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# APNIC Resource Certification Service Project

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#### Motivation

- Routing security has become critical in the operation of the Internet
  - -Vital need for (automatic) AS/route validity checks
- RFC3779 has been created to address this problem

 Defines extension to the X.509 certificate format for IP addresses & AS number

- The RFC specifies that the certification authority hierarchy should follow the IP address and AS delegation hierarchy
  - -Follows IANA -> RIR ->LIR

And all their downstream delegations

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#### Objectives

- This project establishes a new APNIC service to provide
  - Issuance of RFC3779 compliant certificates to APNIC members
  - Policy and technical infrastructure necessary to deploy and use the certificates by the routing community and general public
    - CPS (Certification practice statement)
    - Certificate repository
    - CRL (Certificate revocation list)
  - -Tools and examples (open source) for downstream certification by NIR, LIR and ISP

### RFC3779 summary

- Abstract
  - This document defines two X.509 v3 certificate extensions
    - The first binds a list of IP address blocks, or prefixes, to the subject of a certificate
    - The second binds a list of autonomous system identifiers to the subject of a certificate
  - These extensions may be used to convey the authorization of the subject to use the IP addresses and autonomous system identifiers contained in the extensions



## **RFC3779** summary

 The certificate chain will reflect the delegation hierarchy, from IANA down to the end users







#### **Project phases**

- Trial 4Q 2005
  - -Early adopters, s/w developers, router designers
  - -Major requirement changes allowed
    - Certificate formats may change
- Pilot 1Q 2006
  - -Input from trial used to test service
  - -Wider deployment
  - -Minor requirement changes allowed
    - Certificate format should be stable
- Full service 2Q 2006
  - -General service availability
  - -Full policy and procedures in place

#### Deliverables

- Phase 1 trial
  - RFC3779 compliant certificates issued to selected members
  - -Tools and utilities (open source)
    - Requesting certificates
    - Issuing downstream certificates
    - Certificate validation tools
      - -Both online and offline
  - Experiences/Outcomes to be presented at next AMM in Routing SIG

-May lead to policy proposals

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### **Q & A**

• FAQ

-Router community participation?

• Discussed with Cisco, Juniper, actively seeking participation of other BGP coders in tests

#### - Certificate lifetimes?

 Have to be tied to membership/relationship. Considering options for longer lifetimes subject to suitable agreements

-APNIC certify LIR sub-delegations?

• NO. Only warrant relationship with LIR, existance of resource allocation to that LIR from APNIC



#### **Questions?**

#### Thank you!