

# AbuseHUB: Ramping Up the Fight against Botnets in the Netherlands

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# IDN

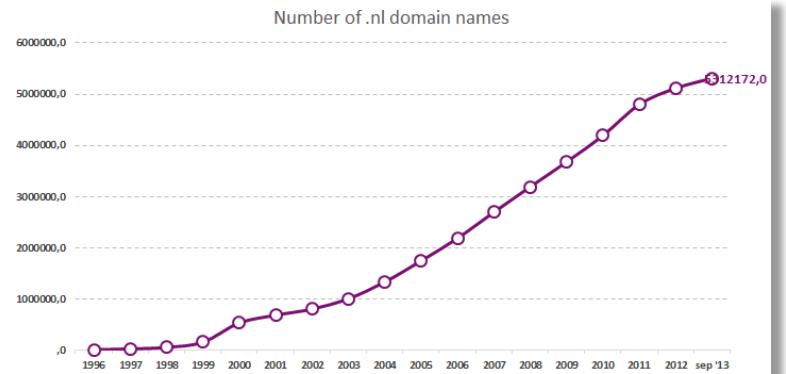
Registry for the Netherlands (.nl)

5.2M domain names, 1.600 registrars

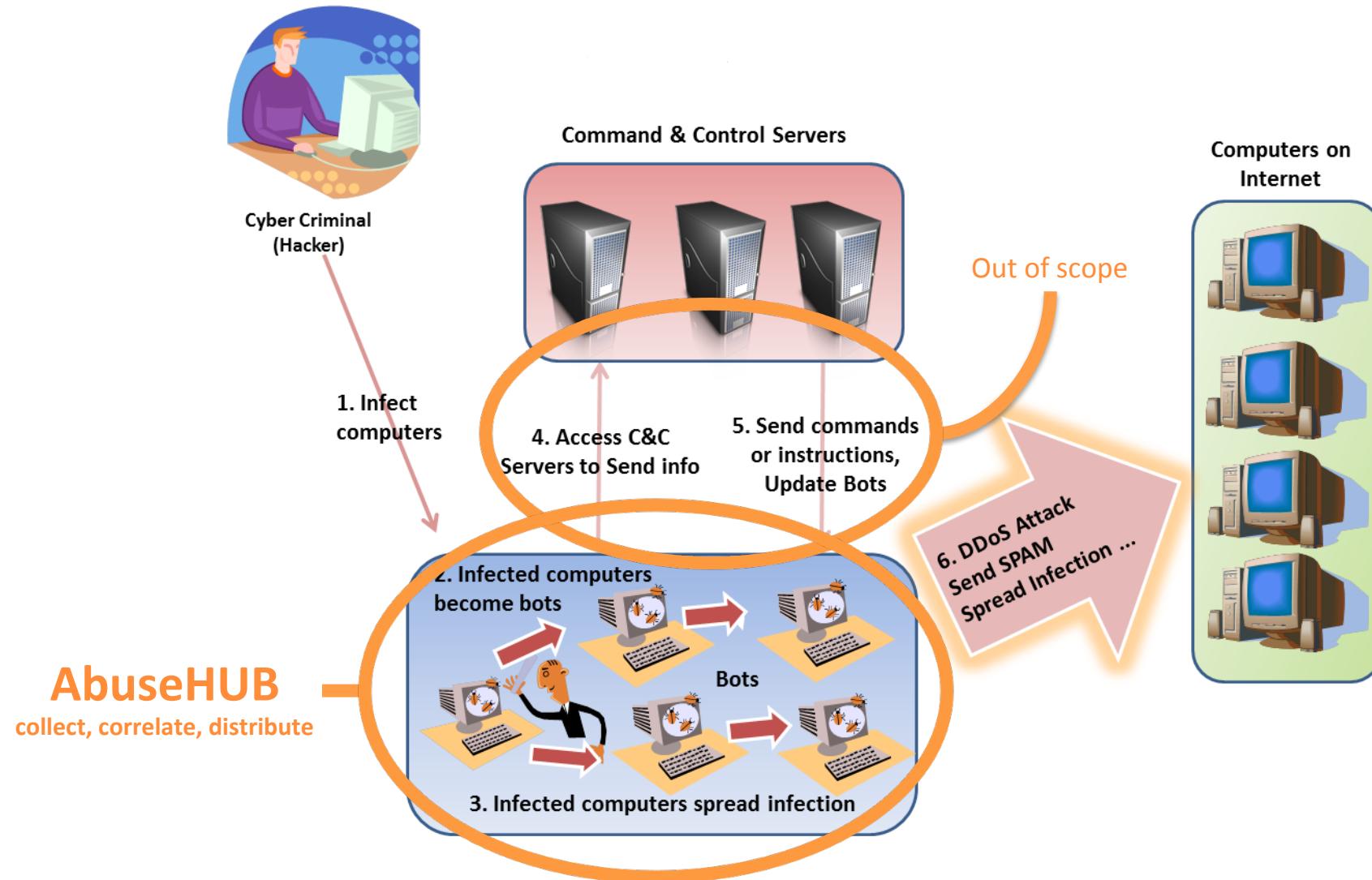
Largest DNSSEC zone in the world (1.5M signed)



RSP for .amsterdam (capital)



# Botnet Infections



Source: <http://pineut.wordpress.com/2013/04/13/botnet-aanval-op-wordpress-com/>



# Abuse Information Exchange

Legal entity (association) that manages AbuseHUB

Open cross-industry collaboration for ISPs, ccTLDs, hosting providers, and other infrastructure providers

Goal: improve fight against botnets in the Netherlands through a national information hub

Targeted impact: further increased internet security and internet usage

# Members



90% of fixed access market | 70% of domain name market



With financial support from:



Ministerie van Economische Zaken



# otnets from a Users' Perspective



RTL News (Netherlands)  
Sep 11, 2013  
XS4ALL = ISP

# Abuse Desk (XS4ALL)



zeroaccess  
**100**

User XS4C000 :213.84.

Source	Timestamp	Confidence	IP Address	Description
Shadowserver	12 Nov 2013 09:25	100%	213.84	
Shadowserver	11 Nov 2013 14:30	100%	213.84	

Network Risk  
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Source	Timestamp	Confidence	IP Address	Description
Qdetect - DNS	12 Nov 2013 17:21	30%	213.84	Host firstrun.real.com seen in connections from malware
Qdetect - DNS	12 Nov 2013 17:21	30%	213.84	Host d.adapd.com seen in connections from malware
Qdetect - DNS	12 Nov 2013 12:36	30%	213.84	Host dtrack.secdls.com seen in connections from malware

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zeroaccess  
**100**

User XS4C000 :80.126.

Source	Timestamp	Confidence	IP Address	Description
Shadowserver	12 Nov 2013 15:24	100%	80.126	
Shadowserver	05 Nov 2013 15:23	100%	80.126	
Shadowserver	09 Nov 2013 14:45	100%	80.126	

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Adware  
**45**

Source	Timestamp	Confidence	IP Address	Description
Qdetect - DNS	13 Nov 2013 15:05	30%	80.126	Host usage.toolbar.conduit-services.com seen in connections from adware
Qdetect - DNS	13 Nov 2013 08:46	30%	80.126	Host usage.toolbar.conduit-services.com seen in connections from adware
Qdetect - DNS	12 Nov 2013 15:23	30%	80.126	Host usage.toolbar.conduit-services.com seen in connections from adware

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# Warning Page



**XS4ALL** meer internet.

► English ► Nederlands

## XS4ALL heeft een besmetting vastgesteld in uw netwerk

**Type besmetting:** ZeroAccess

**Risico:** Biedt een derde volledig toegang tot uw systeem en installeert andere vormen van schadelijke software op het systeem.

### Uw internettoegang is geblokkeerd

ZeroAccess is een ernstige besmetting. Daarom is uw internettoegang afgesloten totdat het probleem is opgelost. We hopen op uw begrip hiervoor. Voer onderstaand stappenplan uit om het probleem op te lossen en uw internetverbinding te herstellen.

### Wat moet u doen?

Scan alle Windows -computers en -laptops met de volgende twee gratis scanners:

1. [ESET Free Online Scanner](#)
2. [McAfee Rootkit Remover](#). Voor instructies met betrekking tot het gebruik hiervan [klik hier](#).

3. Als u ZeroAccess heeft verwijderd kunt u eenmalig zelf uw internetverbinding herstellen door onderstaande stap 'herstel internetverbinding' uit te voeren.  
Hebt u deze stap al eerder gebruikt? Neem dan contact op met het Abuse Centre via het onderstaand contactformulier.

### Herstel internetverbinding

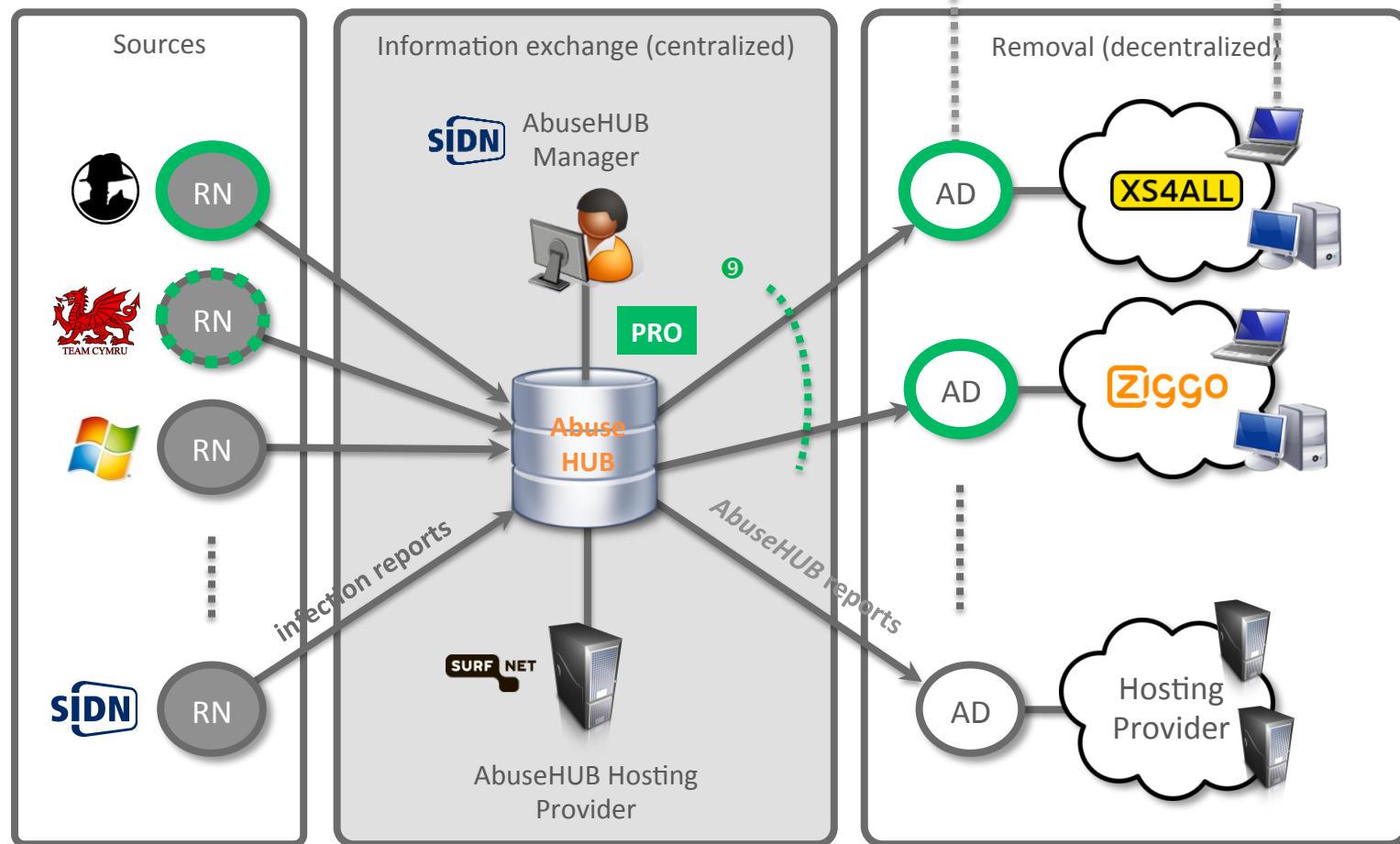
Let op: Voer deze stap alleen uit nadat u eerst bovenstaande stappen hebt uitgevoerd! Anders kan uw verbinding nog een keer afgesloten worden en moet u wachten tot het Abuse Centre u verder kan helpen. Met 'herstel internetverbinding' kunt u eenmalig zelf uw netwerkverbinding herstellen.

Ik heb alle bovenstaande stappen uitgevoerd. Ik wil nu gebruik maken van '[herstel internetverbinding](#)'.

# AbuseHUB: Under the Hood



1.419.732 reports (~13.000/day)  
Jul 4-Oct 21 (PoC)



# Added Value

Stakeholder	Expected Impact
Internet users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safer and more stable internet experience</li><li>• Shorter quarantine periods</li></ul>
Members (ISPs and hosting providers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reduced costs (fewer notifiers to manage)</li><li>• Increased effectiveness through correlation</li><li>• Increased scale and level of automation</li><li>• Competitive advantage</li></ul>
Reliable notifiers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increased efficiency through one-stop-shop</li><li>• SIDN: new tool to fight DNS botnets</li></ul>
Ministry of Economic Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New tool against cybercrime</li><li>• Contributes to economic growth in the Netherlands</li><li>• Self-regulating initiative</li><li>• Sets an example within the EU and elsewhere</li></ul>
Research institutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Improved botnet research based on anonymous data</li></ul>

# Why Does SIDN Participate?

Increased value of local internet through increased security

Strengthens self-regulation of the Dutch internet industry

New collaborative tool to fight DNS botnets in a collaborative way (as reliable notifier)

Further improve relations with other industries such as ISPs

Extends our expertise on abuse handling

# IDN's Contribution

ccTLD that enables a safer internet for the local internet community

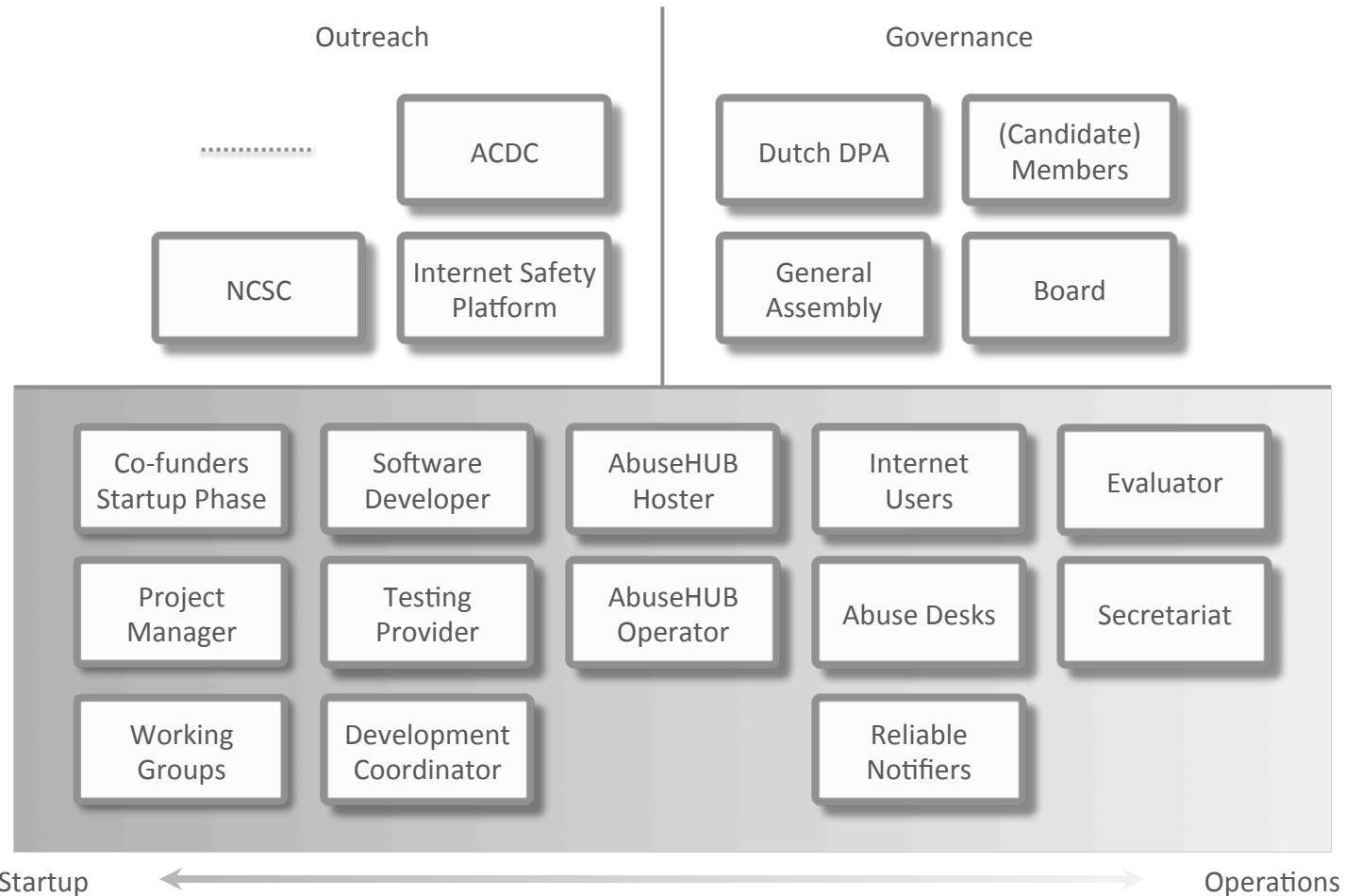
Co-funder of development phase

- Together with the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs
- Emphasizing an open and cross-industry approach with ISPs, hosting providers, and others

Active participation in operational phase

- Roles: notifier of DNS abuse, AbuseHUB operator, and receiver of AbuseHUB reports (member)
- Board seat (treasurer)

# cosystem



# Past, Present, Future

Month	Milestone
Apr 2012	SIDN decides to cofund the initiative
Jul 2012	Business plan approved by founding members
Jul 2012	Established: the Association Abuse Information Exchange
Aug 2012	Ministry of Economic Affairs decides to cofund
Jul 2013	Proof-of-concept live (using “AIRT”)
Jul 2013	Contracted software development company (iBuildings)
Jul 2013	Kick-off software development phase
Oct 2013	Production-like testing
Nov 2013	AbuseHUB version 1 in production (Nov 14)
Dec 2013	Addition of second reliable notifier
Dec 2013	Addition of two new members
Mar 2014	AbuseHUB version 2 in production (correlation)
Q2 2014	Support for users to de-infect themselves, in collaboration

Preparation      Development      Growth

# Questions?

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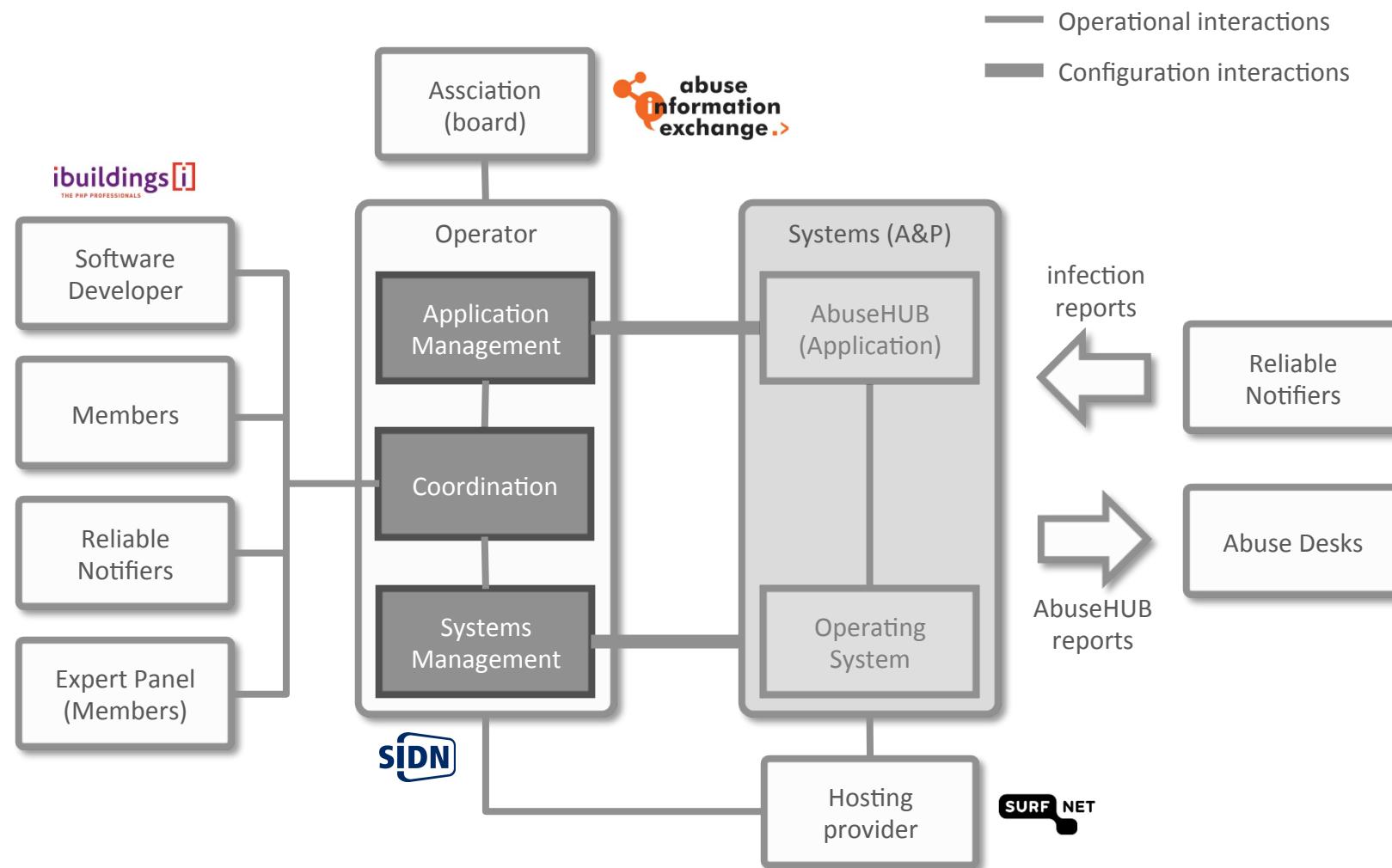
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[www.sidnlabs.nl](http://www.sidnlabs.nl)

[www.abuseinformationexchange.nl](http://www.abuseinformationexchange.nl)



# abuseHUB Operator



## buseHUB Control Panel

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Organisations

## Constituencies

Overview of organisations with one or more Constituencies. A Reliable Notifier is a reliable third party system that supplies abuse reports.

Name	Description
KPN	KPN
IDN	Stichting Internet Domeinregistratie Nederland
Solcon	Solcon
SURFnet	SURFnet
Tele2	Tele2
test	test
UPC	UPC NL
S4ALL	XS4ALL
ZeelandNet	ZeelandNet
Ziggo	Ziggo

[Add a new Organisation](#)

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## Reliable Notifiers

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Name	Description
AOL	AOL Inc. is a multinational mass media corporation based in New York City.
KPN	KPN
Microsoft	Microsoft Corporation is an American multinational software corporation products and services related to computing.
Team Cymru Research NFP	Team Cymru Research NFP is a specialized internet security research firm and eradicate problems in their networks, providing insight that improves network security.
test	test
The Shadowserver Foundation	Established in 2004, The Shadowserver Foundation gathers intelligence on cyber threats. Its mission is to understand and help put a stop to high stakes cybercrime.

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Application settings

## Application settings

Retention days  Number of days after which an incident will be deleted.

Timezone

[Save](#)

Organisations ASN2IP Reports Users Application Settings

- system that supplies abuse reports.
- that develops, grows, and invests in brands and web sites.
- headquartered in Redmond, Washington that develops, manufactures, licenses, and supports a wide range of
- and 501(c)3 non-profit dedicated to making the Internet more secure. Team Cymru helps organizations identify

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ASN2IP

## ASN to IP range

Organisations  
ASN2IP  
Reports  
Users  
Application Settings

Overview of the lookup database for ASN to an IP range.

Last updated: 14 20 15 08-10-2013

Add a new ASN2IP record

ASN	IPv4 or IPv6 address	Search			
Override Status	ASN	IP start	IP end	CIDR prefix	
original	15169	1.0.0.0	1.0.0.255	24	
original	56203	1.0.4.0	1.0.4.255	24	
original	56203	1.0.5.0	1.0.5.255	24	
original	56203	1.0.6.0	1.0.6.255	24	
original	56203	1.0.7.0	1.0.7.255	24	