APNIC Training

Internet Routing Registry (IRR)

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Introduction

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Overview

- What is IRR?
- Why use an IRR?
- APNIC database and the IRR
- Using the Routing Registry
- Using RPSL in practice
- Benefit of using IRR

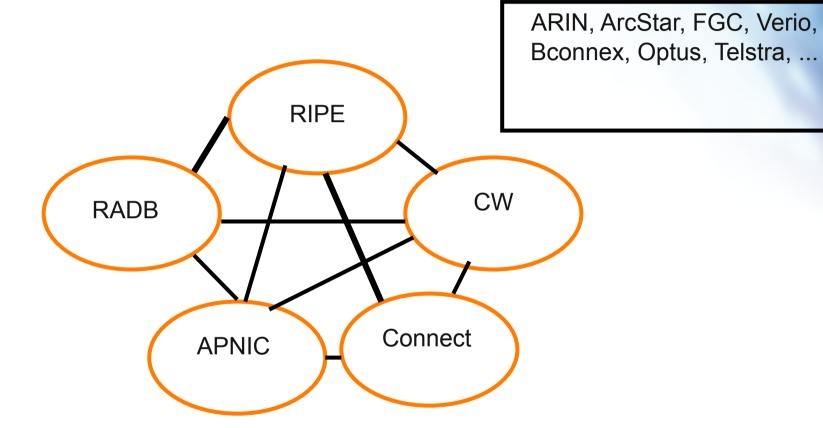
What is a Routing Registry?

- A repository (database) of Internet routing policy information
 - Autonomous Systems exchanges routing information via BGP
 - Exterior routing decisions are based on policy based rules
 - However BGP does not provides a mechanism to publish/ communicate the policies themselves
 - RR provides this functionality
- Routing policy information is expressed in a series of objects

What is a Routing Registry?

- Global Internet Routing Registry database
 - http://www.irr.net/
 - Uses RPSL
- Stability and consistency of routing
 - network operators share information
- Both public and private databases
 - These databases are independent
 - but some exchange data
 - only register your data in one database

What is a Routing Registry?



IRR = APNIC RR + RIPE DB + RADB + C&W + ARIN + ...



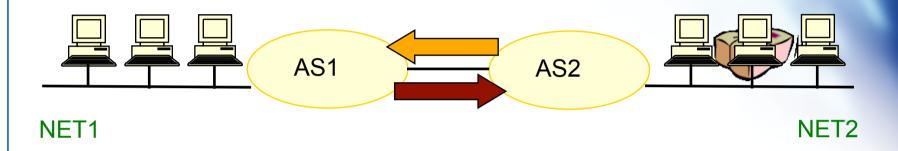
Routing Registry Objects

- Route, aut-num, inet-rtr, peering-set,
 AS-set, rtr-set, filter-set
 - Each object has its own purpose
 - Together express routing policies
- More details covered later

What is Routing Policy?

- Description of the routing relationship between autonomous systems
 - Who are my BGP peers?
 - Customer, peers, upstream
 - What routes are:
 - Originated by each neighbour?
 - Imported from each neighbour?
 - Exported to each neighbour?
 - Preferred when multiple routes exist?
 - What to do if no route exists?
 - What routes to aggregate?

Representation of Routing Policy



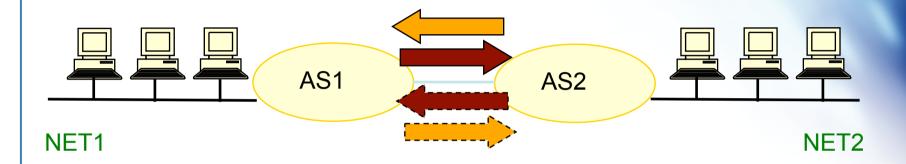
In order for traffic to flow from NET2 to NET1 between AS1 and AS2:

AS1 has to announce NET1 to AS2 via BGP

And AS2 has to accept this information and use it

Resulting in packet flow from NET2 to NET1

Representation of Routing Policy (cont.)



In order for traffic to flow towards from NET1 to NET2:

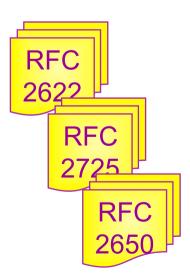
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Resulting in packet flow from NET 1 to NET2

RPSL

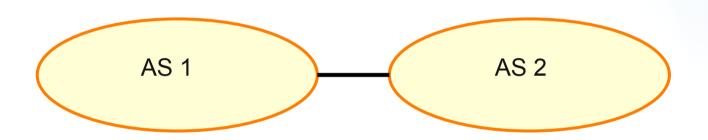
- Routing Policy Specification Language
 - Object oriented language
 - Based on RIPE-181
 - Structured whois objects
- Higher level of abstraction than access lists
- Describes things interesting to routing policy:
 - Routes, AS Numbers ...
 - Relationships between BGP peers
 - Management responsibility
- Relevant RFCs
 - Routing Policy Specification Language
 - **Routing Policy System Security**
 - Using RPSL in Practice





Routing Policy - Examples

Basic concept



"action pref" - the lower the value, the preferred the route

aut-num: AS1

. .

import: from AS2 action pref= 100: accept AS2

export: to AS2 announce AS1

aut-num: AS2

. . .

import: from AS1 action pref=100; accept AS1

export: to AS1 announce AS2

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Why use an IRR?

Network Planning

- Network planning
 - Simulation
 - Changes in polices can be simulated first by changing the registry but not the routers
 - To understand effects of policy changes to the existing networks
 - To make better network planning
 - To make it easier to adjust policies to maximise the performance of the network
 - Route filtering
 - Peering networks
 - A provider and its customer

Router configuration and Network troubleshooting

- Router configuration
 - By using IRRToolSet
 - Extract information from IRR to create a router readable configuration file
 - Vendor independent
 - Verification of Internet routing and Protect against inaccurate routing info distribution
- Network troubleshooting
 - Easier to locate routing problems outside your network

APNIC Database and the IRR

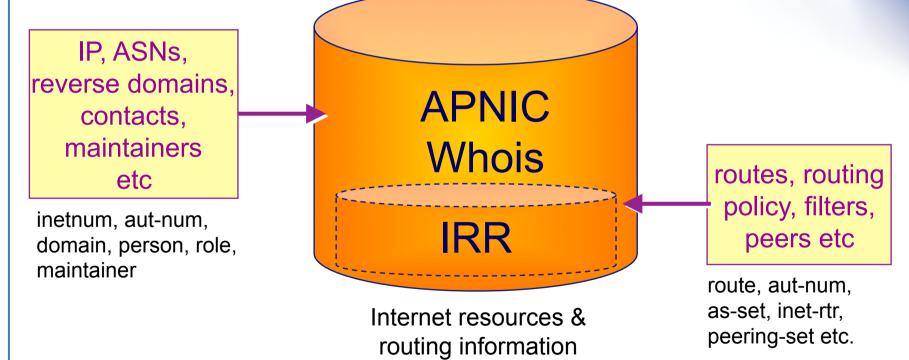


APNIC Database & the IRR

- APNIC whois Database
 - Two databases in one
- Public Network Management Database
 - "whois" info about networks & contact persons
 - IP addresses, AS numbers etc
- Routing Registry
 - contains routing information
 - routing policy, routes, filters, peers etc.
 - APNIC RR is part of the global IRR

Integration of Whois and IRR

 Integrated APNIC Whois Database & Internet Routing Registry





IRR Objects

- route
 - Specifies interAS routes
- aut-num
 - Represents an AS. Used to describe external routing policy
- inet-rtr
 - Represents a router
- peering-set
 - Defines a set of peerings

- route-set
 - Defines a set of routes
- as-set
 - Defines a set of aut-num objects
- rtr-set
 - Defines a set of routers
- filter-set
 - Defines a set of routes that are matched by its filter



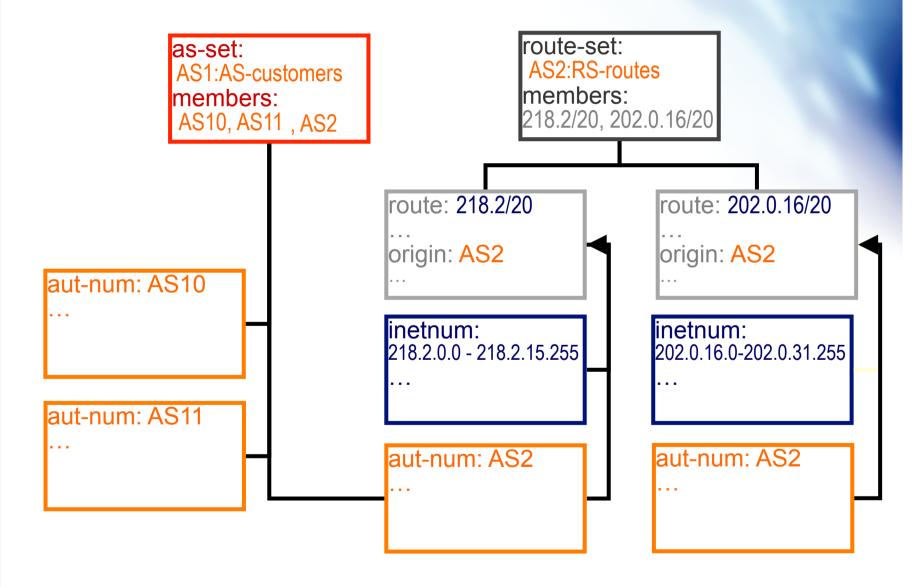


Inter-related IRR Objects

aut-num: AS1
...
tech-c: KX17-AP
mnt-by: MAINT-EX
...
mnt-by: MAINT-EX

person:
...
nic-hdl: KX17-AP
...
mntner: MAINT-EX
...

Inter-related IRR Objects



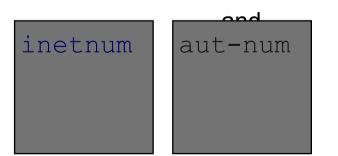


Hierarchical Authorisation

- mnt-routes
 - authenticates creation of route objects
 - creation of route objects must pass authentication of mntner referenced in the mnt-routes attribute
 - Format:

• mnt-routes: <mntner>

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Authorisation Mechanism

202.137.181.0 - 202.137.196.255 inetnum:

SPARKYNET-WF netname:

descr: SparkyNet Service Provider

APNIC-HM mnt-by:

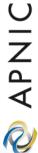
mnt-lower: MAINT-SPARKYNET1-WF

mnt-routes: MAINT-SPARKYNET2-WF

This object can only be modified by APNIC

Creation of more specific objects (assignments) within this range has to pass the authentication of MAINT-SPARKYNET

Creation of route objects matching/within this range has to pass the authentication of MAINT-SPARKYNET-WF

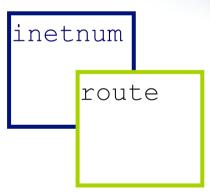




Creating Route Objects

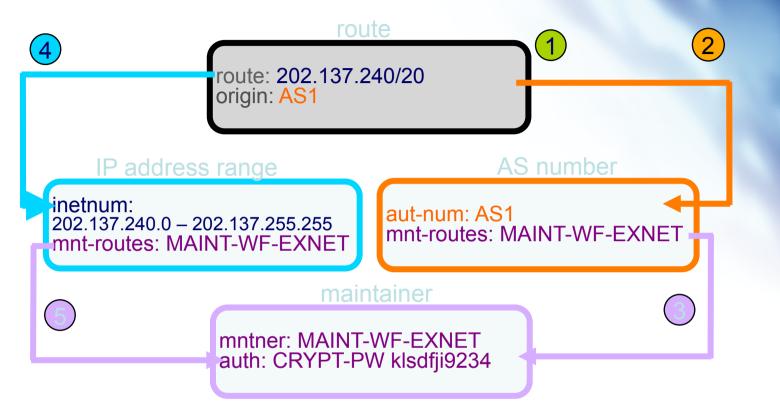
- Multiple authentication checks:
 - Originating ASN
 - mntner in the mnt-routes is checked
 - If no mnt-routes, mnt-lower is checked
 - If no mnt-lower, mnt-by is checked
 - AND the address space
 - Exact match & less specific route
 - mnt-routes etc
 - Exact match & less specific inetnum
 - mnt-routes etc
 - AND the route object mntner itself
 - The mntner in the mnt-by attribute







Creating Route Objects



- 1. Create route object and submit to APNIC RR database
- 2. DB checks aut-num obj corresponding to the ASN in route obj
- 3. Route obj creation must pass auth of mntner specified in aut-num *mnt-routes* attribute.
- 4. DB checks inetnum obj matching/encompassing IP range in route obj
- 5. Route obj creation must pass auth of mntner specified in inetnum *mnt-routes* attribute.



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Using the Routing Registry

IRRToolSet

- Set of tools developed for using the Internet Routing Registry (IRR)
- Work with Internet routing policies
 - These policies are stored in IRR in the Routing Policy Specification Language (RPSL)
- The goal of the IRRToolSet is to make routing information more convenient and useful for network engineers
 - Tools for automated router configuration,
 - Routing policy analysis
 - On-going maintenance etc.

IRRToolSet

- Now maintained by ISC:
 - http://irrtoolset.isc.org
 - Download: ftp://ftp.isc.org/isc/IRRToolSet/
 - Installation needs: lex, yacc and C++ compiler

Use of RPSL - RtConfig

- RtConfig v4
 - part of IRRToolSet
- Reads policy from IRR (aut-num, route & -set objects) and generates router configuration
 - vendor specific:
 - Cisco, Bay's BCC, Juniper's Junos and Gated/RSd
 - Creates route-map and AS path filters
 - Can also create ingress / egress filters
 - (documentation says Cisco only)

Why use IRR and RtConfig?

- Benefits of RtConfig
 - Avoid filter errors (typos)
 - Expertise encoded in the tools that generate the policy rather than engineer configuring peering session
 - Filters consistent with documented policy
 - (need to get policy correct though)

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Using RPSL in practice

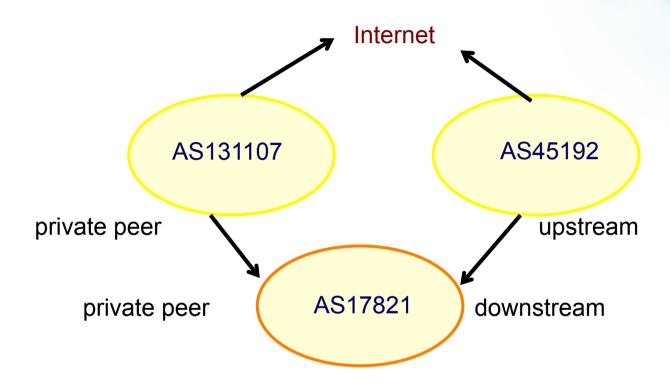
Overview

- Review examples of routing policies expression
 - Peering policies
 - Filtering policies
 - Backup connection
 - Multihoming policies

RPSL - review

- Purpose of RPSL
 - Allows specification of your routing configuration in the public IRR
 - Allows you to check "Consistency" of policies and announcements
 - Gives opportunities to consider the policies and configuration of others

Common Peering Policies



- AS45192 is your upstream provider
- AS131107 is a private peer
- Your AS is AS17821

How to write this in Aut-num

aut-num: AS17821

remarks: AS45192 is your upstream provider

import: from AS45192 action pref=100; accept ANY

export: to AS45192 announce AS17821

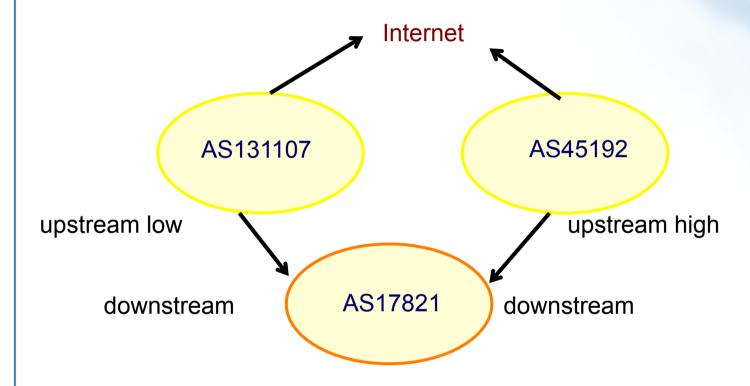
remarks: AS131107 is a private peer

import: from AS131107 action pref=20; accept AS131107

export: to AS131107 announce AS17821

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Common Peering Policies



- AS45192 is your preferred upstream provider
- AS131107 is your backup upstream provider
- Your AS is AS17821



How to write this in Aut-num

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import: from AS45192 action pref=100; accept ANY

export: to AS45192 announce AS17821

remarks: AS131107 is your backup upstream provider

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export: to AS131107 action aspath.prepend (AS17821,

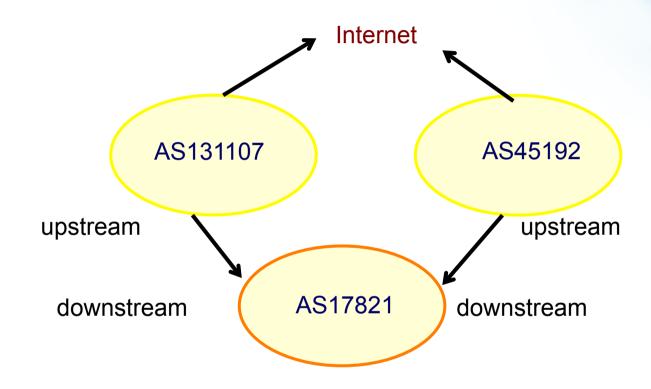
AS17821); announce AS131107

remarks: Optional extra import line to prefer direct

remarks: connection to AS131107 from AS17821

import: from AS131107 action pref=20; accept AS131107

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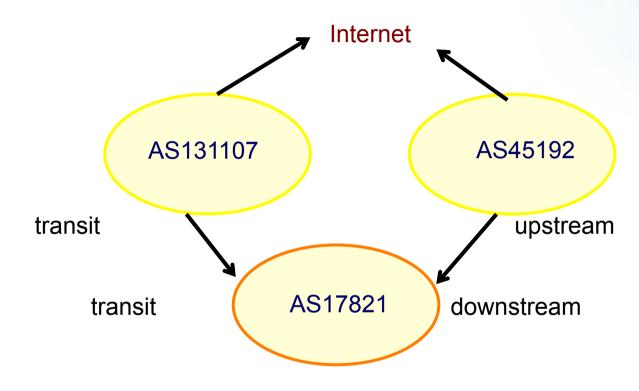
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export: to AS131107 announce AS131107

remarks: the pref is optional here

Common Peering Policies



- AS45192 is your upstream provider
- AS131107 gives you transit AND you give AS131107 transit as well
- Your AS is AS17821

How to write this in Aut-num

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remarks: AS45192 is your upstream provider

import: from AS45192 action pref=100; accept ANY

export: to AS45192 announce AS17821

remarks: AS131107 is your transit provider

import: from AS131107 action pref=100; accept ANY

export: to AS131107 announce ANY

remarks: the pref is optional here

New Initiative

RIRs have been developing a new service for their members

- APNIC has now launched Resource Certification for the AP region
- Improves the security of inter-domain routing and augmenting the information published in the APNIC Whois Database

Terminology

Resource holders include:

- Regional Internet Registries (RIRs)
- Local Internet Registries (LIRs)
- Internet Service Providers (ISPs)
- End-user organizations

Internet resources are:

- IPv4 and IPv6 address blocks
- Autonomous System (AS) numbers

Resource Certification Benefits

- Routing information corresponds to properly delegated address resources
- Resource Certification gives resource holders proof that they hold certain resources
- Resource holders can attest to those resources when distributing them

Benefits (Cont.)

Resource users can 'sign' information with a digital signature, which essentially 'freezes' that information

- Any effort to alter that information results in the signature being invalidated
- Only resource holders with a properly delegated 'right of use' can generate a signature

Benefits (cont.)

Routing advertisements are made with the explicit agreement of the current 'right of use' holder of the addresses being advertised.

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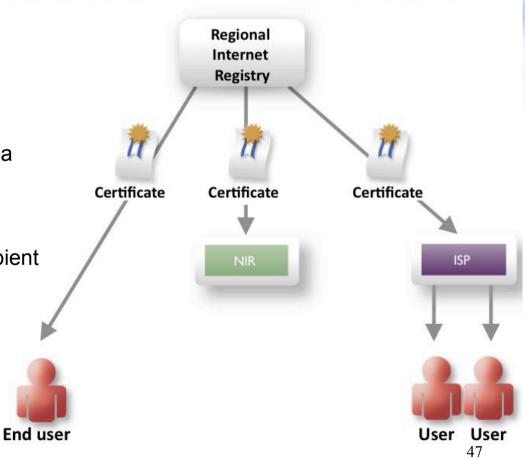
Resource Holder (NRO)

Internet Address Allocation and Resource Certification

APNIC is a "trusted certificate authority", also known as a Trust Anchor

A block of data is signed using a resource holder's private key

The data is verified by the recipient using the signer's public key, traceable through the chain of interlocking certificates back to the Trust Anchor

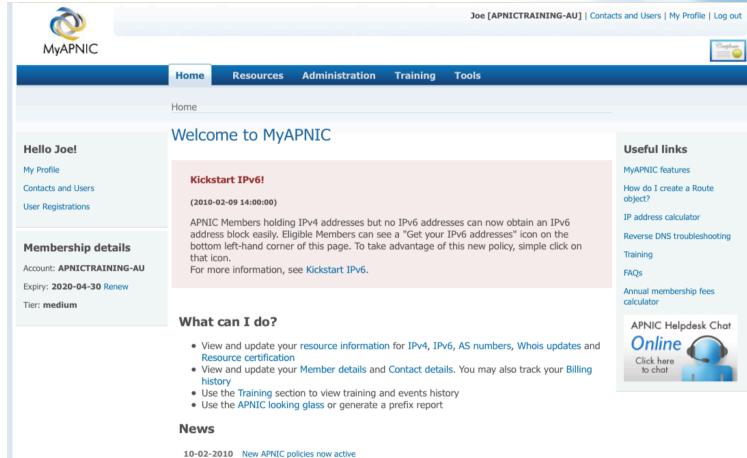




Current Stage of ResCert

- Origin validation code is engineering now, could deploy in next few years but requires production RPKI
- Path validation is still research
- Filter validation is still research

MyAPNIC Home Page



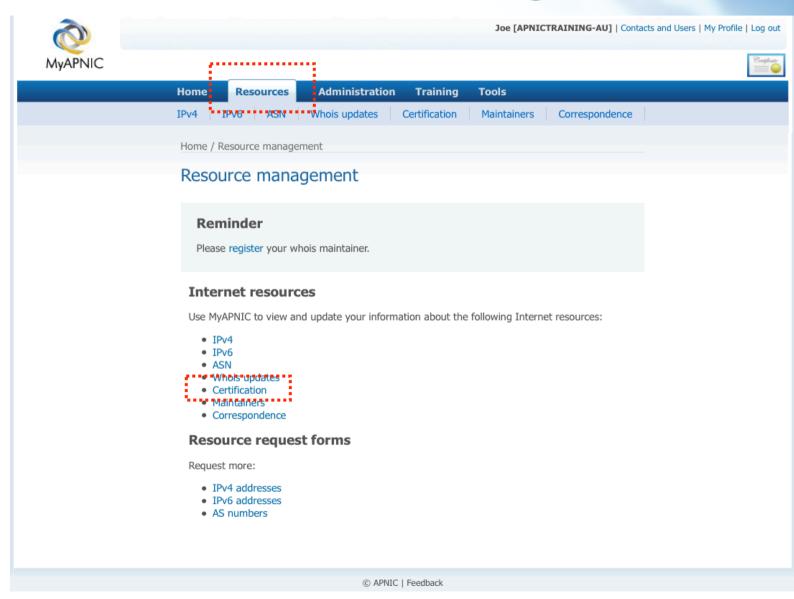
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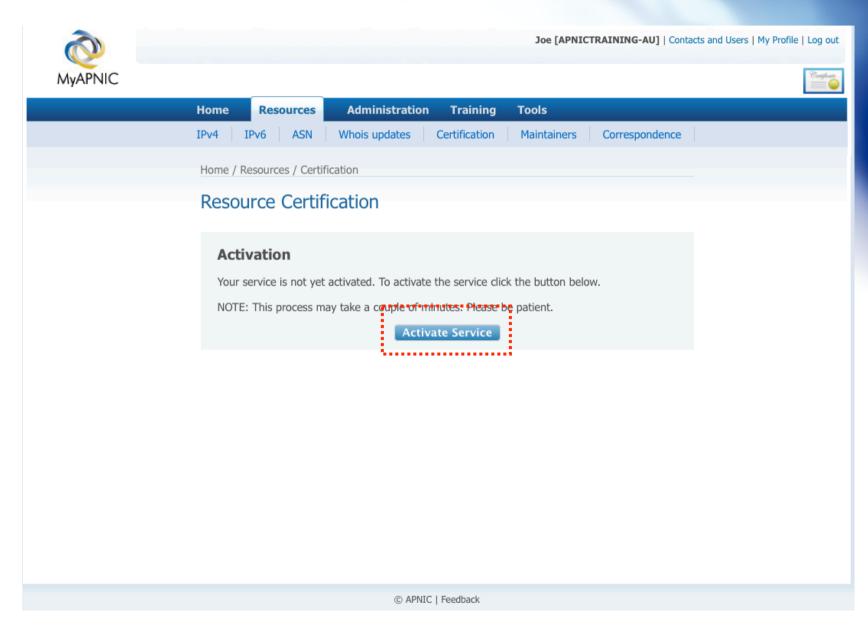
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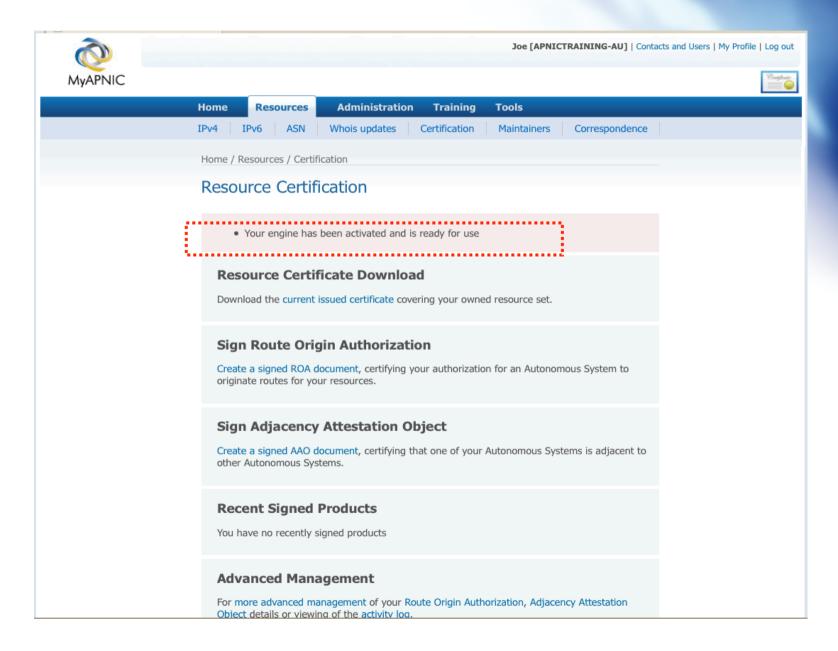
Resources Management



Activate Certification

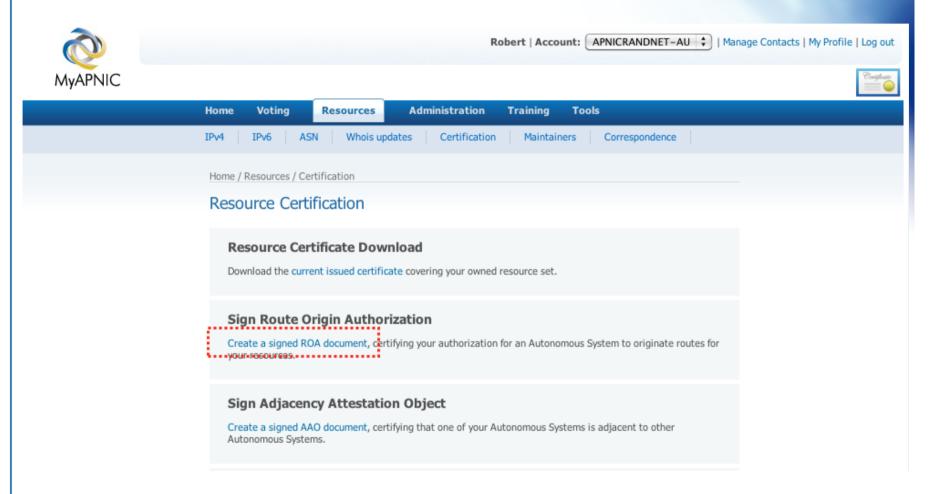


Service Activated





Create Route Origin Authorization





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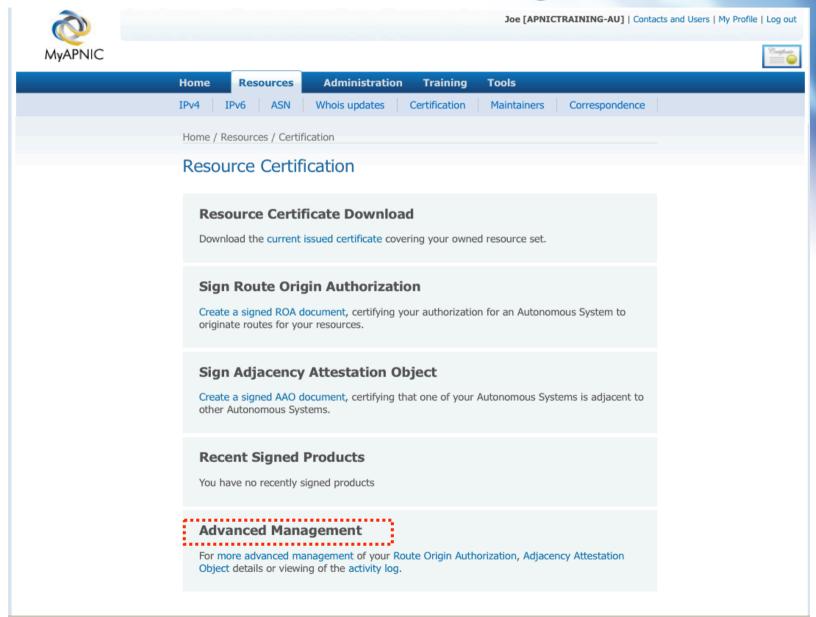
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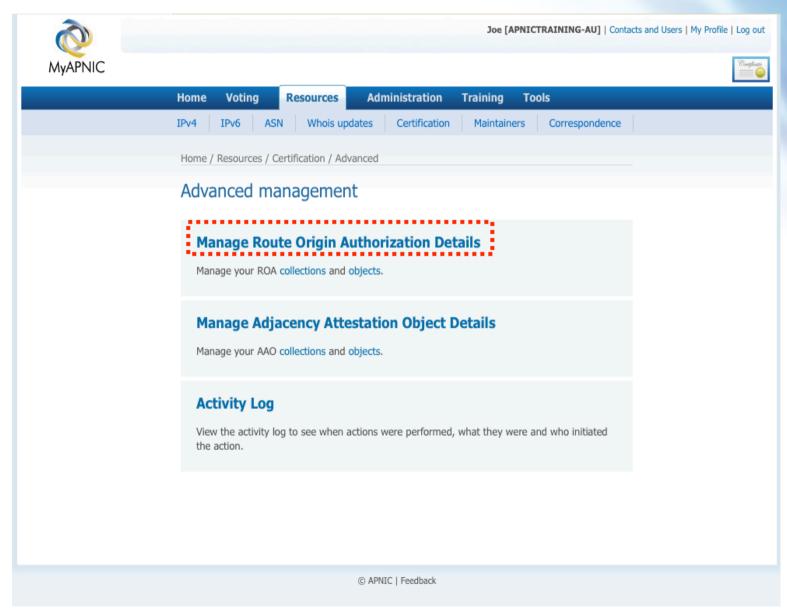
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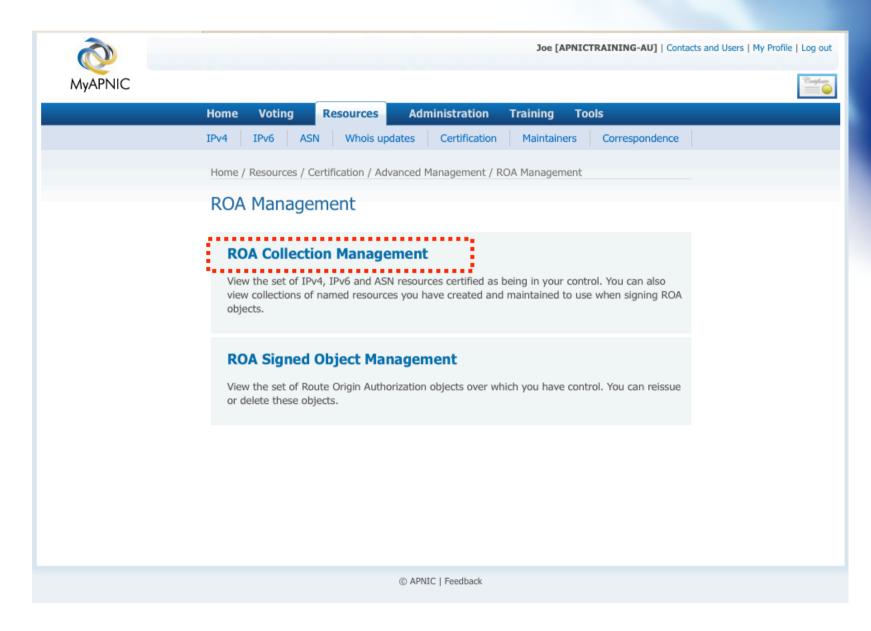
Advanced Management



Route Origin Authorization (ROA)

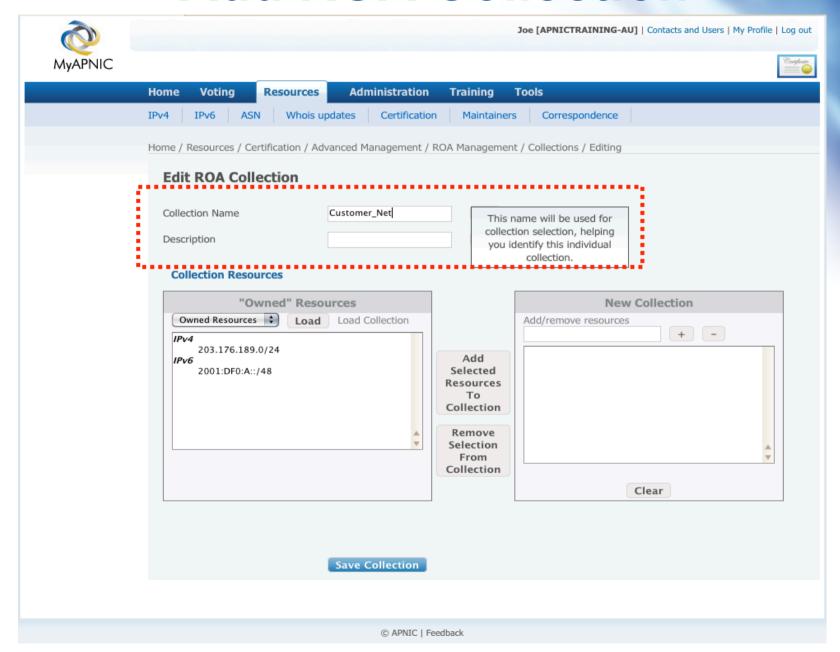


ROA Collection Management





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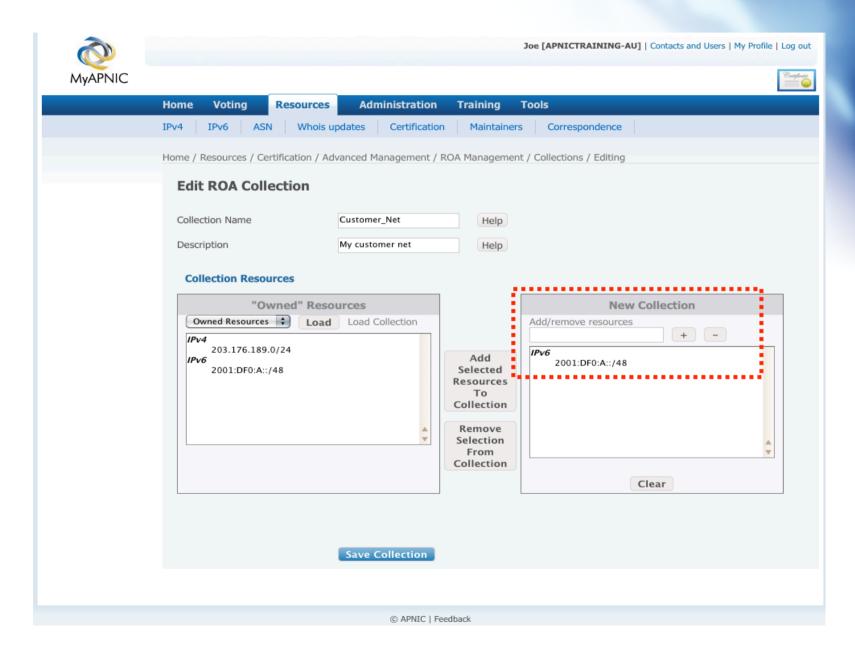


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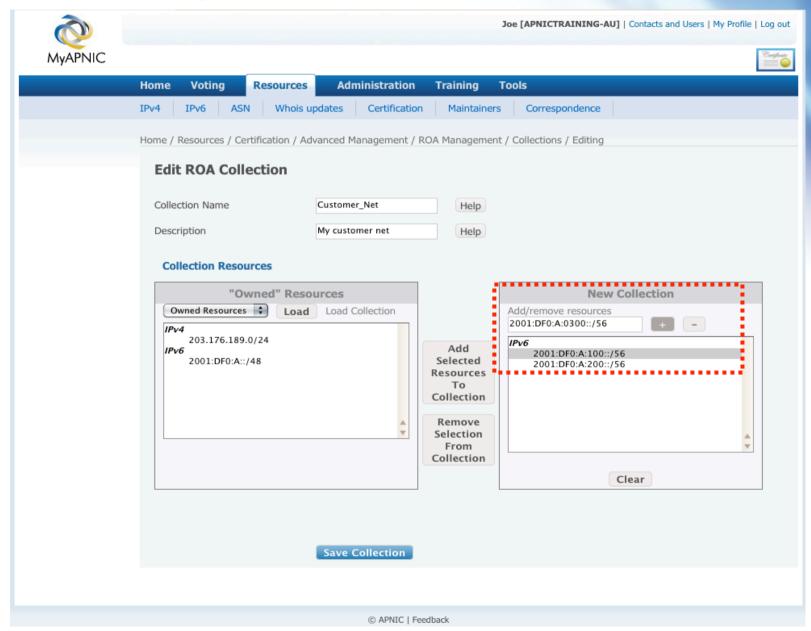
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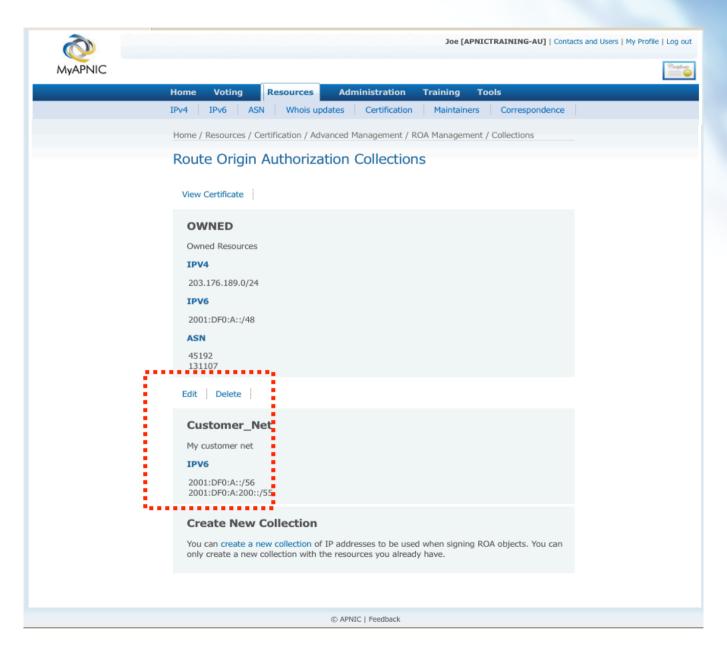
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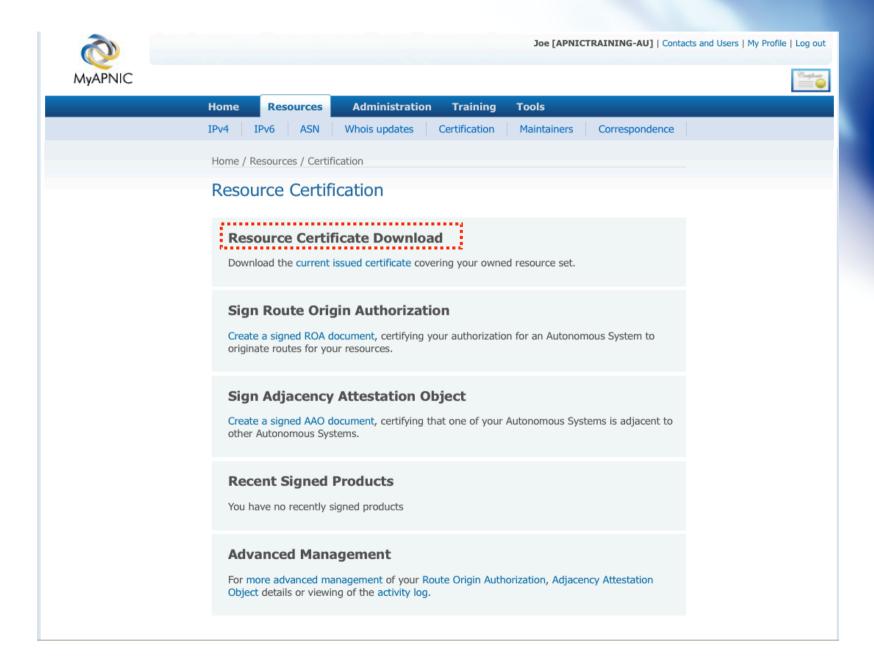
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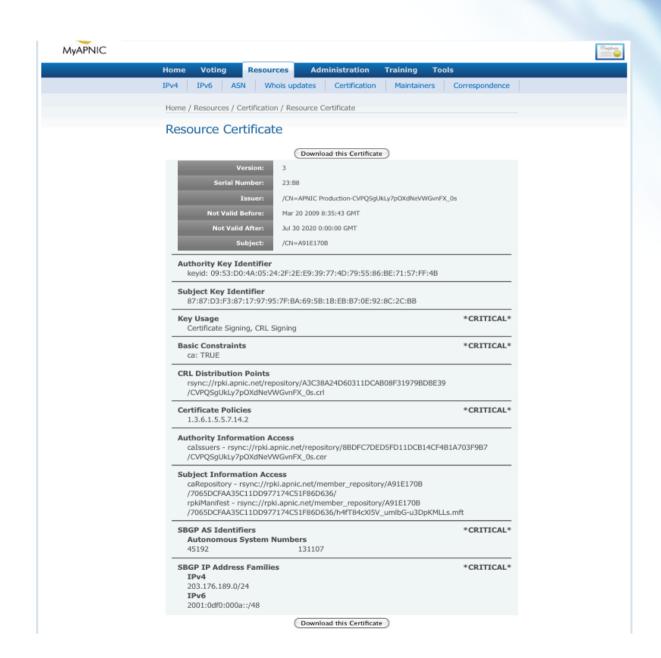
View & Update Collections



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