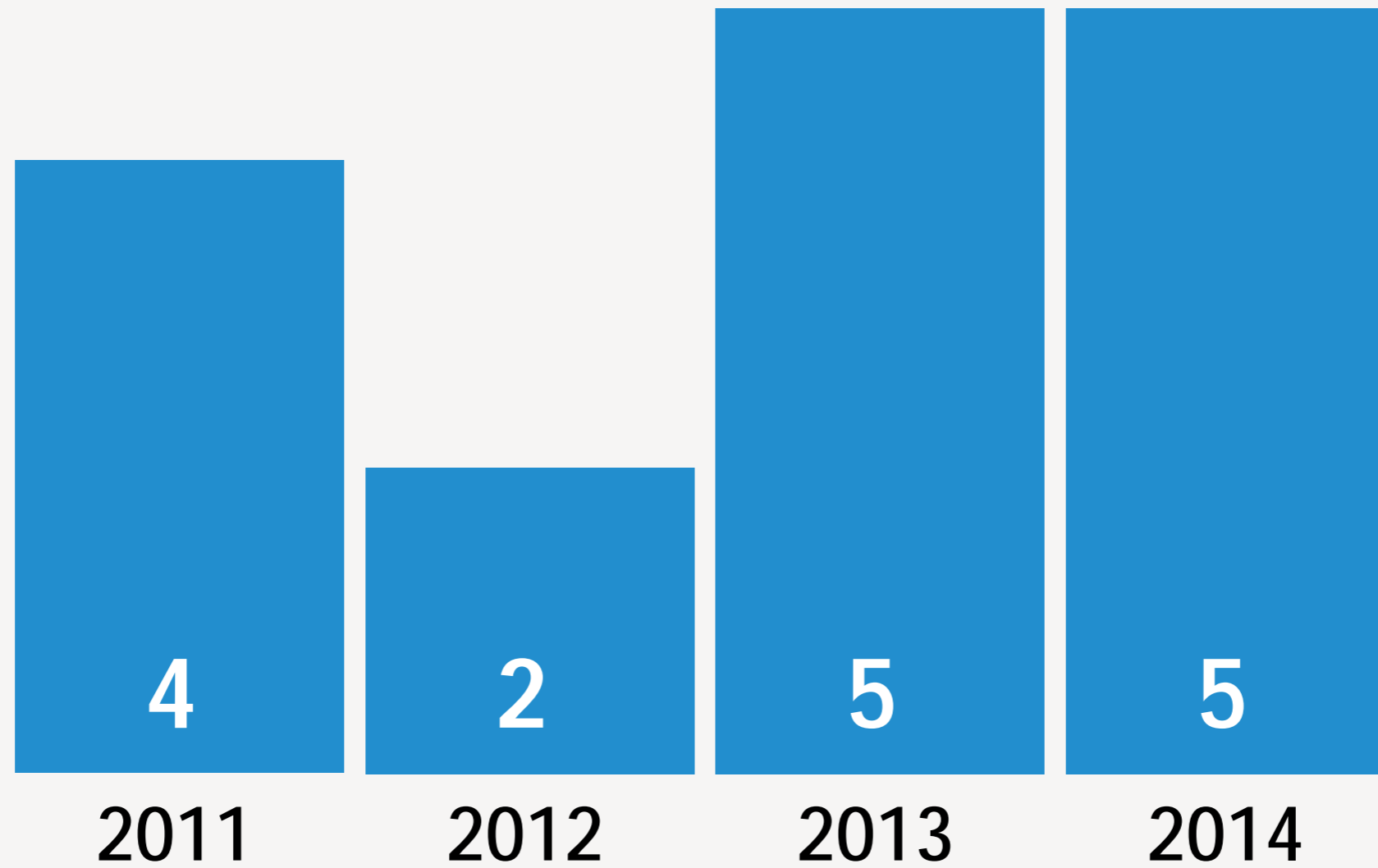
Communicate results

After the formula is applied per the schedule, the results are communicated to the RIRs and operations community, and the IANA registry is updated.

[iana.org/assignments/ipv4 recovered address space](https://iana.org/assignments/ipv4_recovered_address_space)

```
def find_best_match(self, amount, allocatee):  
  
    candidates = {}  
    for block in self.recovered.entries:  
        score = float(math.log(len(block), 2))/32  
        if block.preference == allocatee:  
            score += 0.8  
        if len(block) == amount:  
            score += 0.2  
        candidates[block] = score  
    for block in reversed(sorted(candidates.iteritems(), key=operator  
size = block[0].end - block[0].start + 1  
if size > amount:  
    return (block[0].start, IPv4Address(block[0].start + amount  
else:  
    return (block[0].start, block[0].end)
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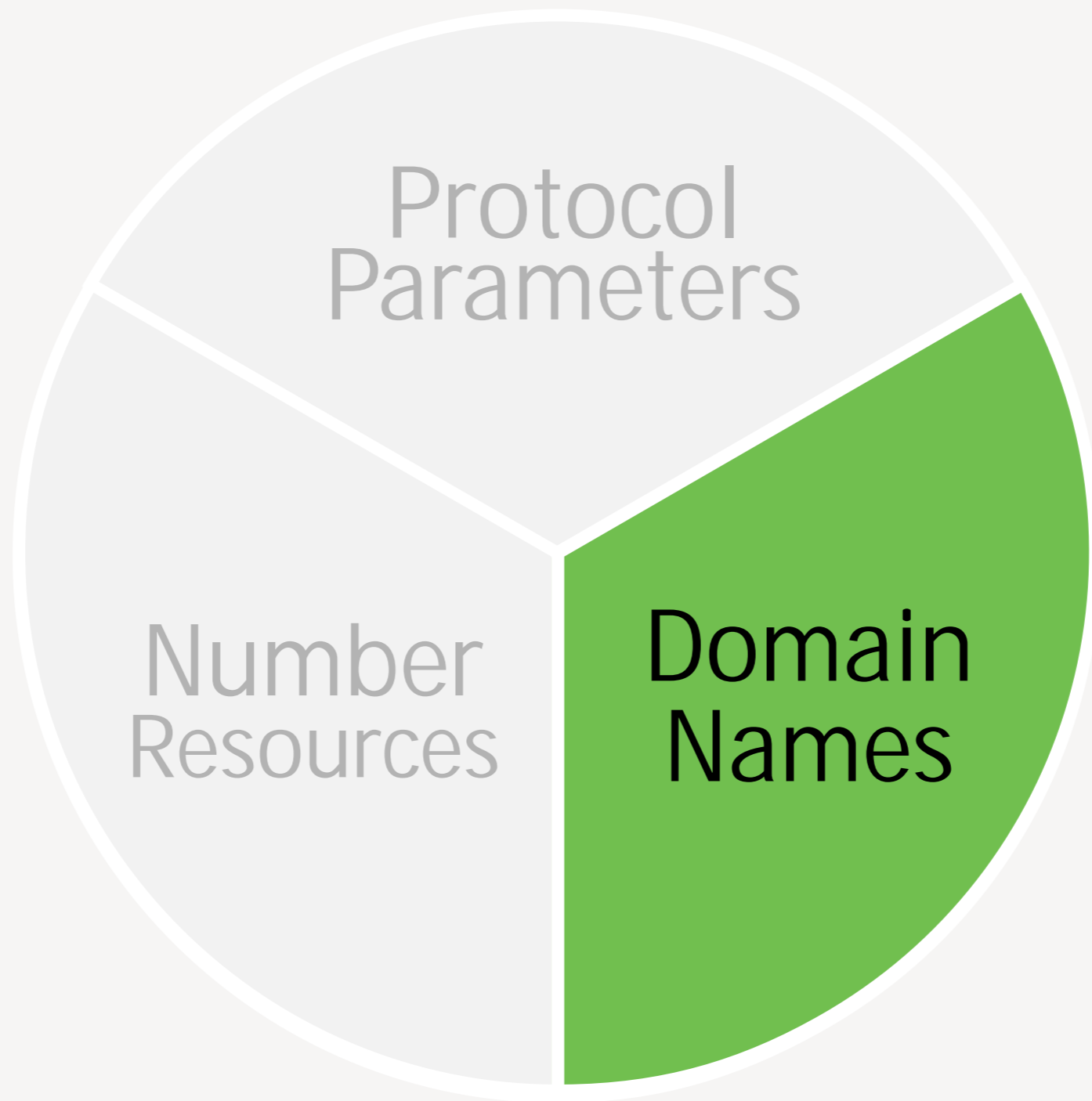
Allocations per year



Performance Targets

- Formal performance standards consultation in 2012
- Have met or exceeded all targets since public reporting began in 2013

Key Performance Indicators			
Metric	Target	Actual	Target Met
Accuracy (1) — Policy is correctly implemented.	100%	100%	✓
Accuracy (2) — Registry is updated before notifying requestor of allocation.	100%	100%	✓
Timeliness and Process Quality (1) — For a specific request, ICANN does not need to seek more than two iterations of clarification from the requesting Regional Internet Registry in order to correctly apply the registration policy.	100%	100%	✓
Timeliness and Process Quality (2) — Requests are to be completed within 7 days.	100%	100%	✓
Transparency (1) — Public announcement of an allocation is made on the same day as the allocation being recorded in the IANA registry.	100%	100%	✓
Transparency (2) — An implementation schedule for a new global policies under C.2.9.3 will be posted following ratifications within 14 days for simple policies, and 30 days for complex policies.	100%	100%	✓



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Unique Identifiers

Domain Name System

Domain Name Space

Domain Resource Record Types

DNS Security Algorithm Types

DNS Header Flags

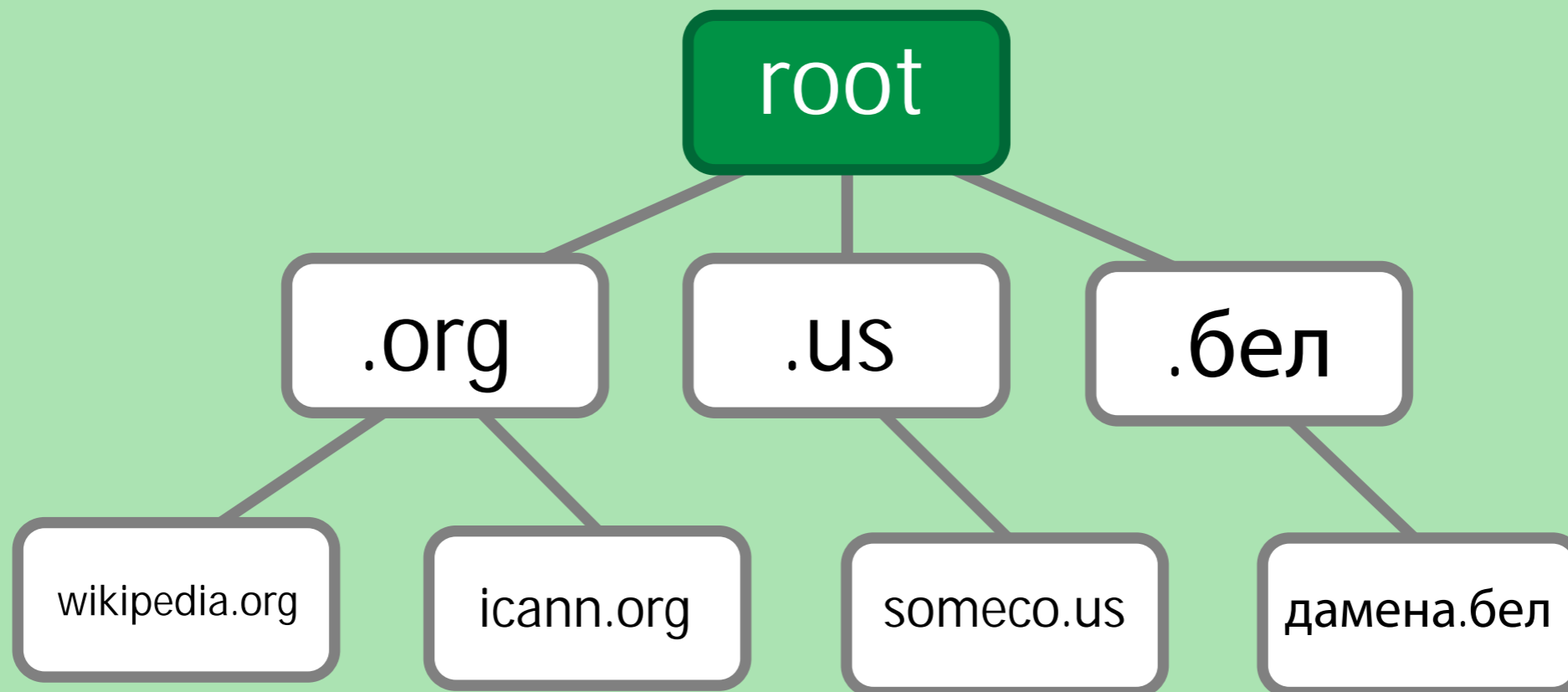
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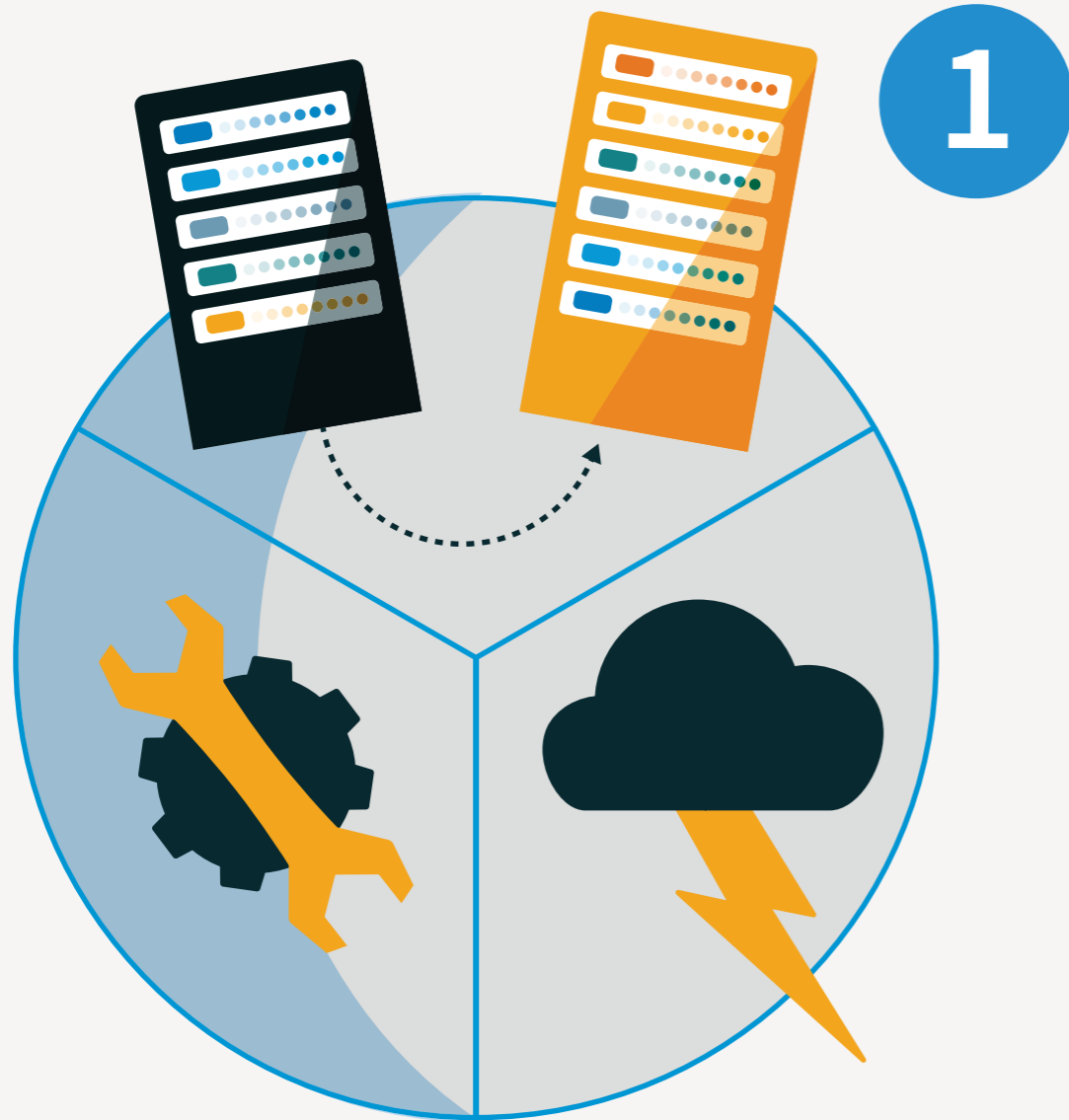
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Unique Identifiers

Domain Name System

Domain Name Space





1 Event Triggers Request

An event such as a change in TLD operator, routine maintenance (technical or staffing change) or a natural disaster triggers the need for a change request.

REGISTRY ENTRY FOR A TOP LEVEL DOMAIN

Operator

Recognized Company or Organization

Formal Legal Name, Physical Address

Contacts

Administrative Contact

Name, Job Title,
Company, Address,
Phone, Fax, Email

Technical Contact

Name, Job Title,
Company, Address,
Phone, Fax, Email

Technical configuration

Data that goes in the root zone

Authoritative name servers
IP addresses of name servers
DNSSEC (DS) records

Metadata

Courtesy information not tied to operations

URL to Operator's website, location of WHOIS service, domain converted to A label, language etc.

REGISTRY ENTRY FOR .HAMBURG

Operator

Hamburg Top Level Domain GmbH

Gertigstrasse 28, Hamburg, 22303

Germany

Contacts

Oliver Joachim Sueme

Hamburg Top Level Domain GmbH

Gertigstrasse 28, Hamburg, 22303

Germany

Email: os@dothamburg.de

Voice: +49 40 27806736

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Martin Schlicksbier

TLD BOX Registrydienstleistungen

Jakob Haringer Strasse 8

5020 Salzburg

Austria

Email: iana@tld box.at

Voice: +43 662 2345 48730

Technical configuration

NS a.dns.nic.hamburg (194.0.25.21 2001:678:20:0:0:0:0:21)

NS b.dns.nic.hamburg (193.170.61.10 2001:62a:a:2000:0:0:0:10)

NS c.dns.nic.hamburg (193.170.187.10 2001:62a:a:3000:0:0:0:10)

DS 53866 8 2 AF2F53F6B523F31C04A741B3826D27CBAE16F4BA6F...

DS 26479 8 1 1C9F5D68C413E8A9A2C8E1C1637B8A4DA2CA6827

DS 26479 8 2 4A48334EF87D7FC156E886E5A2B2682FCF0679ED6FC...

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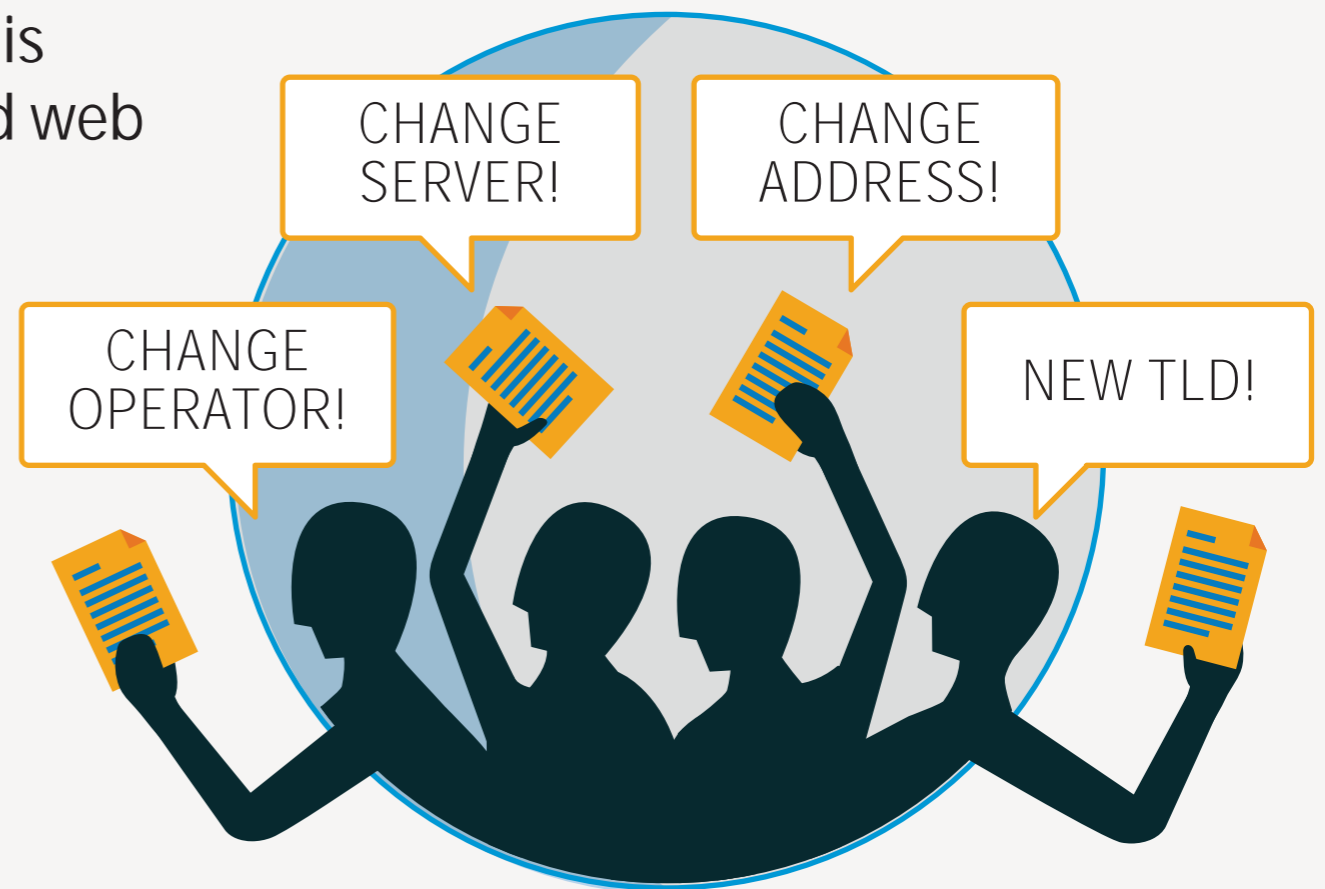
<http://www.dothamburg.de>

whois.nic.hamburg

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Change Request

A TLD operator submits a change request to IANA Department within ICANN. This is typically done through an automated web service ICANN provides called the Root Zone Management System (RZMS).



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Policy Check

ICANN checks that the change request meets policy and technical requirements and confirms consent from the appropriate parties. If issues are found, ICANN clarifies with the TLD operator. Then, ICANN forwards the request to NTIA for authorization to proceed.



Technical

- ✓ Name Servers are responding
- ✓ Name Servers return correct data that matches the request
- ✓ DNS data can be verified using the supplied DNSSEC DS records
- ✓ Supplied email addresses work

Consent

- ✓ Existing contacts agree to change
- ✓ New contacts agree to their new responsibilities
- ✓ Other impacted TLDs agree

Regulatory

- ✓ Request meets legal requirements

Well formedness

- ✓ Supplied data is clear, well formed and consistent

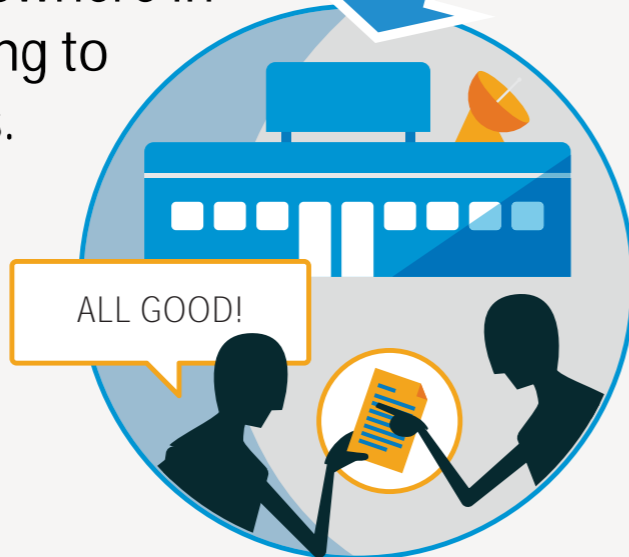
Transfer of responsibility

- ✓ Meets policy requirements for transfers (differs between ccTLDs and gTLDs)



gTLDs

Change request reflects outcome of an evaluation and contracting process conducted elsewhere in ICANN according to **GNSO policies**.



ccTLDs

Change request reflects outcome of a consensus building process that happened **within the country**.





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Verification

Changes that satisfy the policy requirements are transmitted to NTIA for verification. NTIA reviews the change and then gives authorization to proceed with publishing the change.

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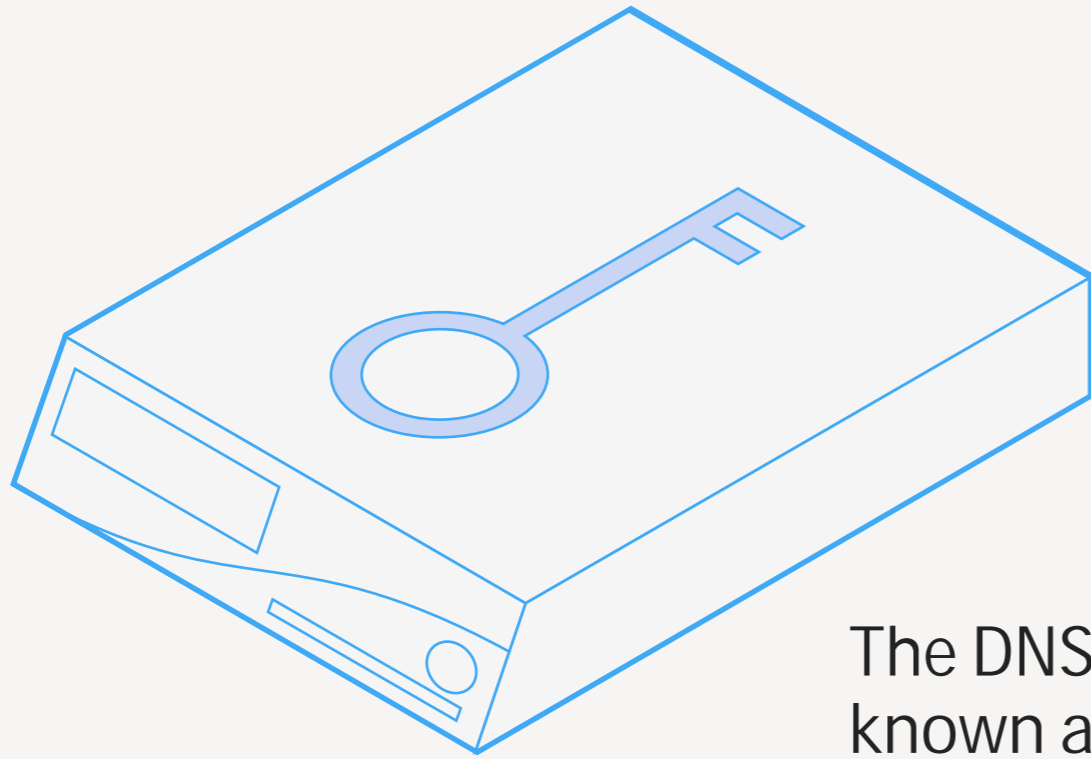
Implement changes

After authorization to proceed, any technical changes to the root zone are implemented. This includes applying a tamper evident seal using DNSSEC, and distributing the updated root zone file to root server operators. The Root Zone Database is updated with the changes.

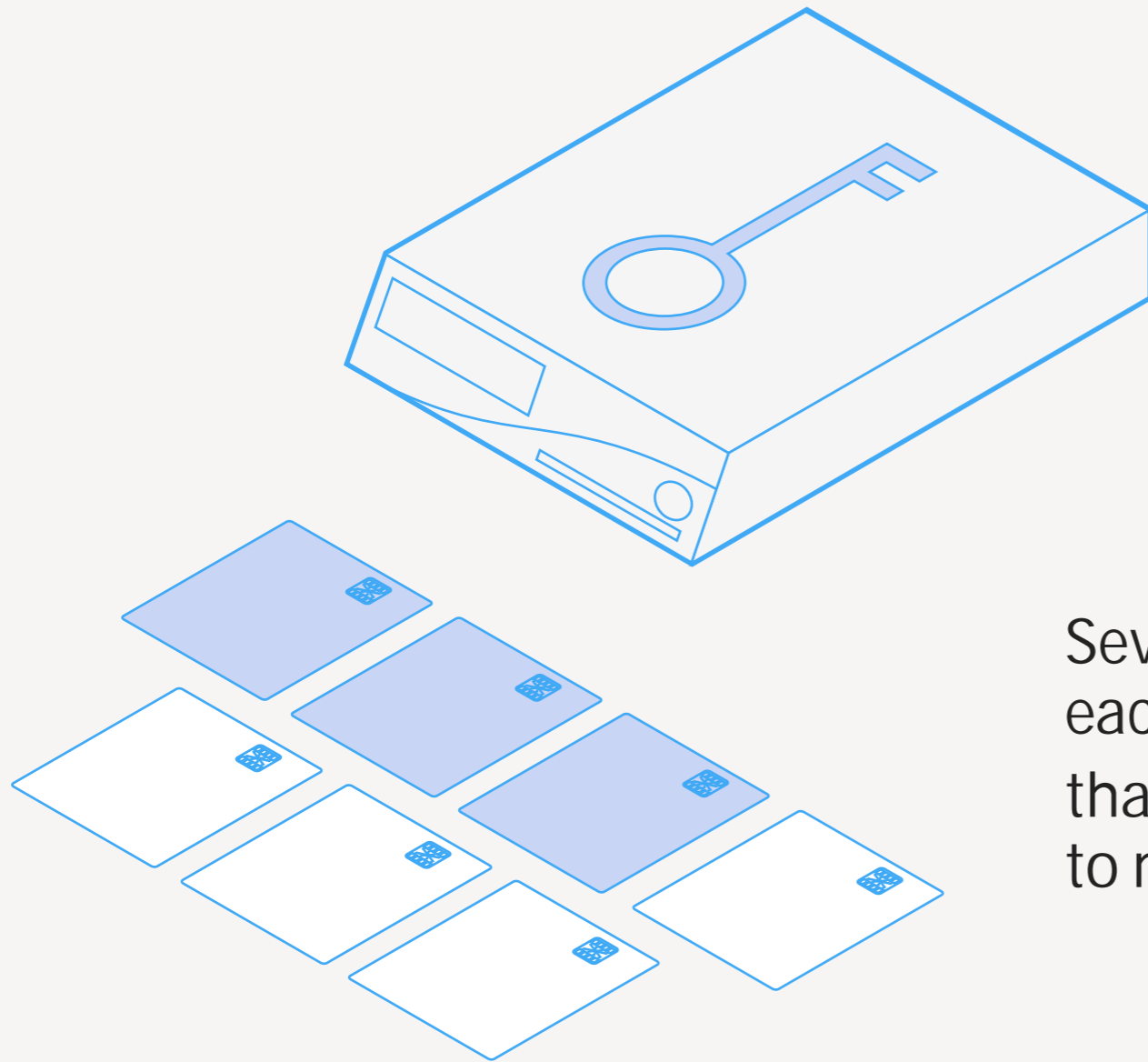


The Root Key Signing Key

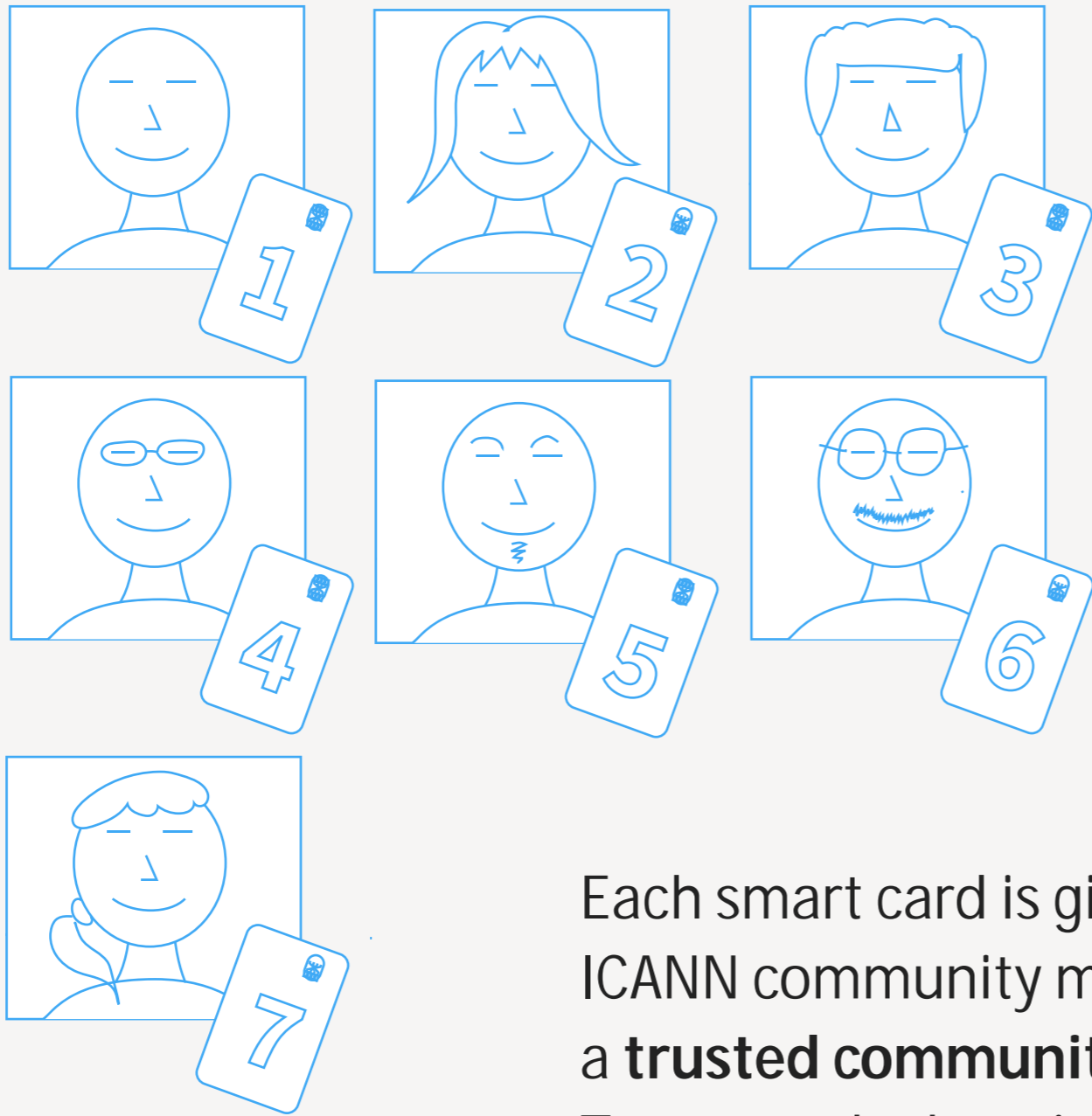
- As part of its root zone related functions, the IANA Department manages the **key signing key**, used to secure the DNS with the DNSSEC protocol.
- An auditable process of performing **key signing ceremonies** to use this key is conducted using members of the community as key participants.



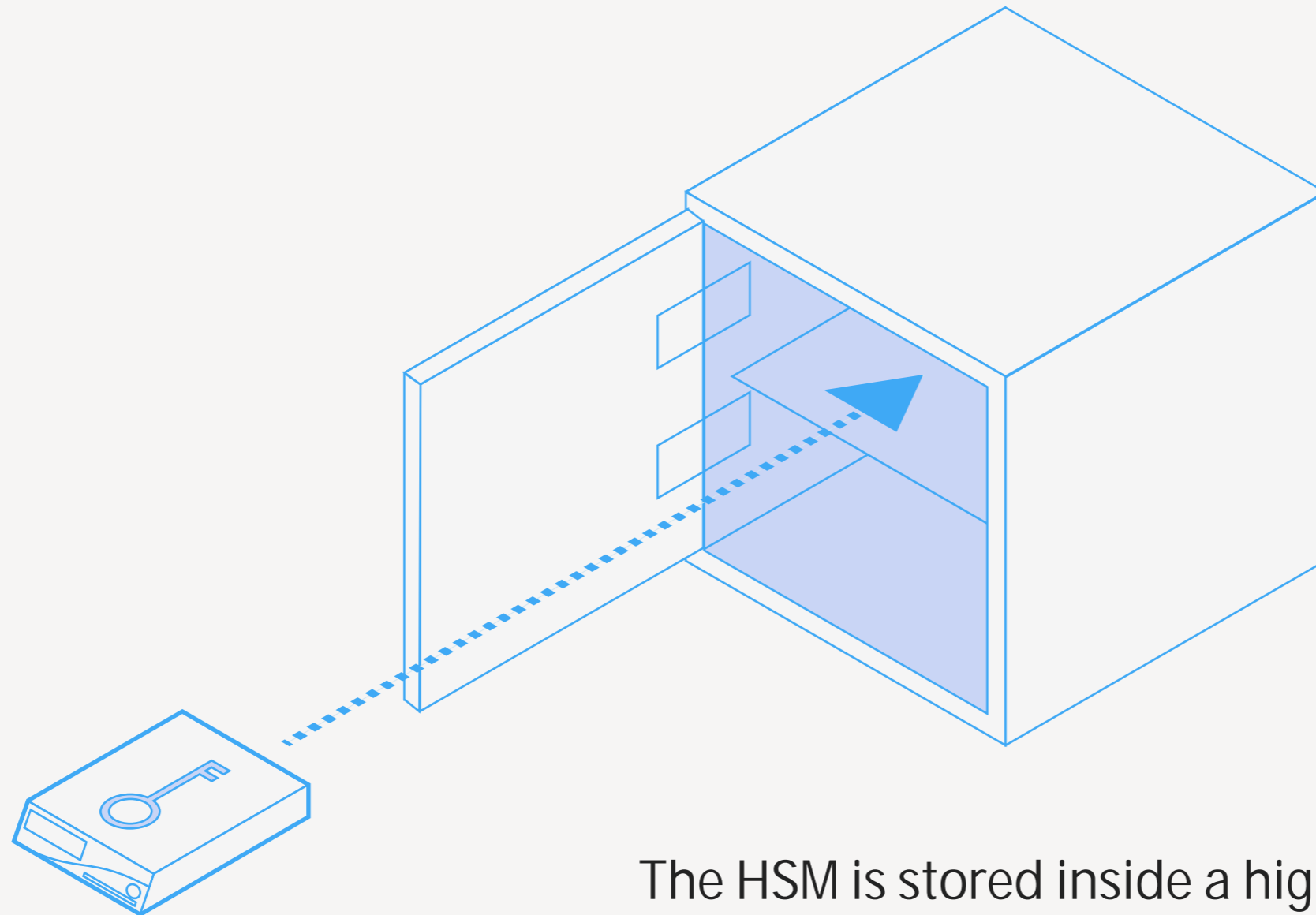
The DNSSEC root key is stored in a device known as a **hardware security module** (HSM) whose sole purpose is to securely store cryptographic keys. The device is designed to be tamper proof. If there is an attempt to open it, the contents will self destruct.



Seven smart cards exist that can turn on each device. The device is configured such that **3 of the 7** smart cards must be present to make it useable.

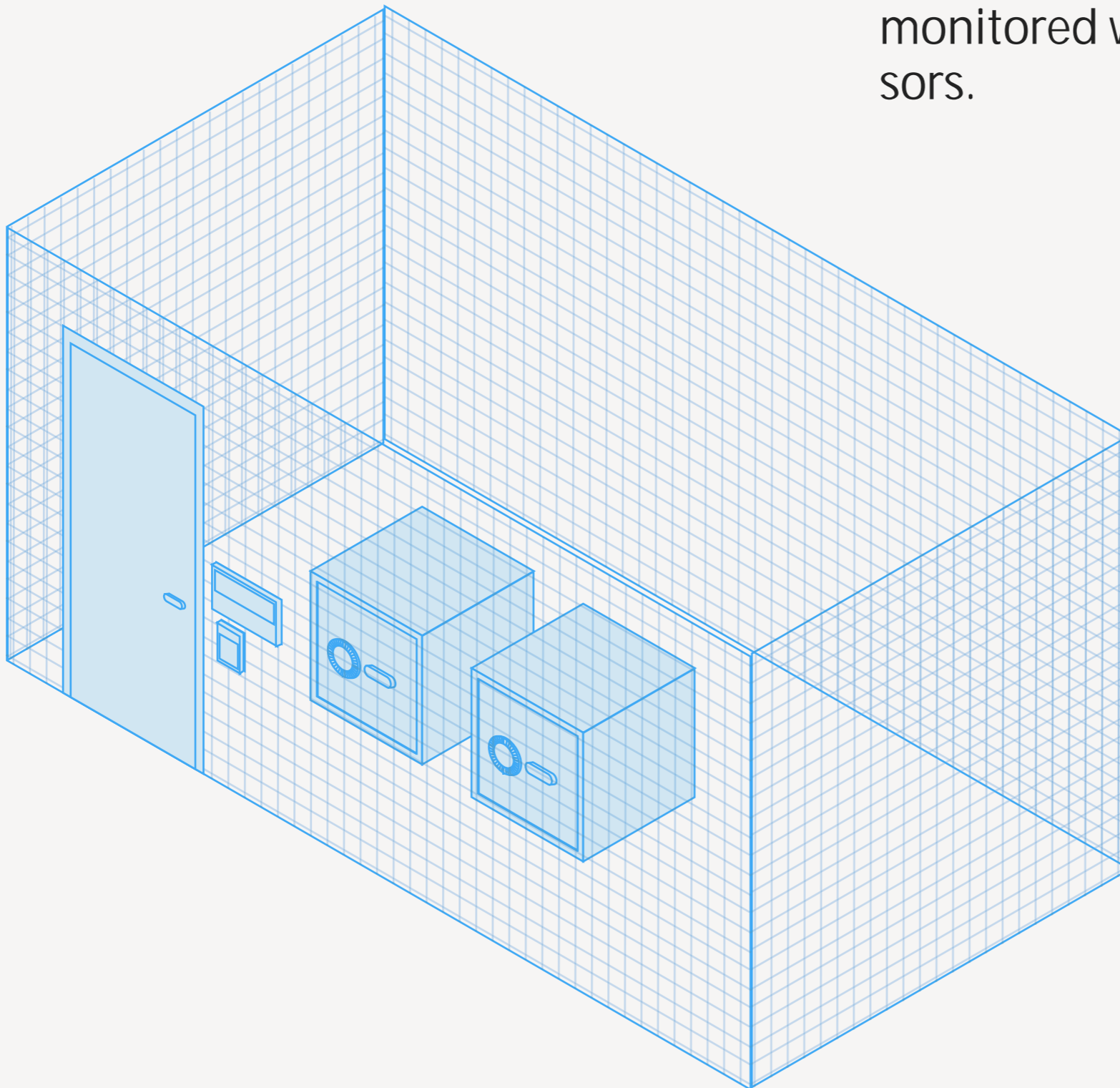


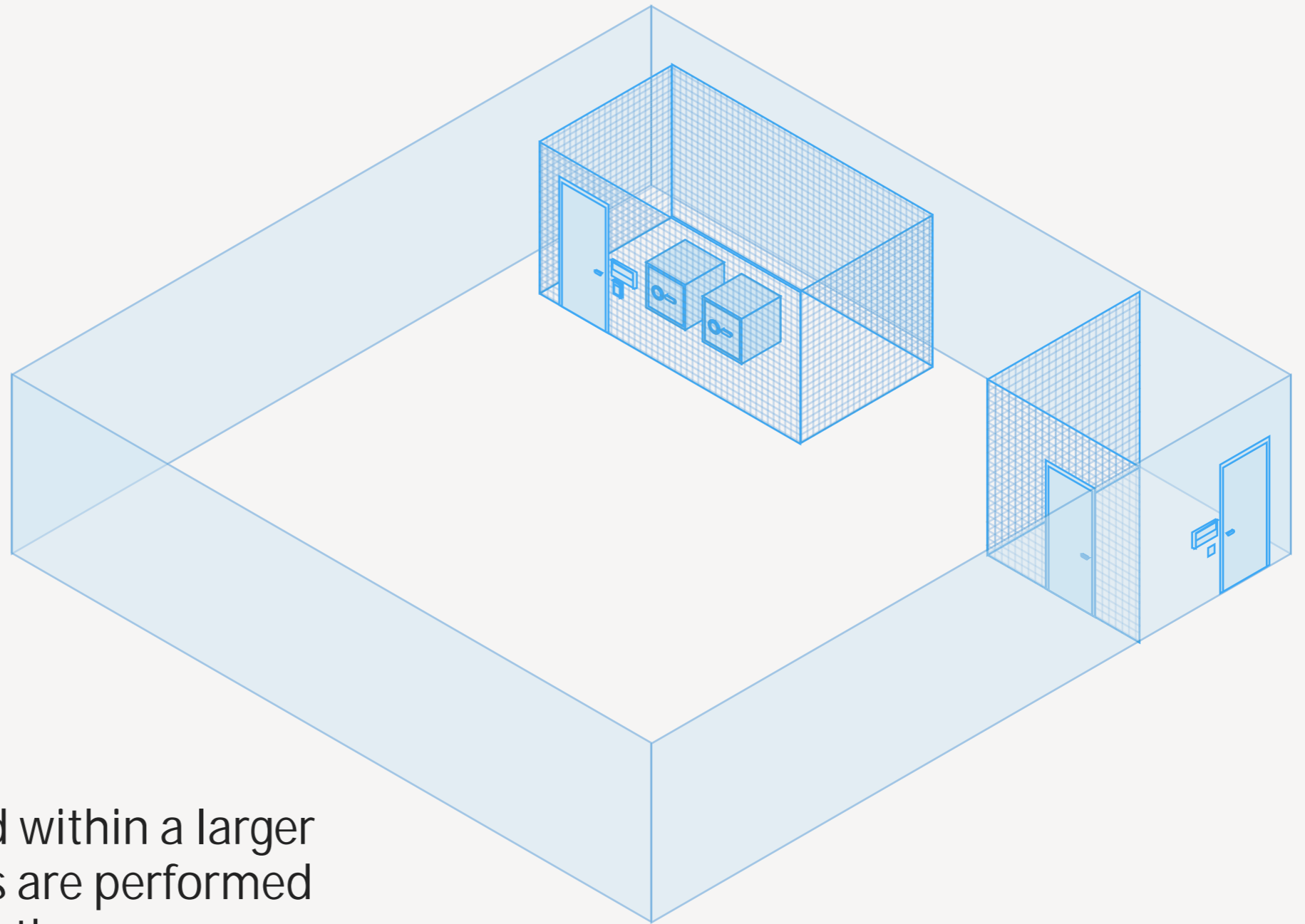
Each smart card is given to a different ICANN community member, known as a **trusted community representative**. To access the key signing key, therefore, at least three of these TCRs need to be present.



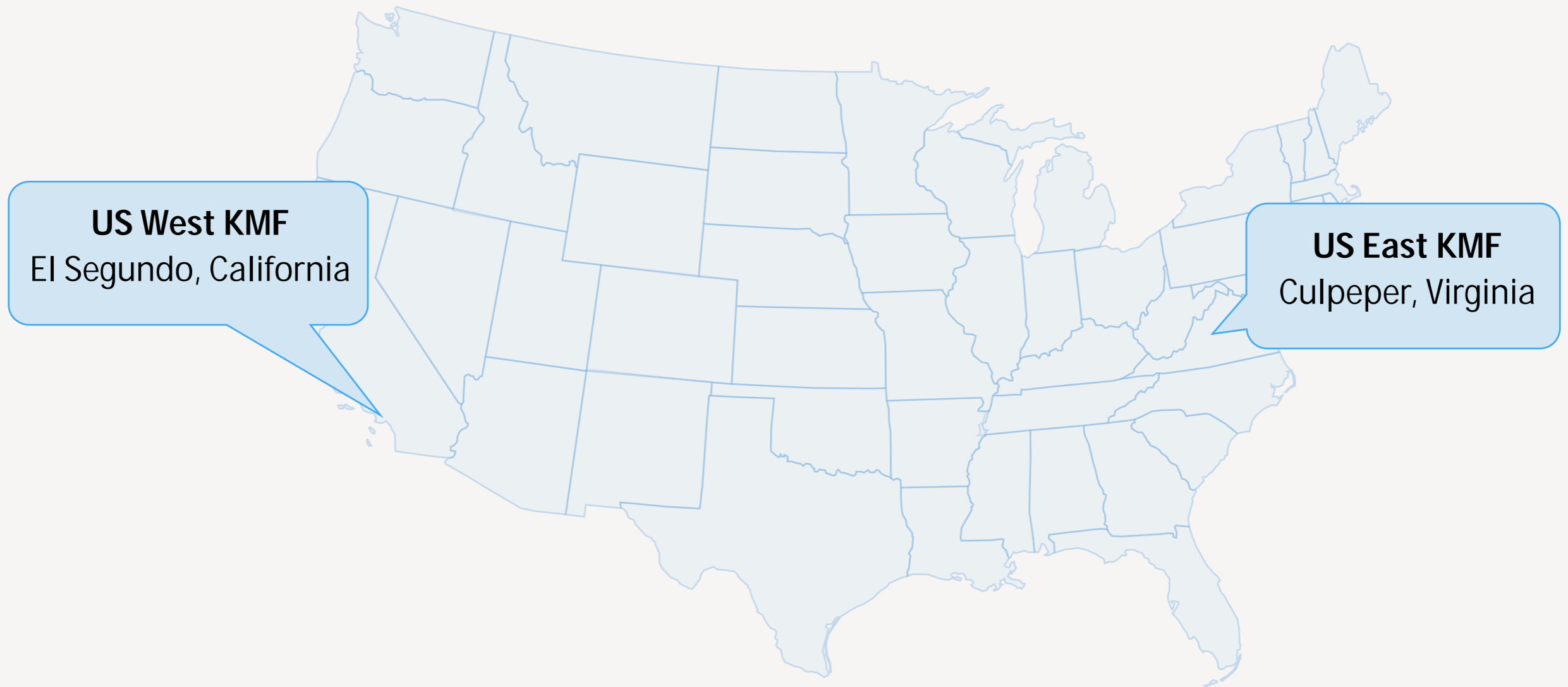
The HSM is stored inside a high security safe, which can only be opened by a designated person, the **safe security controller**. The safe is monitored with seismic and other sensors.

The safes are stored in a secure room which can only be opened jointly by two designated persons, the **ceremony administrator** and the **internal witness**. The room is monitored with intrusion and motion sensors.





The safe room is located within a larger room where ceremonies are performed involving the TCRs and other persons. Ceremonies are recorded on video, witnessed by the participants and others, and audited by a third party audit firm. Access to the room needs to be granted by another designated person, the **physical access control manager**, who is not on site.



The ceremony rooms, known as **key management facilities**, are located within two guarded facilities, one each on the US West and East coasts.

The ceremonies

- Approximately four times a year, the TCRs and others meet to use the HSMs to sign keys to be used for the root zone.
- The process is streamed and recorded, with external witnesses watching every step. All materials (videos, code, scripts, etc.) are posted online at iana.org/dnssec
- The purpose is to ensure **trust in the process**. DNSSEC only provides security if the community is confident the HSMs have not been compromised.



Watch short documentaries:

The Guardian

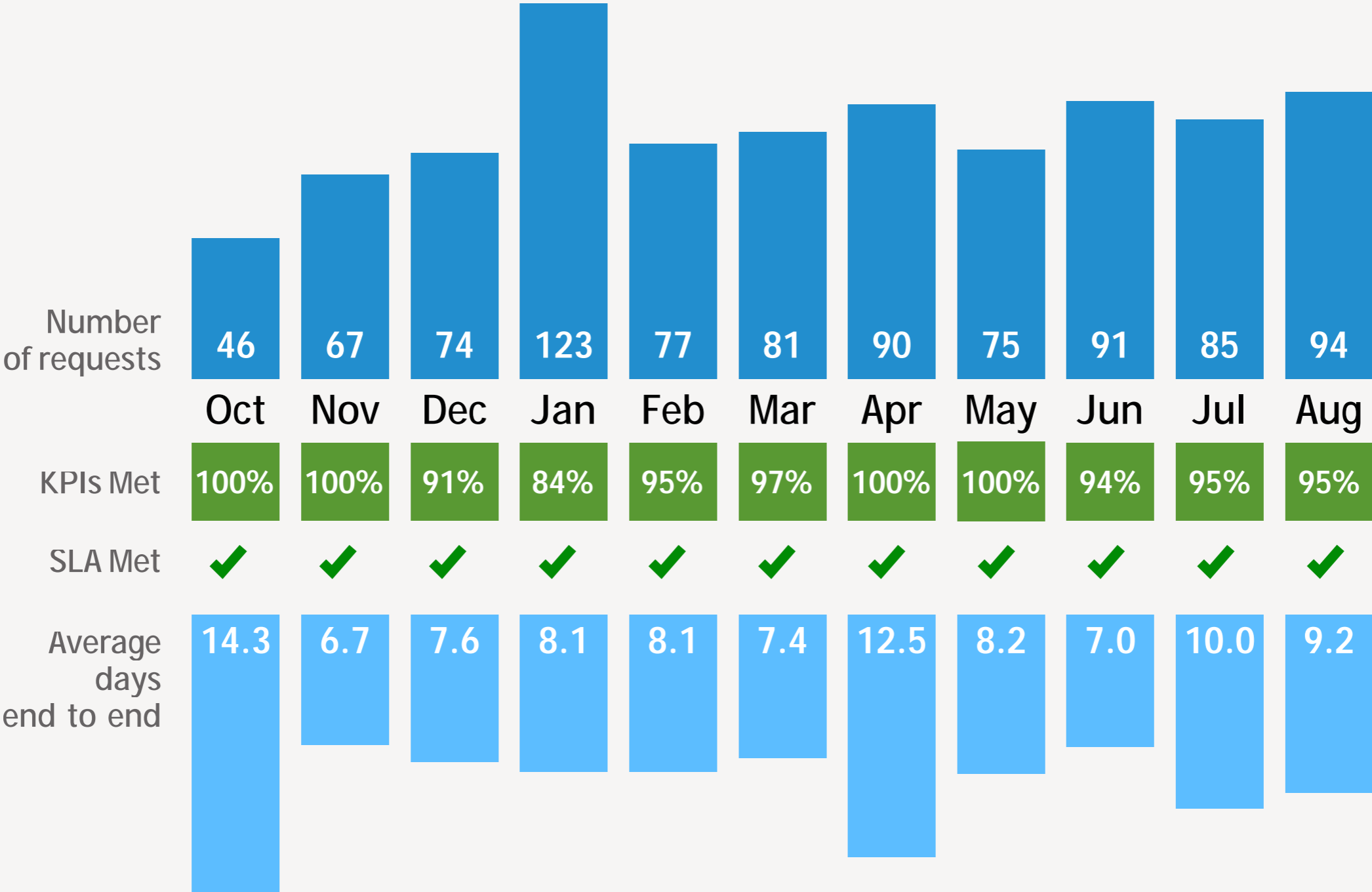
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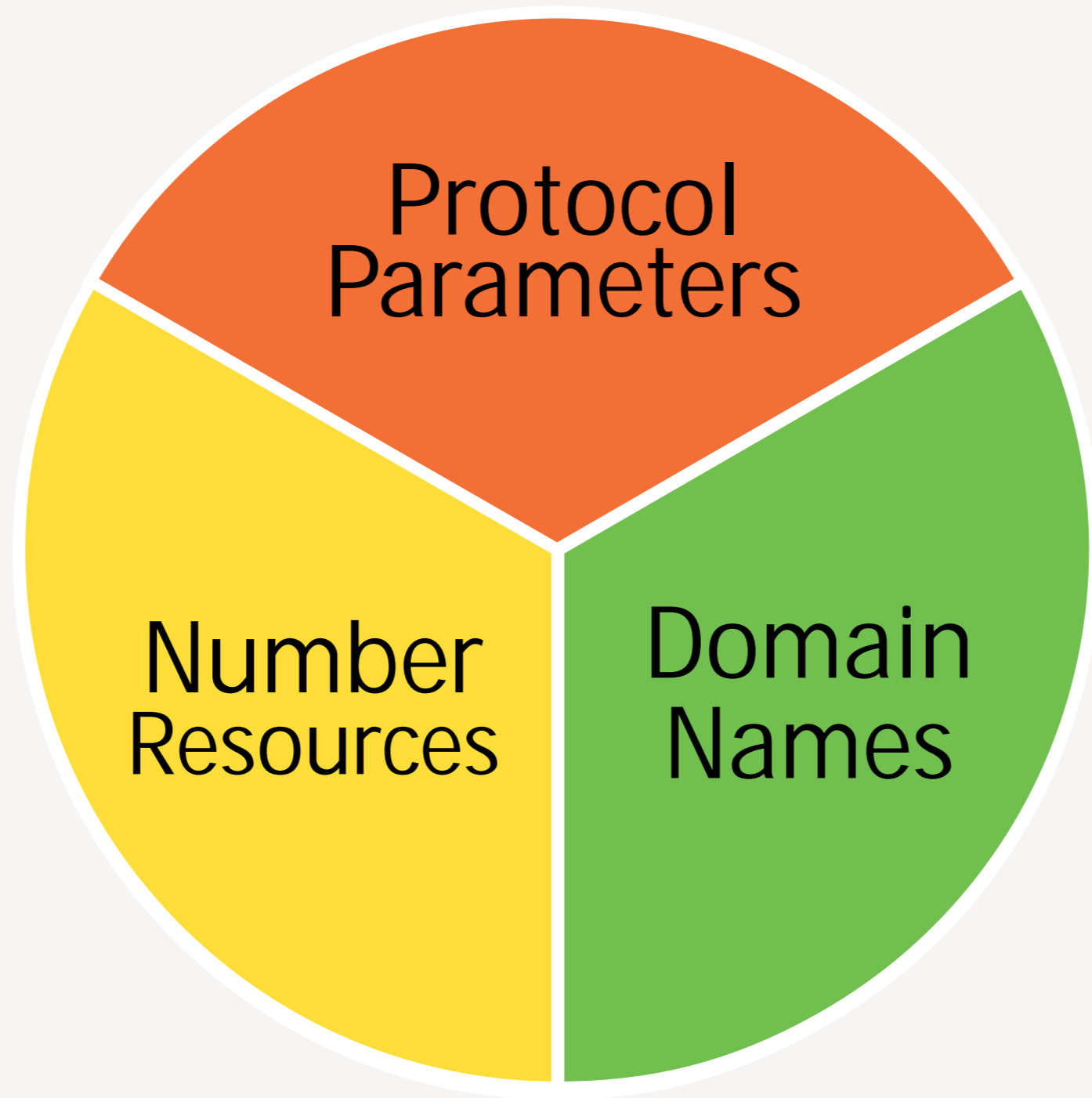


Performance



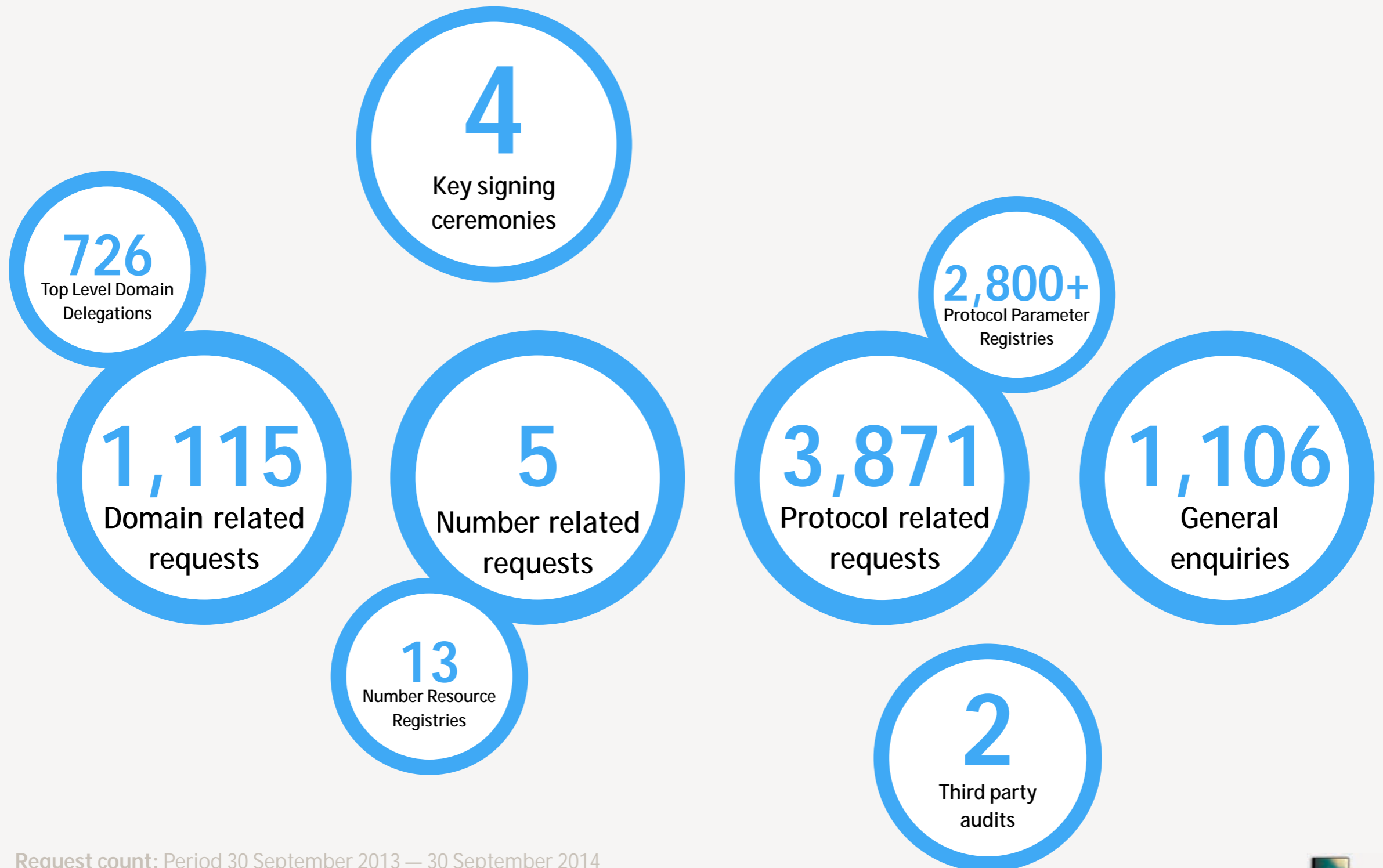
Comprehensive service level performance reporting at iana.org/performance





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How big is the job?



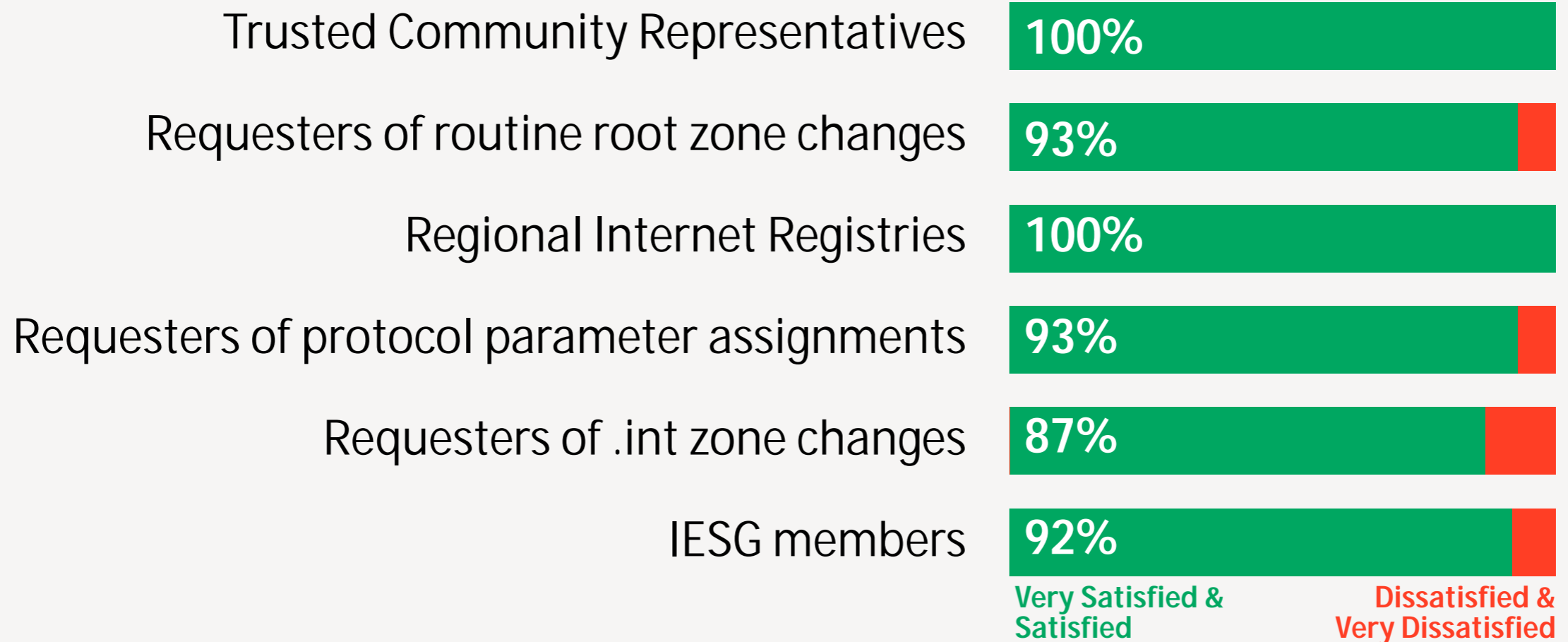
Request count: Period 30 September 2013 — 30 September 2014

TLD count: As at 7 October 2014

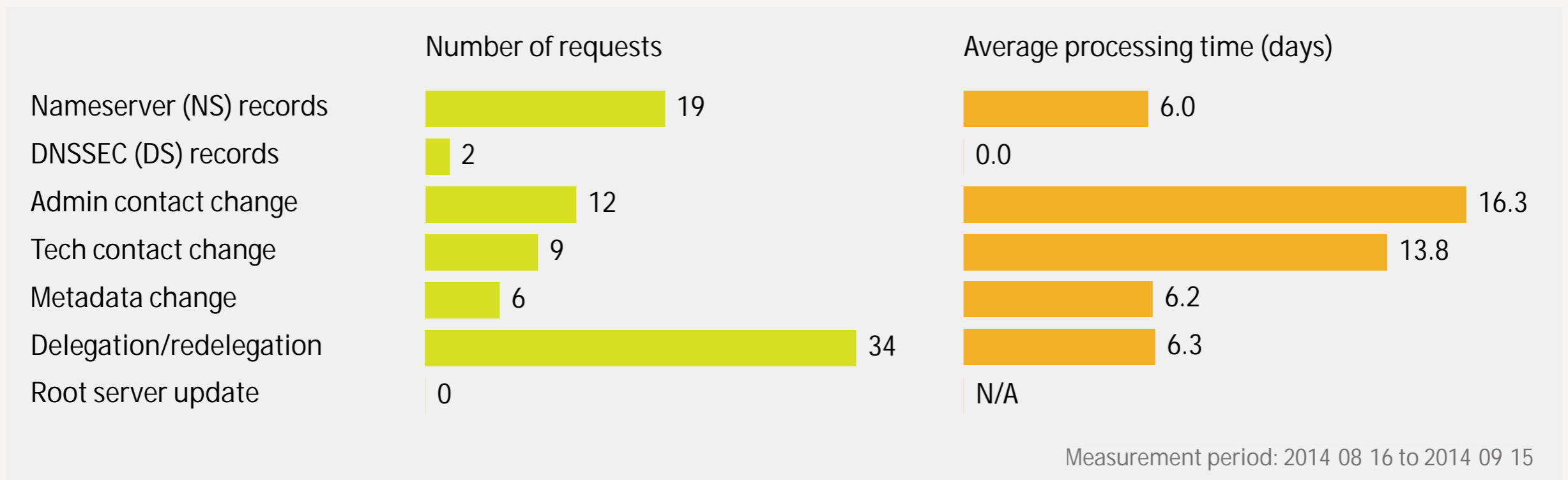
Domain related requests include processing .int, .arpa and other non-root related requests



Satisfaction by customer group



Root Processing Times



The IANA Department does

- ✓ Create registries based on policies from the community
- ✓ Maintain existing registries
- ✓ Allocate number resources
- ✓ Publish all registries for general public use

The IANA Department doesn't

- ✗ Create nor interpret policy
- ✗ Determine what can be a domain name
- ✗ Choose TLD managers

Summary

- IANA Department maintains the registries of unique numbering systems that keep the Internet interoperating.
- Most IANA registries are straightforward, and are not generally known to the end-user.
- High profile, hierarchically-delegated registries are used for the Domain Name System and Number Resources. IANA Dept. maintains the global “root” for these.

Thank you!

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