Deploying IPv6 & services

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Overview

- What to achieve ?
- Before to deploy anything ...
 - Check list
- Services configuration
- Conclusion & recommendations



Introduction

- Deploy or not IPv6 ?
 - That's not a must
 - Some companies won't be concerned (?)
 - What are the reasons and the goals to configure IPv6
 - Address space needs, end-to-end connectivity, experiments,
 ...
 - Define "your" strategy
 - Depending on your goals, the nature of the organization / company and its background ...



What steps to complete?

- Prerequisites
 - Understand -a bit- IPv6 protocols
 - Answer the following questions
 - Why?
 - For who?
 - With who and what?
 - Propose a strategy for the company
 - What services for what users/customers?
 - Communicate on your project inside the company
 - Plan the training for the staff



- Preliminaries
 - Inventory
 - Equipments
 - Applications/services
 - Staff
 - Design the network
 - Choose a topology (BB, access)
 - Take into account the existing situation,
 - The services to install



- Technical
 - Create an addressing plan
 - LIR / ISP?
 - Where to get a prefix block?
 - Who to provide address blocks?
 - Forsee possible evolutions
 - Think prefix aggregation
 - Static addresses vs auto-configuration



- Technical ...
 - What about the routing plan?
 - IGP & EGP
 - routing policy
 - In the BB, with the users, with external peers



- IPv4/IPv6 coexistence
 - What needs?
 - Servers, customers?
 - Which mechs choose?
 - Encapsulation
 - Static vs dynamic tunnels
 - MPLS
 - Header translation
 - ..



- Security
 - Revisit the existing security design
 - Apply the same policy for both versions of IP
 - Ipv6 filtering # ipv4 filtering
 - Don't weaken the ipv4 network when configuring IPv6
 - Security tools & logs



- Managing the ipv6 network
 - Install/configure a couple of tools
 - Or tune the existing tools to be ipv6 capable
 - Control IPv6 traffic, check network equipment

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- Configure ipv6 on the servers
 - Network services
 - DNS (starting point ?)
 - HTTP, SMTP, ...
 - Users services
- Run tests!



- First start
 - Pilote phase with volonteers or clever users
 - Add your NOC in this test phase
 - Log and control all events
 - How long this phase should last?
 - Depends on the kind of the tests, the users demand ...



- Last tunings
 - Revisit steps 1 to 9
 - Adjust security policy
 - Add more/tune the network monitoring tools
 - Register the IP resources to your RIR
 - Schedule when to start the production service
- Write down your march to IPv6
 - Publish it



Conclusion ...

- ... & recommendations
 - Get a clear idea of your goals/objectives
 - Make an inventory of existing/missing means
 - Progress step-by-step
 - Take notes of every step
 - Schedule tests then pilote phase ...
 - Find a way to share your experience



Questions?

