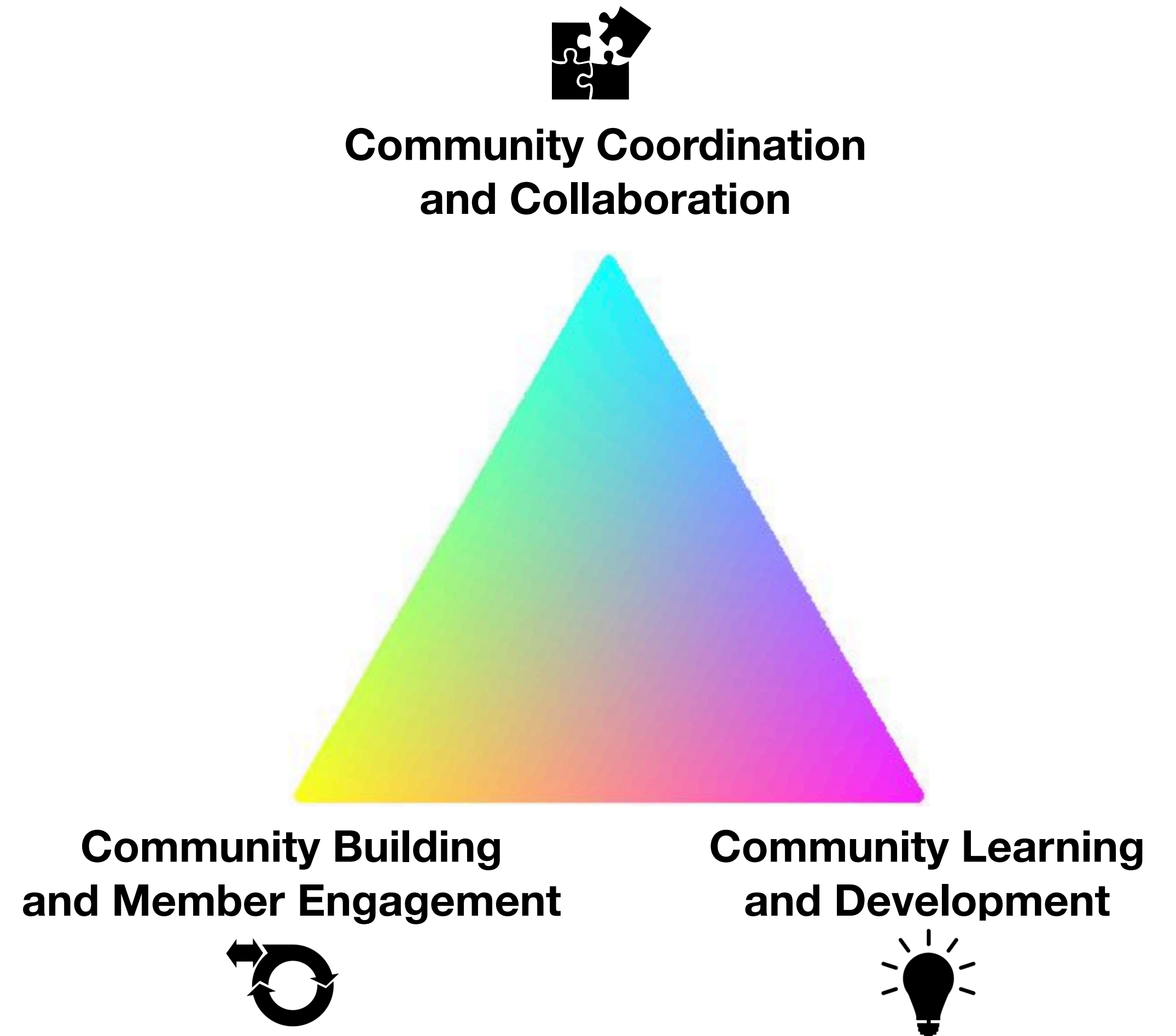# RIPE NCC Community Update

Chief Community Officer Report

Hisham Ibrahim | RIPE 84 | 19 May 2022

My Top Three Priorities as CCO

- Institutionalise the knowledge and understanding of the needs of the local communities in our service region.

- Restructure teams as well as our presence throughout the service region to create better workflows and more meaningful impact.

- Build ecosystems around RIPE NCC's data services.

Community Coordination and Collaboration

Community Building and Member Engagement

Community Learning and Development

Strategic Objective

1. Support an **open**, **inclusive** and **engaged** RIPE community

- The well-being of the RIPE community is essential to ensure the development of the Internet in our service region and beyond.

- It is from the community that we receive our mandate and it must thrive, evolve and function adequately.

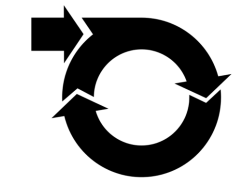- We are committed to supporting the RIPE community.

Strategic Goals

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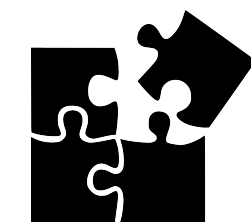
1.2 Create and foster environments and dialogues throughout the service region to maintain a highly engaged community.

1.3 Support the RIPE community's open, bottom-up process of consensus-based decision-making.

Community Building & Member Engagement

1.4 Maintain excellent relationships with technical, governmental and standards bodies.

Community Coordination & Collaboration

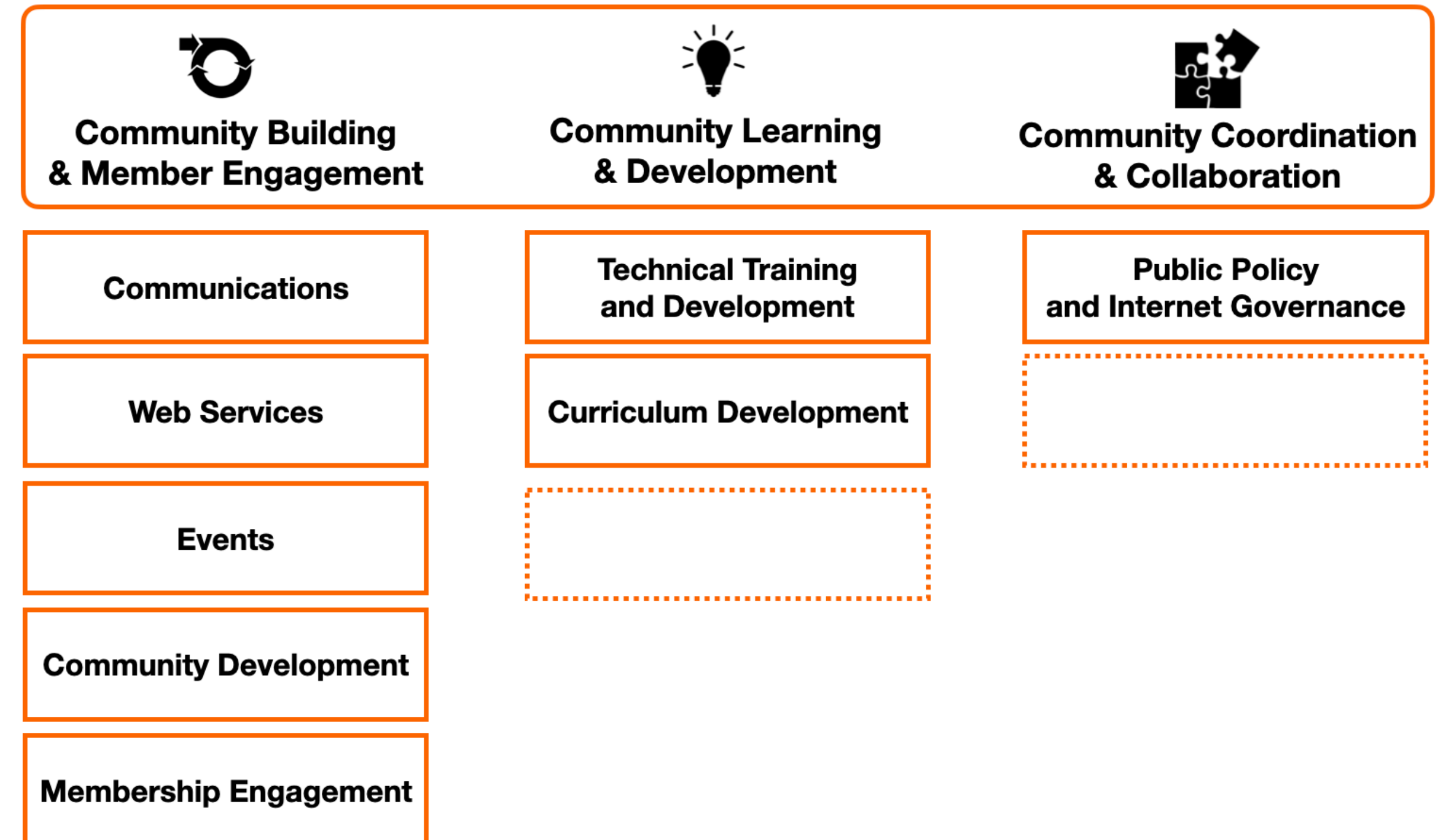**1.5** Increase community knowledge through learning and development activities.

Community Learning & Development

Source: RIPE NCC Strategy 2022 - 2026

Activities and Budget

- 41 budgeted FTEs and political, public relations and business consultants.

- Presence in seven countries:
  - AE, AM, AT, NL, RS, RU and UA

- Budget (Total 9M EUR):
  - Community Building and Member Engagement 5M EUR.
  - Community Learning and Development: 2.6M EUR.
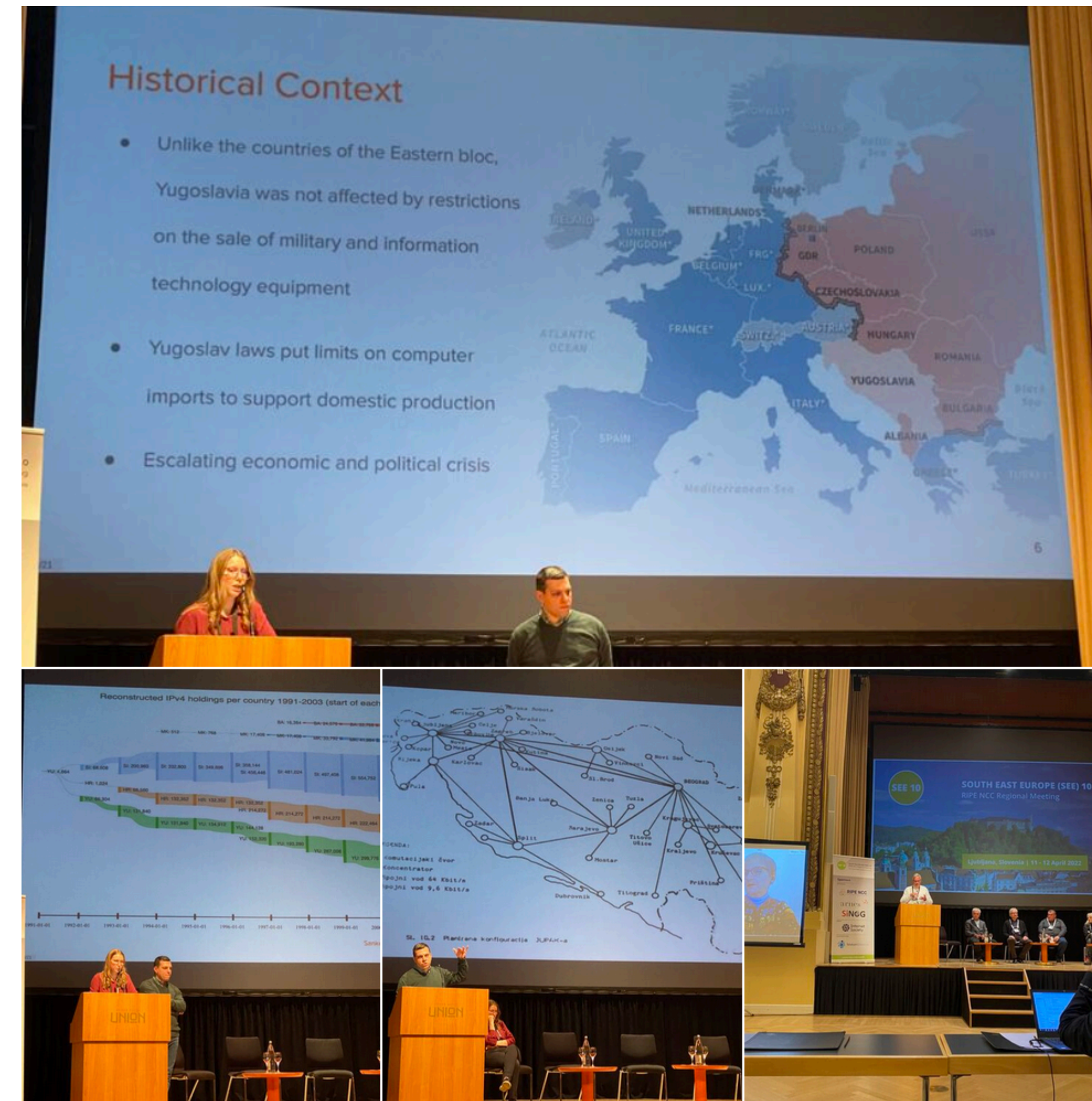 - Community Coordination and Collaboration: 1.4M EUR.

Community Building & Member Engagement	Community Learning & Development	Community Coordination & Collaboration
Communications	Technical Training and Development	Public Policy and Internet Governance
Web Services	Curriculum Development	
Events		
Community Development		
Membership Engagement		

Source: RIPE NCC Activity Plan and Budget 2022

Strategic Goal 1.2
Create and foster environments and dialogues throughout the service region to maintain a highly engaged community.

SEE 10 / RIPE NCC Regional Meeting

- SEE 10 first hybrid meeting:

  - 140+ onsite participants.

  - 100+ unique online participants.

- Excellent research presentation and panel on <u>the history of Internet infrastructure in ex-Yugoslavia.</u>

- Call for hosts for SEE 11.

ENOG 19 / RIPE NCC Regional Meeting

- In March 2022, ENOG PC Chair Töma Gavrichenkov sent a <u>request</u> to the ENOG mailing list, asking the RIPE NCC Executive Board to formally disband the ENOG community.

- In response, the RIPE NCC <u>announced</u> that we would postpone the ENOG 19 / RIPE NCC Regional Meeting and will reallocate funds towards local engagements throughout the region.

- Whether or not ENOG meetings should continue, and in what form, is a community decision.

Eastern Europe and Central Asia

- The Virtual Peering Series - Central Asia (VPS-CA)

  - ISOC, Euro-IX and the RIPE NCC organised a series of online events in 2021 and 2022.

- The Central Asian Peering and Interconnection Forum (CAPIF)

  - First meeting later this year in Kazakhstan.

- RIPE NCC Day in Uzbekistan

  - Scheduled to take place in Tashkent, Uzbekistan from 20-23 September 2022.

- Online technical support in Ukraine

  - Routing Security online workshop.

Community Engagement

- Internet Measurement Days
  - Czech Republic (14 December 2021)
  - Georgia (17 February 2022)
  - South East Europe (soon)

- Middle East Network Operator Group and Peering Forum (MENOG)
  - Manama, Bahrain (December 2022)

Content Creation for Engagement

- RIPE Lab Articles

  - new addition of podcasts

- RIPE NCC Internet Country Reports

  - Cyprus, Israel and Malta (December 2021)

  - IPv6 in Sweden (May 2022)

  - Bulgaria, Moldova and Romania (May 2022)

The RIPE Labs Podcast

Sharing the ideas that help shape the Internet

Strategic Goal 1.1
Support the community in being recognised as inclusive and diverse and one that sees participation from all relevant groups.

Community Engagement

- Language Support

  - Working on a <u>translation wiki</u>

  - Languages: Turkish, Farsi, Spanish, Italian, Russian and Arabic

- Open Houses

  - Topics: Test Labs, DNS4EU, Anti-Abuse, User Interface, RPKI Data, NOG Organisers

  - Countries: Cyprus, Malta, Israel, Central Asia

- NOG support

  - RSNOG, GENOG, IRNOG, PLNOG, UKNOF, ESNOG, FRNOG

Academic

- University sessions

  - Technical University Delft, St Petersburg University, Thessaloniki University, DIS Copenhagen, University of Applied Sciences Rosenheim, INHA University Tashkent.

- Online Student Event (3 May 2022)

  - Primarily with newcomers.

- Continuing work with the two RACI projects from 2021

  - Results will be presented at RIPE 85

- Attending, presenting and sponsoring academic conferences

Strategic Goal 1.5
Increase community knowledge through learning and development activities.

In-person Training Workshops

- First successful in-person pilots in Amsterdam and Madrid in April and May 2022.

- Upcoming courses include:
  - Brussels (9-10 June)
  - Paris (30 Jun-1 July)

- In July, we will only deliver webinars.

- After the summer break, we will resume in-person workshops with one to two locations per month.

Curriculum Development

- The BGP Security course and exam are scheduled for release in Q3Y22

  - Parts of the RPKI module will also be turned into microlearnings which are due to be released before the course launches.

- Internet Governance course

- Anti-Abuse Webinar

  - Analysis and design phases of the webinar were concluded with input from the AA-WG.

  - Gerardo Viviers presented on the current state of the Anti-Abuse training in the AA-WG session.

Responding to Feedback

- Working on a blended learning programme to combine live webinar sessions with e-learning material.

- Developing tools, procedures and a <u>new website</u> to improve user experience and journey.

- Exploring new proctoring options such as "live testing at events" and "record and reviewed".

Strategic Goal 1.4
Maintain excellent relationships with technical, governmental and standards bodies.

Engagements with Governments

- The RIPE NCC has signed contracts with the Dutch government and with Learning Connections in Italy for Certified Professionals exam bundles.

- The contract with the Digital Development Centre in Iraq is currently being signed.

- We have also launched a pilot partnership with the European Cybercrime Training and Education Group and a partnership with the European LEA learning organisation is planned for summer 2022.

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Engagements with Governments

- Round Tables

  - Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (December 2021)

  - Middle East (December 2021)

  - Europe (February 2022)

- The RIPE NCC responded to the EU's open consultation on the Declaration of Digital Principles and the text now includes a reference to promoting a multi-stakeholder approach to Internet governance.

- RIPE NCC met with various European Commission staff and national government representatives to discuss sanctions and ways to support the technical community in our service region.

Engagements with Governments

- The period from December 2021 to October 2022 is an intense time for the ITU, with four major world conferences, as well as elections for the Secretary General and other positions:

  - WTPF-21 - Policy - Online (December 2021)

  - WTSA-20 - Standards - Geneva/online (March 2022)

  - WTDC-21 - Development - Kigali (June 2022)

  - PP-22 - High-level - Bucharest - (September/October 2022)

- Beyond these conferences, we're also involved in:

  - Different study groups: SG11 (protocols) / SG13 (future networks) / SG20 (IoT)

  - The Council Working Group on International Internet-related Public Policy Issues (CWG-Internet)

Questions ❓

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