



# **Aspects of Resource Public Key Infrastructure (RPKI) Deployment**

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# Resource PKI Functionality

- Creates digital certificates which correspond to Internet number resource blocks (The user assigned an IP address block “JKL” has the matching certificate for address block “JKL”)
- Allows use of those certificates to “sign” a routing authorization (The user digitally signs an authorization record that Internet service provider “ABC” may route their address block “JKL”)
- Allows publication in a secure manner of the certificates and the authorization records in a secure & verifiable repository
- Networks which receive routing update may consult with the repository to determine if the actual source network of a routing update is matches an authorization record for that address block.
- Prevents inadvertent and intentional hijacking of a specific users network traffic by unauthorized networks

# Resource PKI Development

- The IETF SIDR working group chartered with RPKI development has produced dozens of Internet Drafts, and all of these have been publicly available for review and comment
- Providing RPKI certificates is an \*optional\* service which the RIR community has been working on because service providers and users desire the resulting functionality
- RPKI provides the same type of data as today's WHOIS and the routing registries, only with a higher degree of credibility
- RPKI deployment occurs when users start certifying the service providers that can route their addresses, and service providers begin using it to verify routes received by other service providers
- Service providers already prioritize, weight, and filter the routing information they receive to assemble the most reliable routing possible; RPKI simply provides another tool for this purpose