How do I get involved?

First off, Membership is NOT required to apply for Internet number resources, participate in ARIN’s Policy Development Process, or attend ARIN meetings. We encourage all interested individuals to learn about ARIN and participate where you find value in doing so.

Attend a Meeting!

ARIN holds two Public Policy and Members Meetings each year that are open and free to anyone. Meetings are held in various locations throughout the ARIN region, providing participants the opportunity to:

- Engage in policy discussions
- Learn about new ARIN services
- Visit the onsite Registration Services desk

Apply for an ARIN Fellowship, all expenses paid. Learn more at: https://www.arin.net/participate/meetings/fellowship.html.

Webcasting and remote participation are also available. Information about future and past meetings is available at https://www.arin.net/participate/meetings.

Voice your opinions & stay informed: Join a mailing list

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the policy development process on the Public Policy Mailing List (arin-ppml@arin.net).

Through the ARIN Announce Mailing List (arin-announce@arin.net) you will learn about ARIN elections, meetings, policy updates, training opportunities, and other ARIN events.

Provide technical feedback to ARIN on your experience in the use or evaluation of current ARIN services and features in development on the ARIN Tech Discuss list (arin-tech-discuss@arin.net).

The members-only ARIN Discussion Mailing List (arin-discuss@arin.net) provides a forum for the member community to discuss ARIN-specific issues such as fee structures and internal policies.

The Consultation Mailing List (arin-consult@arin.net) is used with the ARIN Consultation and Suggestion Process to gather comments, and is only open when there is a call for comments.

Learn about additional lists and subscription and archives information at: https://www.arin.net/participate/mailing_lists.

Connect with ARIN

- http://www.twitter.com/TeamARIN
- http://www.facebook.com/TeamARIN
- http://www.linkedin.com/company/arin
- http://gplus.to/TeamARIN
- http://www.youtube.com/TeamARIN

ARIN provides services related to the technical coordination and management of Internet number resources (IPv4, IPv6, and Autonomous System Numbers) in a region that includes Canada, many Caribbean and North Atlantic islands, and the United States.

ARIN serves the following economies: Anguilla, Antarctica, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, Canada, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Jamaica, Martinique, Montserrat, Saint Barthelemy, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Pierre and Miquelon, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Martin, St. Helena, Turks and Caicos Islands, Virgin Islands (British), United States, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands (US), Bouvet Island, Heard and McDonald Islands.
Promoting IPv6

ARIN actively encourages organizations to deploy IPv6. In addition to exhibiting at industry tradeshows and providing speakers for a variety of events and conferences on the topic of IPv6 adoption and deployment, ARIN provides resources to help you get started with your deployment like our IPv6 Wiki and IPv6 Info Center.

Internet Number Resource Policy Development

ARIN’s Internet number resource policies are documented community decisions that directly determine the rules by which ARIN manages and administers Internet number resources. Through ARIN’s Policy Development Process (PDP), the Internet community develops Internet number resource policies in an open and transparent manner.

Anyone may participate in the process - ARIN membership is NOT required.

Policy proposals may be submitted by anyone in the global Internet community except for members of the ARIN Board of Trustees or the ARIN staff. If your organization disagrees with any current ARIN policy, you may propose a change directly to the community. If enough support is gained for that change, it may become a policy proposal, go through the policy development process, and be incorporated into the ARIN Number Resource Policy Manual. The ARIN Advisory Council and the Board of Trustees play a role in the process.

For more information on ARIN policies and the PDP, visit: www.arin.net/policy/pdp.html

WHO is ARIN?

ARIN consists of:

- The Internet community within its region, including:
  - Internet Service Providers
  - Hosting Providers
  - Enterprise organizations
  - Educational institutions
  - Civil Society
  - Governments and government agencies
  - Any entity with registered IP addresses or Autonomous System numbers within the ARIN region
- A seven-member Board of Trustees (elected by ARIN membership)
- A 15-member Advisory Council (elected by ARIN membership)
- 3 representatives on the 15-member NRO Number Council (community elected)
- A professional staff of approximately 60

Registration Services

Registration Services staff, through email and a telephone help desk, assist customers with all aspects of requesting and managing Internet number resources (IPv4, IPv6, and Autonomous System Numbers), including resource transfers and managing points of contact.

Contact ARIN’s Registration Services Department at 703.227.0660 (between 7AM and 7PM ET) or at hostmaster@ARIN.net

Request Resources: https://www.arin.net/resources/request.html

Technical Services

- Directory services (Whois)
- Routing information
- Reverse DNS services
- Resource management services
- Cryptographic Authentication
- Routing registry service
- Community software repository
- Resource Public Key Infrastructure (RPKI)

ARIN also provides a number of technical services. For more information, visit www.arin.net/resources/services.

Global Internet Community Participation

ARIN is active in the international technical Internet community, attending meetings and contributing to dialogue and the work of organizations such as the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), Internet Society, and the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN). Additionally, ARIN supports operator forums in its region: North American Network Operators Group (NANOG) and the Caribbean Network Operators Group (CaribNOG). See www.arin.net/participate/community for more information.

Internet Governance Participation

ARIN is a member of many international and regional bodies through which it participates in providing technical advice on matters relating to IP addresses and education about the community-based open and transparent policy process utilized by all the RIRs. Together with the other RIRs, ARIN has participated as the Number Resource Organization (NRO) in Internet governance discussion since 2001 at the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS). For additional information on ARIN’s role and how to participate see: https://www.arin.net/participate/governance

Promoting IPv6 Wiki

ARIN IPv6 Wiki
http://www.getipv6.info
IPv6 Information Center
https://www.arin.net/knowledge/v4-v6.html