

STORY OF THE UK IPV6 COUNCIL

CESNET IPv6 Workshop @ Zoom
6 June 2022



UK COUNCIL

IPv6 SITUATION IN THE UK – PRE-2014

IPv6 traffic level at **0.07%** in June 2012

- Global at ~0.62% - [Google IPv6 Stats](#)

None of the major ISPs announced plans for IPv6 rollout

6UK, a UK based IPv6 task force, disbanded in autumn 2012

But! Customers were interested in IPv6 knowledge

The country-wide situation needed to change

- Latif Ladid, IPv6 Forum, with Peter Kirstein, University College London, approached me at V6 World Congress in Paris, March 2014



UK IPV6 COUNCIL — FOUNDED IN APRIL 2014

Local chapter of [IPv6 Forum](#), a Technology User Group

Vision

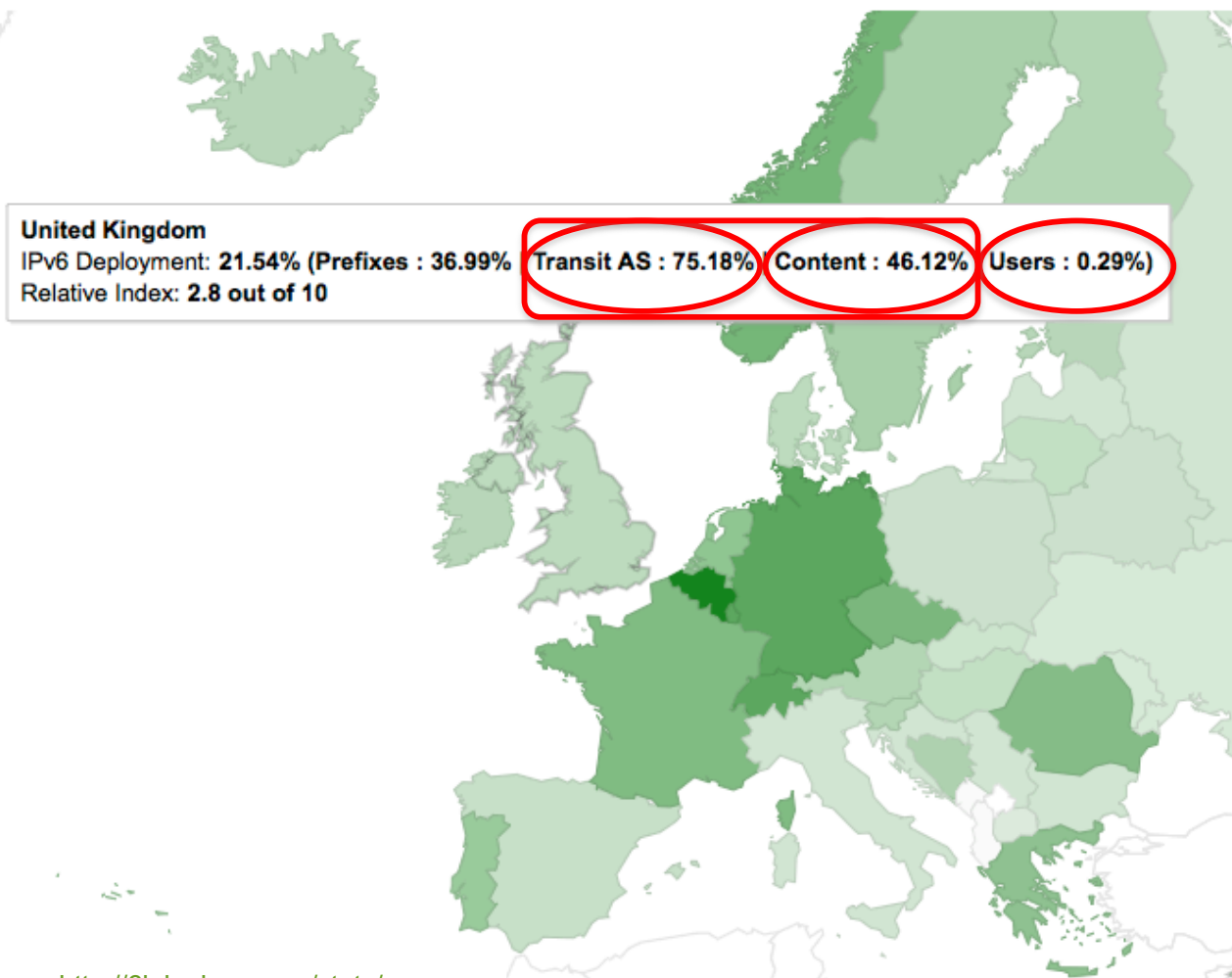
Create an environment for technical and business people from all industries/public sector/SP/academia to enable:

- Sharing of experience with IPv6 deployments
- Dialog and create a community

Work with other organisations in the UK and abroad, to make UK IPv6 activities visible in the UK and at an international level

- We regularly invite international speakers to our events

UK IPV6 ADOPTION – OCTOBER 2014



Source: <http://6lab.cisco.com/stats/>

UK IPV6 COUNCIL – ORGANISATION

Core Team – provides topics and organizes events

- [Current members](#)

Membership and communication: [UK IPv6 Council LinkedIn Group](#)

Website: www.ipv6.org.uk

- All content is published
- IPv6-only hosted by [Mythic Beasts](#) (UK)

Video recordings: [UK IPv6 Council YouTube Channel](#)

HOW WE RUN OUR “BUSINESS”

1 annual meeting per year

- Full day event, location London (and/or Zoom)

2-3 roundtables per year

- Discussion-focused afternoon for a small group of people (max 20 in-person attendance)

1 themed workshop per year

- Application development, Security, Transition technologies, Cloud

We are a Technology User Group = no budget, no legal entity

- Independence & limitations

All events are FREE and need location sponsorship

All presentations are in English (our advantage 😊)

HOW WE MEASURE OUR SUCCESS

Growth of IPv6 traffic in the UK

> 750 members

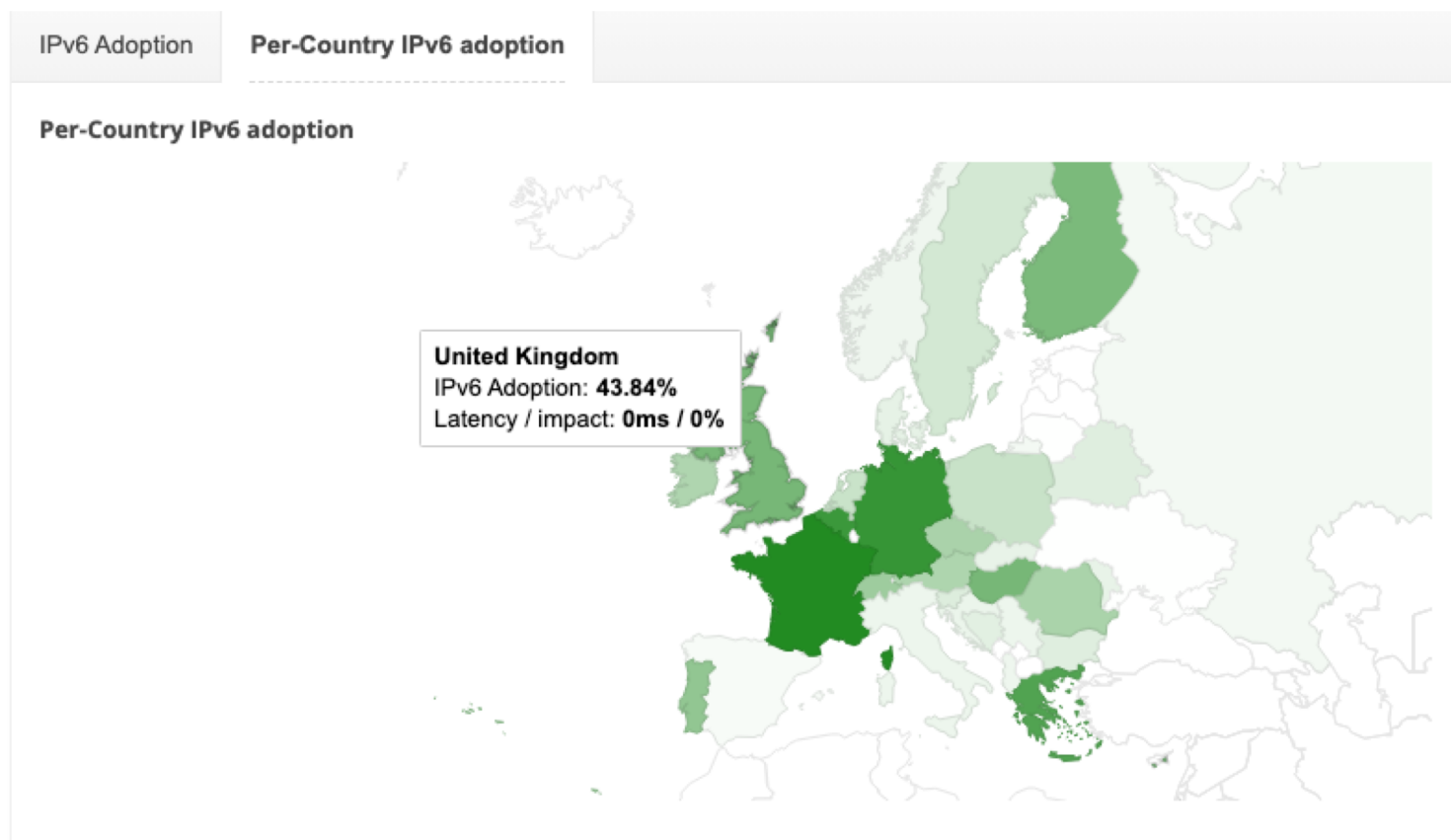
Event attendance

Organisations get inspired and deploy IPv6(-only)

- Athlone Institute of Technology [IPv6-only Wifi for students](#) (2020 Annual meeting)

International Awards

UK IPV6 ADOPTION – JUNE 2022



Source: [Google IPv6 Statistics](#)

UK IPV6 STATISTICS – JUNE 2022

Google – 43.84% (33.21% in June '21)

APNIC – 38.51% (35.85% in June '21)

Facebook – 40.00% (36.06% in June '21)

IPv6 AWARDS

Jim Bound Awards

- UK companies awarded since 2016 ([Sky UK](#) were the first)



IPv6 Hall of Fame Awards

- Recognition of individual contributors (started in 2018)



IPv6 Lifetime Achievement Award (2019)

- Professor Peter Kirstein (UCL)

Awards drive interest and show appreciation of the effort

[List of awardees](#)

IPv6 TASK FORCES/COUNCILS AROUND THE WORLD

UK IPv6 Council modeled on [Belgian IPv6 Council](#) (Technology User Group)

[Swiss IPv6 Council](#) (paid membership)

USA – not a central task force, but a collection of local task forces (Rocky Mountain, California, Texas IPv6 Task Force)

[IPv6 Council Italia](#) founded in autumn 2021

- Founding member Sky Italia (thanks to Sky UK)

Many active IPv6 task forces around the world (Asia, Africa and South America)

Common goal – increase IPv6 adoption

♥ & deploy IPv6