

RIPE NCC and the GDPR

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Some Background

Directive 95/46



- The RIPE NCC is covered by the EU Data Protection Directive
- In 2006, the RIPE community established the Data Protection Task Force (DPTF)
- Data Protection Report

https://www.ripe.net/about-us/legal/ripe-ncc-data-protection-report

General Data Protection Regulation



- Regulates how and under what conditions personal data may be processed
- Rights of individuals
- Responsibilities and obligations of the responsible parties
- Becomes applicable on 25 May 2018



GDPR

Our Implementation Approach

Our Goals



- Identify and classify the data the RIPE NCC has in its repository and that it processes
- Ensure ongoing compliance with GDPR and other related legal frameworks
- Implement an efficient Privacy Risk Management framework

First Steps



- March 2017 established an internal project
- Cross-functional project team
- Support by every department



Work So Far

Reviewed RIPE NCC Services



- Identified processes and services where personal data is involved
- Classified the various data sets according to their criticality and sensitivity
- Reviewed obligations, documentation and new legislation elements
- Implemented changes and made amendments

Reviewed Third-Party Contracts



- Signed data processing agreement
 - Performance management software, emergency hotline outside working hours tool, etc.
- Updated internal procedures
 - Company laptop policy, recruitment process

Engagement and Awareness



- Engaged with industry partners
- Kept the RIPE community and colleagues in the loop
- Published RIPE Labs articles

More to follow!



Reviewed Services

RIPE Database



- Current state of play reviewed and approved by the Data Protection Task Force (2006-2010)
- Re-evaluated in line with GDPR
- Identified issues
- Discussing how to implement the necessary changes

Contact and Application Forms



- Reviewed internal processes
 - What data is necessary?
 - For what reason?
 - Who has access?, etc.

- Resulted in updated privacy texts
 - Clear and transparent communication to the individual

Data Breach Notification Procedure



- Obligation to report to the authorities a personal data breach
- In the Netherlands, this obligation exists since 2016
- Reviewed our existing procedure in line with GDPR
- Reminded our colleagues

Data Protection Officer



Obligation under certain circumstances

Not required for the RIPE NCC



In Progress

Attendees' Personal Data



Registration process

Visa invitation letters are often required

- Attendee lists
 - For how long should they remain publicly available?

Mailing Lists



- Reviewing subscription and removal process
- Mailing list archives
 - Remain publicly available
 - Reason: Transparency and accountability of the Policy Development Process
 - Is there a difference between the RIPE NCC membership and RIPE community mailing lists?

Privacy Statement



- We already provide a good overview of how we process personal data
- Continue to give clear and transparent information
- Maintain the layered structure
 - Easy to navigate to the relevant section

RIPE Atlas



Review core service and related processes,
e.g. RIPE Atlas ambassadors

 RIPE Atlas pages and information provided to the users

Records of Processing Activities



- Non-public register of processing activities involving personal data
- Obligation under certain circumstances
- Yes for the RIPE NCC
- Benefit:
 - Respond efficiently to data subjects' requests
 - Demonstrate accountability to authorities



What's Next?

RIPE Registry Data



- Non-publicly available (personal) data
- Historical information important for the integrity of the Registry
 - Resolving possible future disputes over Internet number resource registration
 - Chain of custody

Other RIPE NCC Services, Tools



- More RIPE NCC services
 - e.g. Training Services, SSO accounts, websites operated by the RIPE NCC
- Third-party contracts for external tools and software
- Implement internal policies on data access and availability (not only personal datarelated)
- Establish an efficient Privacy Risk Management framework

Our Message on GDPR



- Legal obligation to continue monitoring and ensuring compliance
- Balance between our role as Regional Internet Registry, the interests of the RIPE community and legal framework

Compliance does not end on May 25th!

25 May 2018...



