

A QUICK INTRO TO RPKI

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A close-up photograph of a translucent krill against a dark, star-filled background. The krill's body is elongated and slightly curved, with a translucent blue-green color. It has a prominent, segmented body with a darker, reddish-brown patch near its head. Its long, thin appendages, including its antennae and legs, are clearly visible. The background is a deep navy blue with small white specks resembling stars.

KRILL

RPKI Certificate Authority

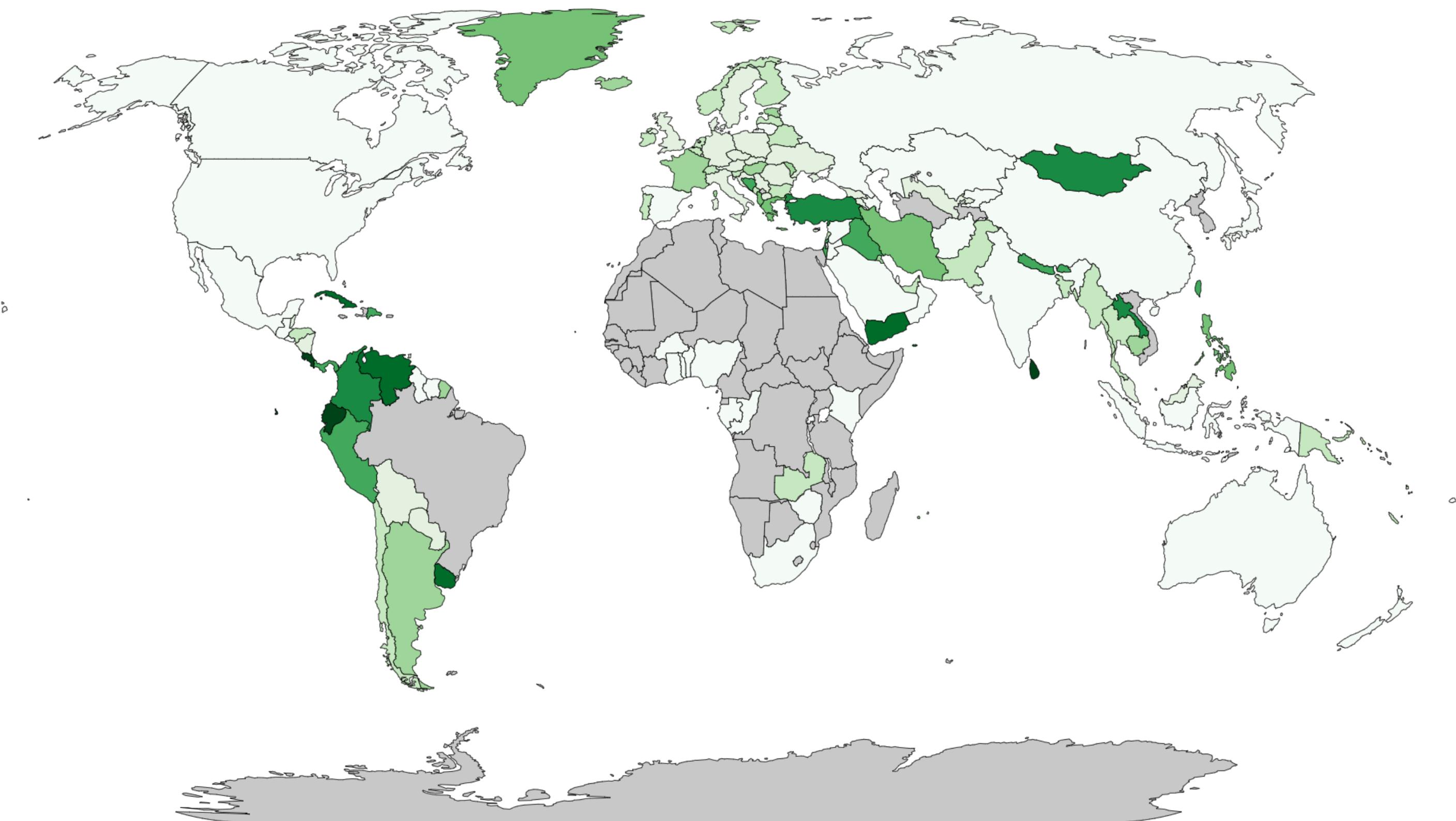
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IP or ASN scope

AS13335

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The fraction of announced IPv4 and IPv6 prefixes in BGP covered by RPKI ROAs.

Announcements

Valid

1155

Invalid ASN

0

Invalid Length

3

Not Found

28

Payloads

Verified ROA Payloads

805

Unseen

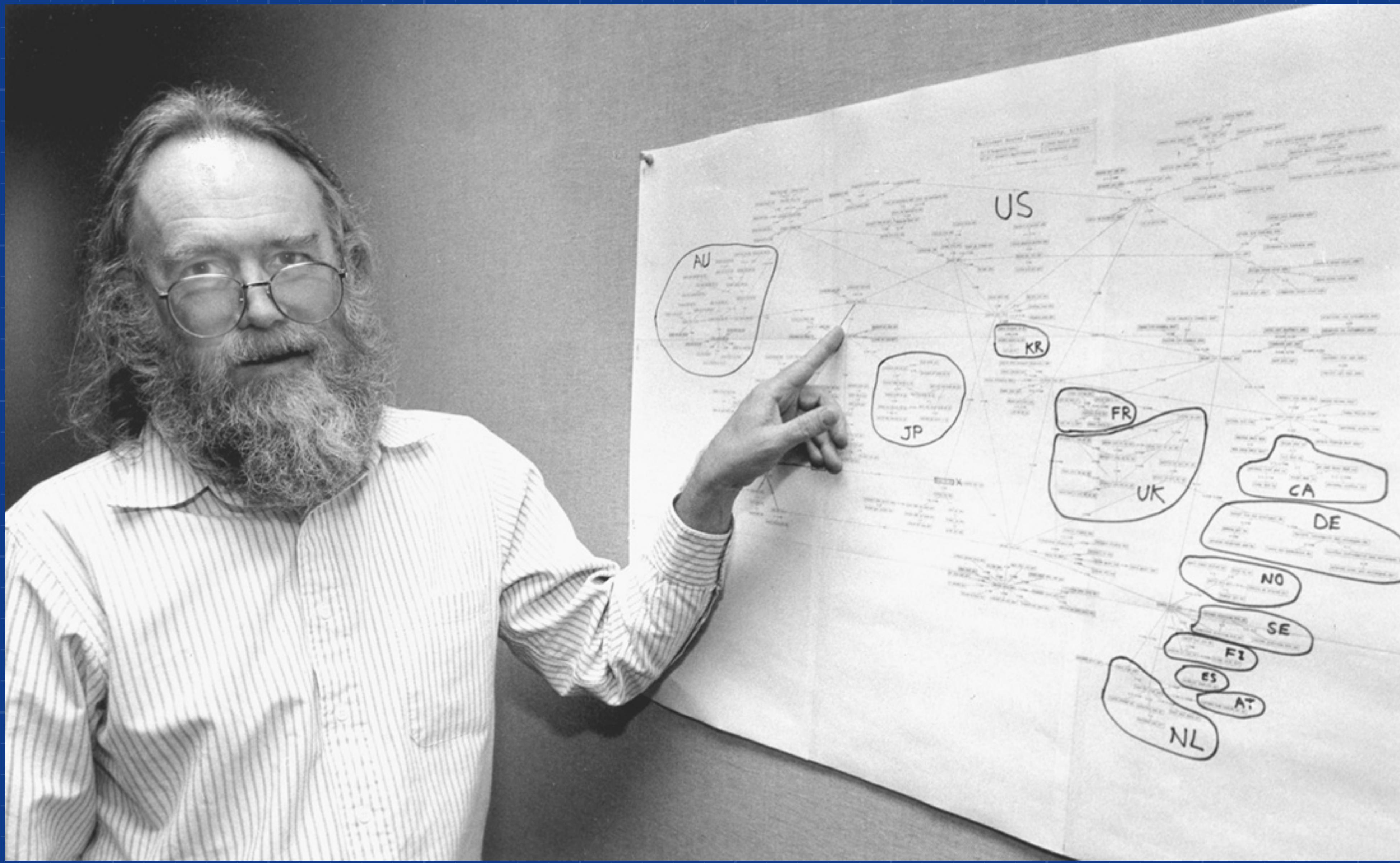
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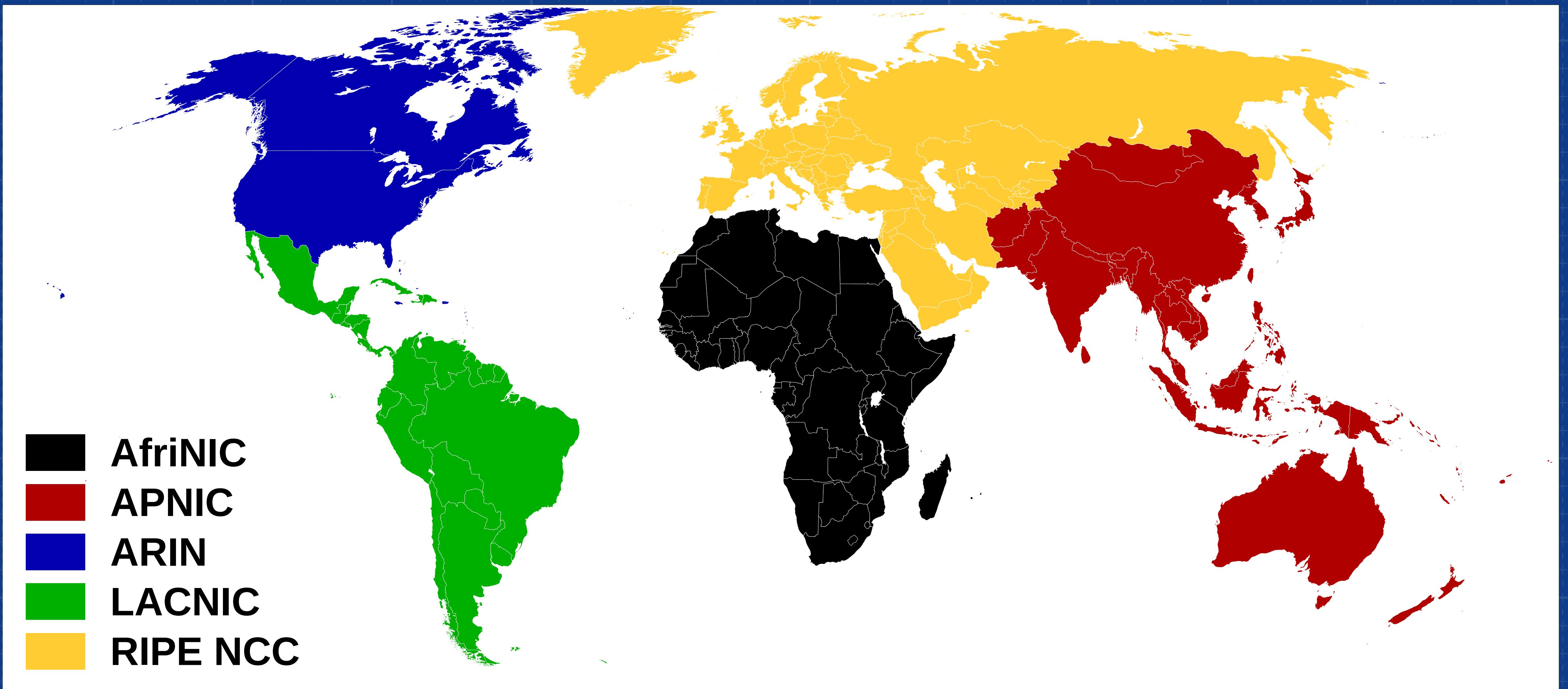
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RPKI

It's all about Resources.

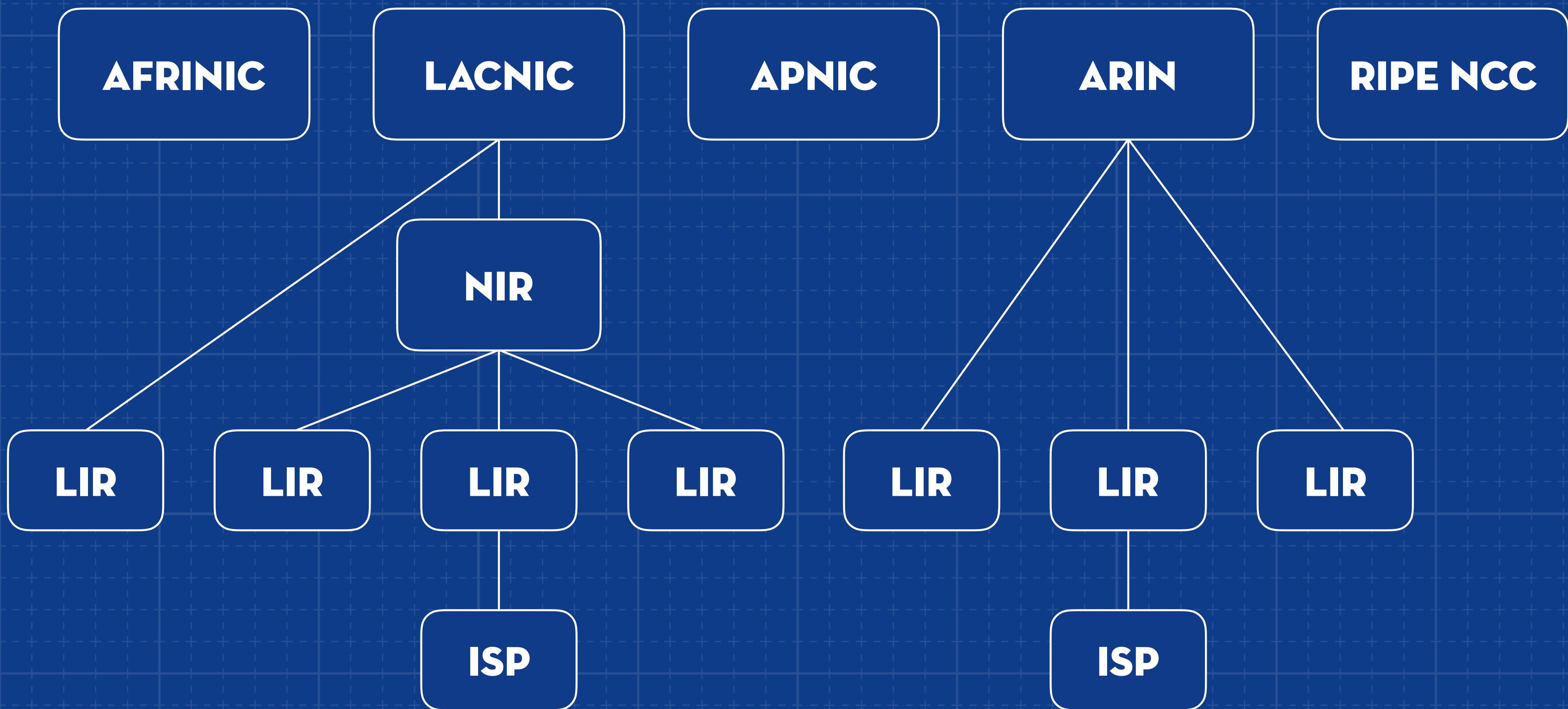
Internet Number Resources to be precise...





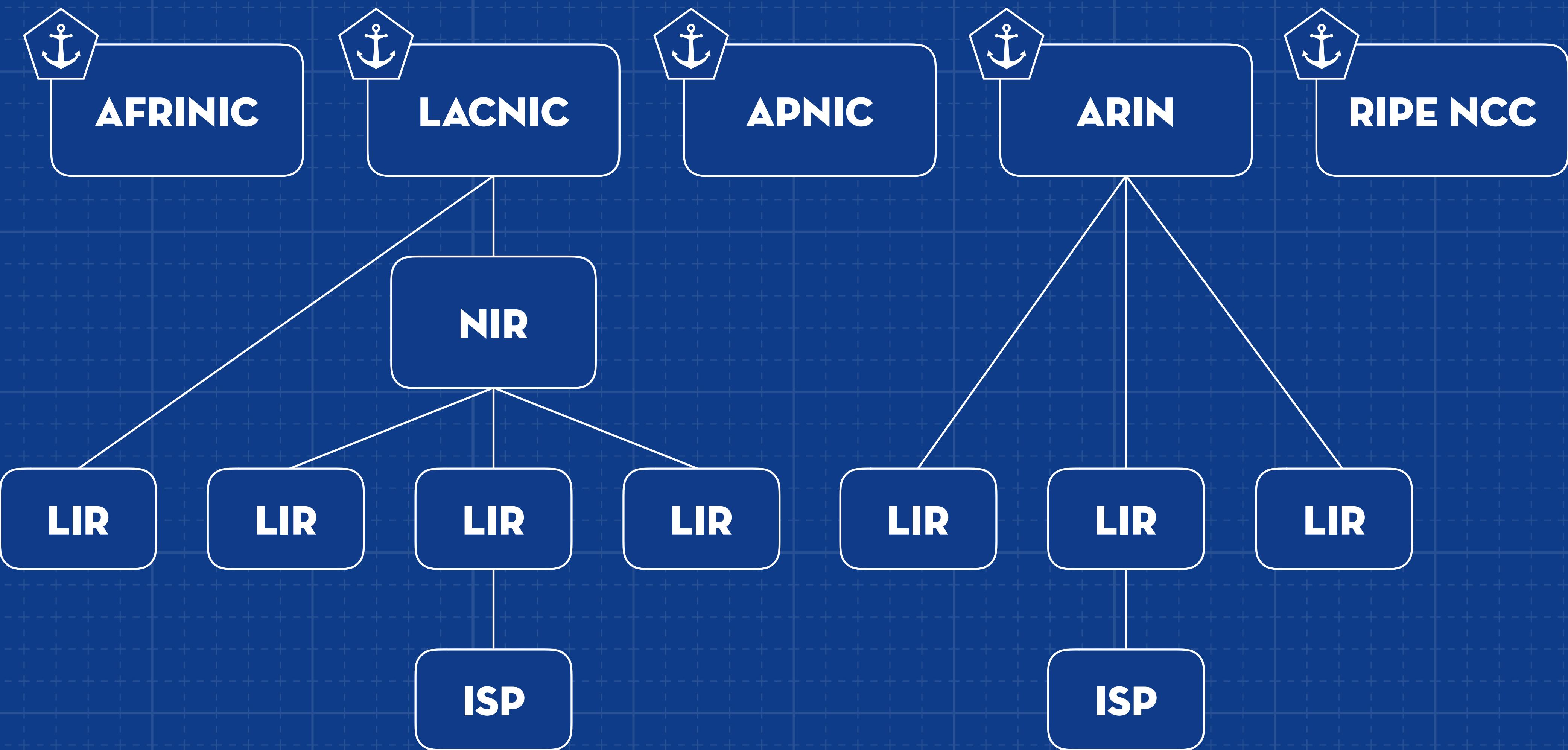
*The RPKI certificate structure follows the
Internet resource allocation hierarchy.*

GLOBAL RESOURCE ALLOCATION



PUBLISHING RPKI DATA

RPKI CERTIFICATE STRUCTURE



SEPARATE COMPONENTS

**CERTIFICATE
AUTHORITY**

creates & signs

**PUBLICATION
SERVER**

makes available



ROUTE ORIGIN VALIDATION

“Is this BGP origination authorised by the legitimate holder of the address space?”

ROUTE ORIGIN AUTHORISATION

- AS Number
- IP Prefix
- Maximum Prefix Length (`maxLength`)

Liberal usage of `maxLength` opens up the network to a forged origin attack. ROAs should be as precise as possible.

ROV: THREE POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

- **Valid**
 - ◆ The route announcement is covered by at least one Validated ROA Payload
- **Invalid**
 - ◆ The prefix is announced from an unauthorised AS, or the announcement is more specific than is allowed by the maxLength set in a VRP that matches the prefix and AS.
- **NotFound**

ORIGIN VS. PATH VALIDATION

- Route Origin Validation (ROV) provides value for most issues:
 - Most mis-originations are accidental – “fat-fingering”
 - For many networks, the most important prefixes are one hop away
- Practical Path Validation is achievable, drafts are in progress:
 - draft-azimov-sidrops-aspa-profile
 - draft-azimov-sidrops-aspa-verification

HOSTED RPKI

- All five RIR have been offering Hosted RPKI since 2011
- Request certificate and issue ROAs through web portal
- Implementations vary across regions:
 - ROA Request Generation Key Pairs in ARIN
 - User interface guidance to create high quality ROAs
 - Setting up alerts for misconfigurations and possible hijacks

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2 CERTIFIED RESOURCES

ALERTS ARE SENT TO 1 ADDRESS

2 BGP Announcements



2 Valid

0 Invalid

0 Unknown

2 ROAs



2 OK



0 Causing problems

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Discard Changes

Delete ROAs

Causing Problems

Not Causing Problems

+ New ROA

AS number

Prefix

Most specific length allowed

Affects

AS Number

Prefix

Max length

AS199664

2a04:b900::/29

29

1

AS199664

185.49.140.0/22

22

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DELEGATED RPKI

- Better integration with operator's own systems
- Organization will be the only one in possession of their private key
- Organization is operationally independent from the parent RIR
- Operator of a global network can operate a single system, rather than maintain ROAs in up to five web interfaces

WHATEVER YOU CHOOSE, GO ALL IN!

- It's better to create **no** ROAs than **bad** ones
- Once you start create ROAs, **Maintain** them!
- Make RPKI part of standard operations
- Set up monitoring and alerting
- Train your first line help desk

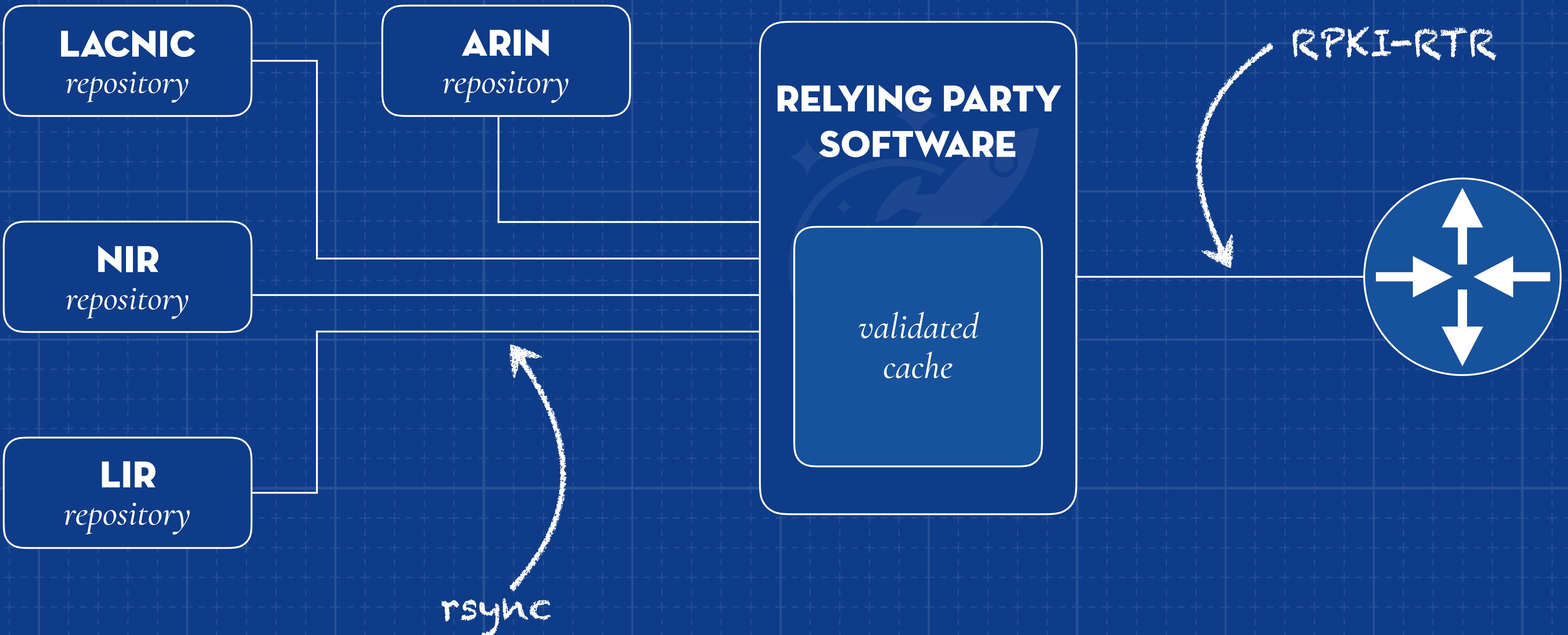
WHAT IF IT BREAKS?

- No DNSSEC horror story; e.g. unavailable zone due to signing mishap
- RPKI provides a positive statement on routing intent
- Lose your keys? Hardware failure?
Publication server being DDoSed?

*All routes will eventually fall back to the
“NotFound” state, as if RPKI were never used*

USING RPKI DATA

RPKI VALIDATION



*For ROV to succeed in its objective,
operators should ultimately drop all BGP
announcements that are marked as Invalid.*

FURTHER READING

RPKI DOCUMENTATION PROJECT

<https://rpki.readthedocs.io>



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