Founding of NOG.HR

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Background

- Branimir Rajtar
  - Worked for Croatian Telecom for 7 years
  - Co-founder of 5x9 Networks, 2016
  - President of NOG.HR

- 5x9 Networks
  - Core team – 100+ years of experience working in telcos
  - Working on SW-based telco products (NFV)

How it began

- Some people still use IRC ☺

- My colleague was contacted by a friend of Jelena Ćosić, asking if there is any interest in Croatia for starting a NOG

- After a call with Jelena and Vesna Manojlović, we decided to contact colleagues in other companies

Initial meeting

- 14th of April

- Around 15 people from various companies showed up, along with Jelena and Vesna to present RIPE

- Conclusions
  - There is interest to build a community around the Croatian NOG
  - We want to host conferences and therefore we need to start it officially
- Next steps
  - Prepare statute and all relevant papers for registering an association

Founding meeting

- 27th of June

- 11 founders from 9 different companies
  - All major ISPs, Ericsson, Cisco…

- Decided on the name (NOG.HR), statute, leadership and next steps (conference!)

Bureaucracy

- What needs to be done to start a non-profit organization in Croatia?
A lot, and almost nothing can be done online.
And it requires paperwork.

- Register by the Registry of Associations
    - The statute and the documents for founding are reviewed
- Get a stamp
- Get a VAT ID
- Get an identification number (different to the VAT ID)
- Register by the Registry of Real Owners
- Register by the Registry of Non-profit Organizations
- Open a bank account
- Hire an accountant

- Thanks to Sander Steffan for setting up the mailing list and web!

First conference

- Scheduled for the 10th of November at 13:00 (half-day)
- Location – University Computing Centre in Zagreb („Srce")
- Six presentations, 15 minutes each (+ 5 minutes Q&A)

- Donation from RIPE covered expenses
  - thanks to Alastair Strachan for the help!

12:45	Arrival
13:00 - 13.10	Introduction
13:10 - 13:30	Ivan Marić, Srce HRZOO
13:30 - 13:50	Vesna Manojlović, RIPE Killing the Planet with Cat Videos
13:50 - 14:10	Igor Mamuzić, SmartNet SASE != SDWAN
14:30 - 14:50	Break
14:50 - 15:10	Ivana Golub, PSNC RARE
15:10 - 15:30	Jan Žorž IPv6
15:30 - 15:50	Dejan Jakšić, Cisco QUIC

After the first conference

- If all goes well, bi-yearly meetups/conferences
  - Half-day events like the first one
  - Need to create a programme commitee to discuss and choose topics/presenters

- Try to encourage a more active mailing list

Thank you!