



Razorback eDonkey servers offline

On BREIN's notice the last of the Razorback servers has been taken down by its Dutch hosting provider. Other Dutch hosting providers had taken down Razorback 3.0, Razorback 3.2 and Razorback 3.3. The Razorback servers were important for the support of the p2p file sharing network eDonkey. Razorback 3.1 was the largest remaining edonkey server, servicing around 350.000 users. The majority of the available files on the servers was distributed without permission of the copyright holders.

The Dutch Hosting Provider took the server offline after they sent the BREIN notice to their customer and the customer refused to respond. BREIN demanded that the server be made inaccessible because of the structural access to illegal content it provided.

Last year the Big Bang servers went offline after a BREIN notice. Together with enforcement operations in Germany the number of eDonkey users decreased from around 5 to 3 million users.

Many of the anonymously operating illegal eDonkey servers moved to the Netherlands after they were taken offline by their foreign hosting providers. BREIN is trying to remove these servers from the Netherlands. The Dutch hosting providers Euroaccess and Ecatel are the last remaining service providers who allow illegal eDonkey servers on their network. BREIN will not hesitate to take legal actions to close down these servers.

The BREIN foundation enforces against intellectual property theft on behalf of right holders of motion pictures, TV series, music, video, computer and console games, interactive software, ebooks and audiobooks. The majority of the titles shared through these kind of servers belong to these right holders.
