Creating policies that work for you

APNIC 21

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Policy

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Presenters

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  - Policy Development Manager
- Amante Alvaran
  - Training Officer

Maximise address space potential by …

- Understanding why a knowledge of Internet resource policy is important to your business

- Learning how to participate to ensure your needs are met

- Understanding how easy it is to participate in policy creation

What do we mean by "policy"?

- A set of agreed principles which define Internet Resource management

- Scope
  - Anything related to management of Internet resources
    - eg. reverse-DNS, Whois Database, IPv4 & IPv6 addresses, AS numbers

- Out of scope
  - Mandating certain technical behaviour or 'policing' ISP business practices
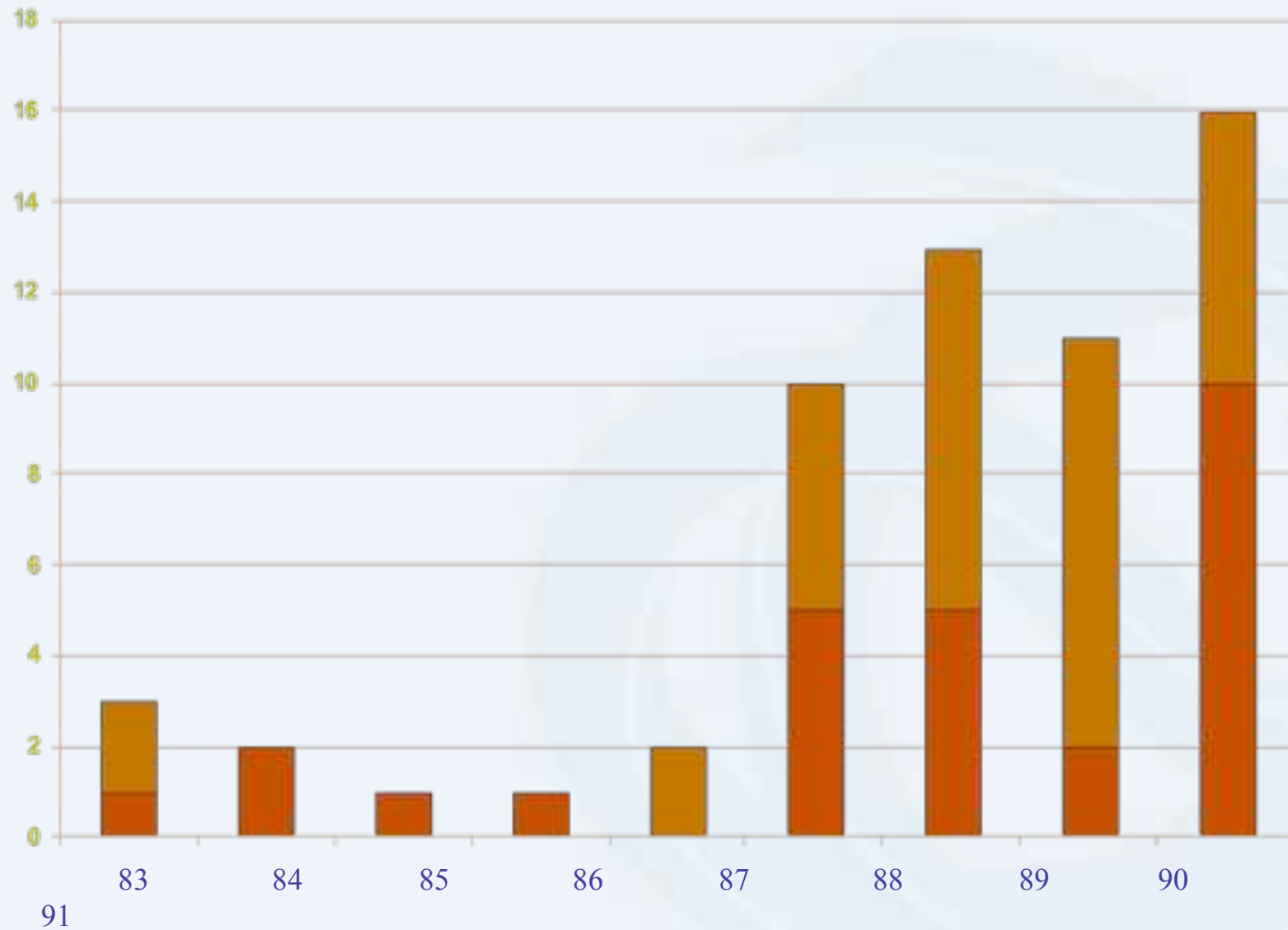
Early years: 1981 – 1992

"The assignment of numbers is also handled by Jon. If you are developing a protocol or application that will require the use of a link, socket, port, protocol, or network number **please contact Jon to receive a number assignment**." (RFC 790)

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Why do we need policies?

- Manage and stabilise addressing and routing growth

Conservation	Aggregation	Registration
• Efficient use of resources • Based on demonstrated need	• Limit routing table growth • Support provider-based routing	• Ensure uniqueness • Facilitate trouble shooting

- Answering industry needs
  - ISP industry needs access to resources on an equal basis
  - Uniqueness, fairness and consistency

Enter the RIRs: 1992

1992:

"It has become clear that ... these activities are likely to be performed within the next one to three years." (RFC1366)

"…it is [now] desirable to consider delegating the registration function to an organization in each of those geographic areas." (RFC 1338)
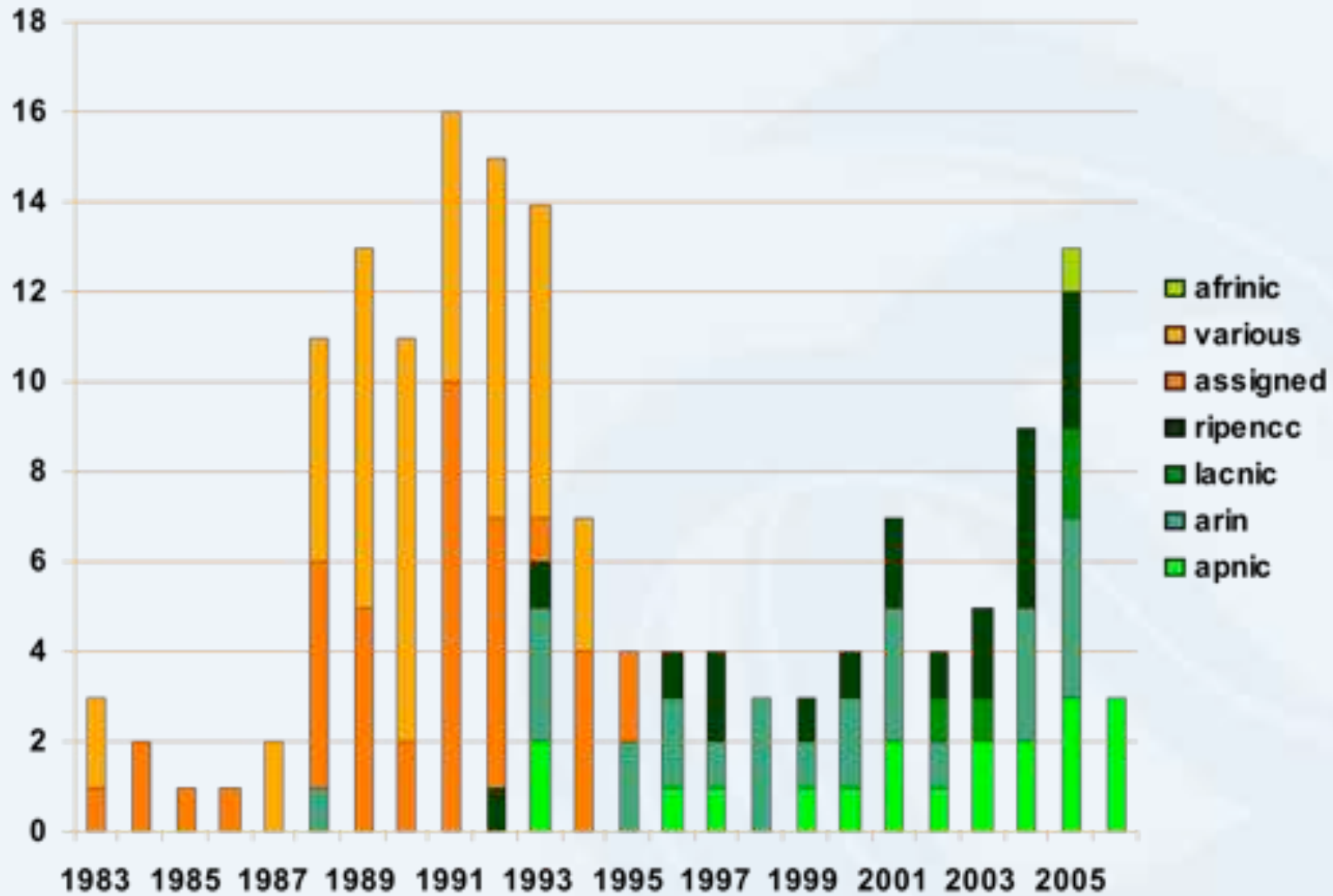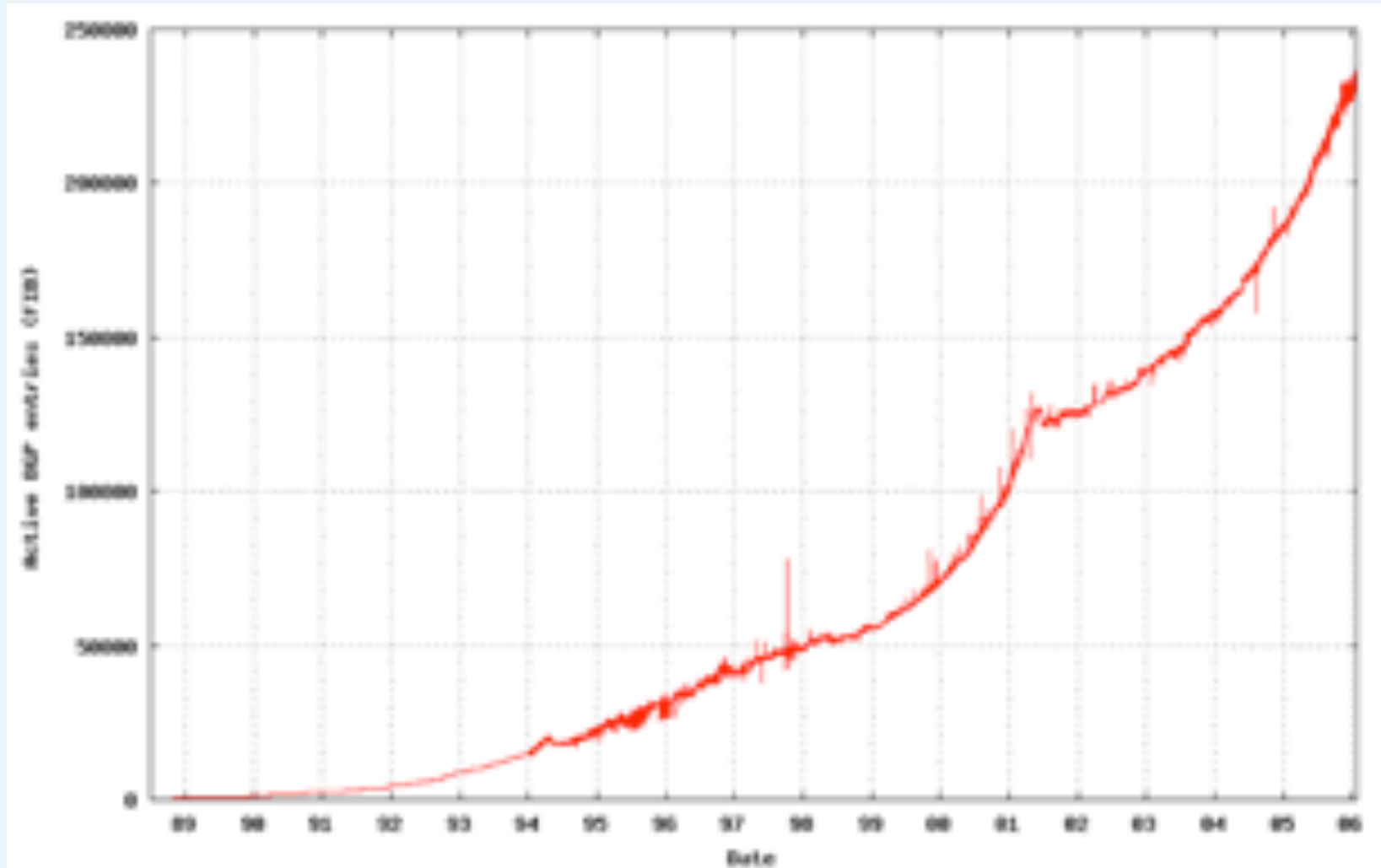
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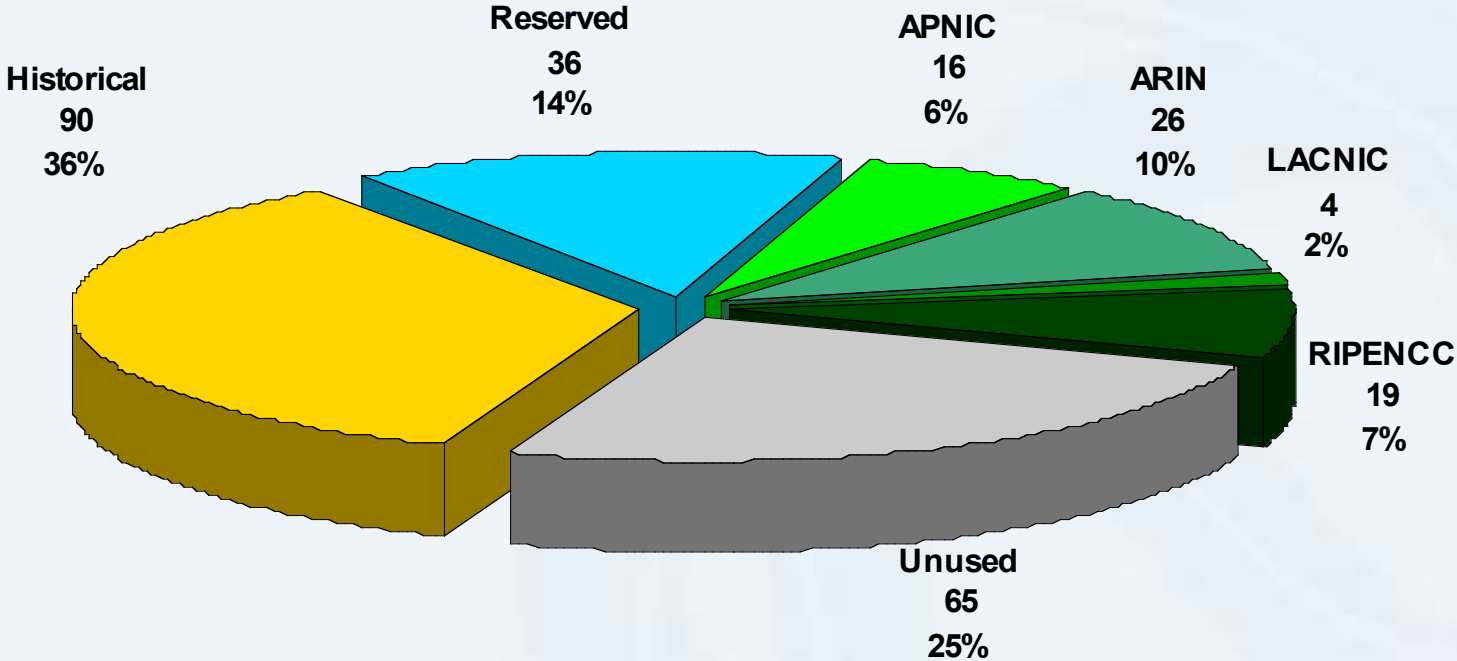Number Resource Organisation

Address distribution to 2006 - /8

Routing table to 2006

More data in http://bgp.potaroo.net/

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IPv4 – IANA distribution

Historical
90
36%

Reserved
36
14%

APNIC
16
6%

ARIN
26
10%

LACNIC
4
2%

RIPENCC
19
7%

Unused
65
25%

Why have an interest in policy?

- Business reasons
  - Policy affect your business operating environment and are constantly changing
  - Ensure your 'needs' are met

- Responsibility as APNIC member
  - Be aware of the current policies for managing address space allocated to you

Discussion

- Who has submitted a policy proposal?
- If not, why not?
  - Time poor, not interested, didn't know you could, not your responsibility to do so?
- Recognise that there are problems
  - APNIC is trying to make things easy with an evolutionary approach
    - eg. RSS mailing lists, and new for this meeting podcasts & audio only stream
    - eLearning for training

Demonstration

- Process of submitting proposal form
  - http://www.apnic.net/cgi-bin/policy_proposal.pl

- Recognise you are at this meeting but may not attend future meetings
  - Ways to stay "informed with minimal effort"
  - Catering to on-demand need
    - RSS mailing list announcements
    - Archives of webcasts, podcasts of sessions

Policy proposal web-form

Ways to participate

Participation

Mailing List
- Policy announcements
- SIG discussions

Contact APNIC

Discuss in your community

Remote Participation
- Video- & audio streaming
- Jabber chat
- Live transcripts
- Archives & minutes

Meeting
- Network & discuss w/ peers
- SIGs & BoFs

The policy development process

Need Discuss Consensus Implement

Proposal (4 w before meeting) → ML discussion → Meeting discussion → Consensus → Report to AMM → Consensus → Comment period (8 weeks) → Consensus → EC endorsement → Implementation (3 months)

Elements of the process

Member Meeting

MM: forum specific to APNIC business eg. fee structure, election of executive council & endorsement of policy decisions

WGs: semi formal, volunteer group tasked by a SIG to work on a particular project until completed eg. 'Broadband'

Open Policy Meeting & Mailing Lists

Working Groups

Special Interest Groups

SIGs: Formal groups that discuss broad areas of policy relevant to the APNIC internet community

BOFs: Informal meetings to exchange ideas eg. CA BOF, SPAM, ICONs
Need to hold at least one to form new SIG

Birds of a Feather

Facilitating the process

- Policy development facilitation
  - APNIC secretariat is first contact
  - SIG chairs check suitability
  - Discussion in appropriate mailing list
  - Discussion in upcoming SIG and AMM
    - Decision by consensus

- Want a policy change?
  - Discuss with peers
  - Submit a proposal using the form
    - Don't need to be a member to participate
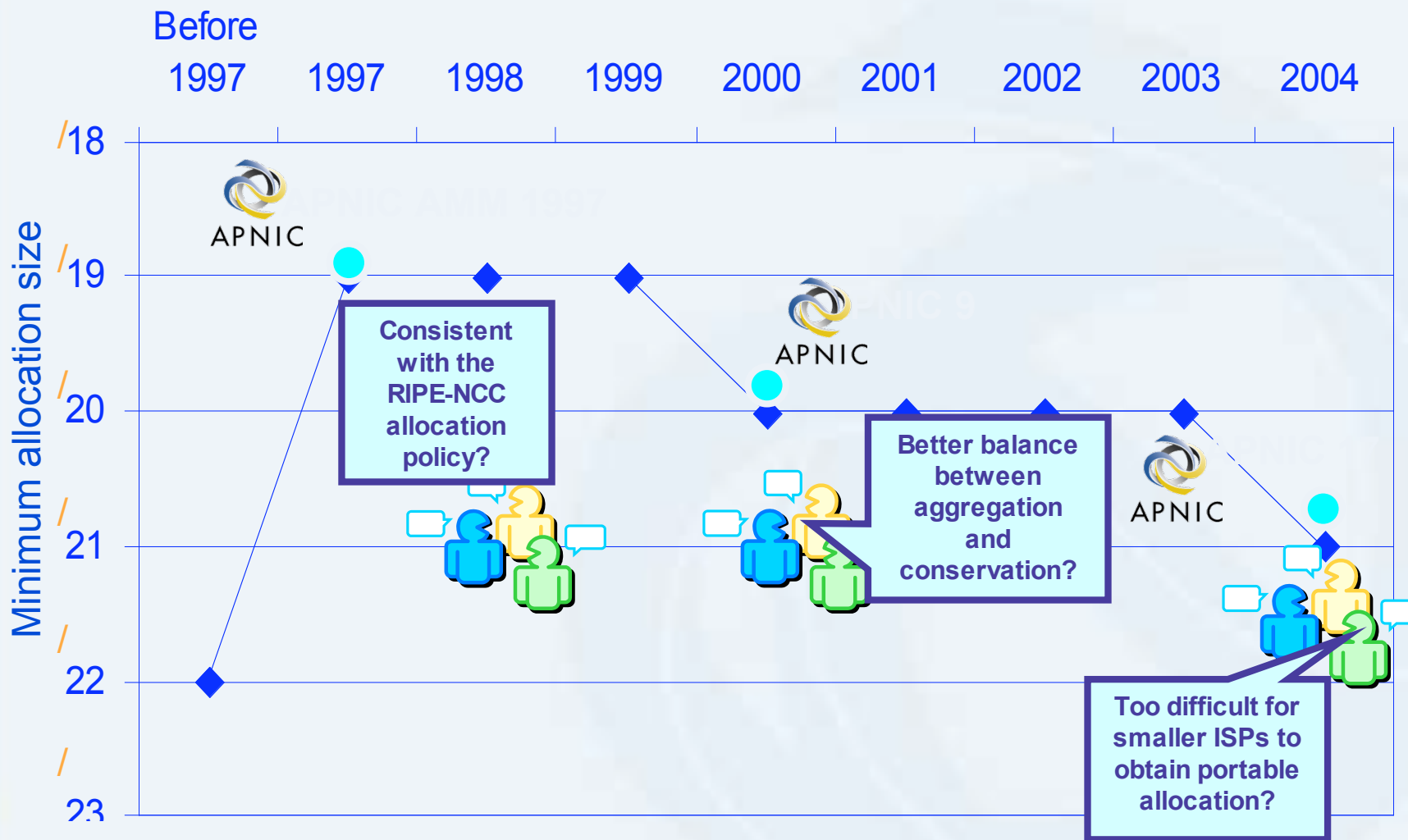   - Secretariat happy to assist if needed

Case studies

Overview

- IPv4 minimum allocation size
- Privacy of address assignments
- Prevent routing of 'dark' address space
- Portable IPv6 address space assignment

Case 1 – IPv4 allocation size

Case 2

- prop-007-v001: Privacy of customer assignment records
  - Discussed in APNIC 16
- Objective
  - Protect ISP customer assignment information
  - Defines private & public information
- Motivation
  - Privacy and legal responsibility
  - Database registration accuracy
- Adopted
  - Provision of hidden attributes within APNIC database for use with inetnum, inet6num and autnum

Case 3

- prop-023-v001: A proposal to prevent the routing of 'dark' address space ('unallocated')
  - Discussed in APNIC 18
- Objective:
  - APNIC to revoke allocated IP address space to offenders routing un-allocated address space used for illegal or unsavory practices, eg. Spam
- Motivation
  - Curb spammers
- Did not get support

Case 4

- 2006-4: IPv6 direct portable assignments for end sites
  - New proposal in ARIN for upcoming ARIN XVII (April 2006)
- Objective
  - Orgs multihoming in IPv4 to qualify for portable assignment in IPv6
- Motivation
  - Orgs need to multihome in IPv6
  - No real solution yet

Current policy proposals

http://www.apnic.net/docs/policy/proposals/

What's next?

- This week
  - Attend APNIC 21
  - Discussions are held in SIG sessions and AMM
  - Attend various tutorials
  - Meet and discuss with APNIC staff and hostmaster

- Subscribe to ML if you haven't done so
  - Follow the discussions
  - Contribute to the community, post your thoughts

Summary

- Policies evolve and change continually to reflect changing environment
- Policies are important as they define the way that you use, manage and obtain resources and can impact your business
- We recognise that you have competing priorities
  - We're trying to make it easier for you
- If you have a problem, it's easier to become involved and be heard

Thank you for listening

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