

Reaching R&E world-wide: Global Network Architecture



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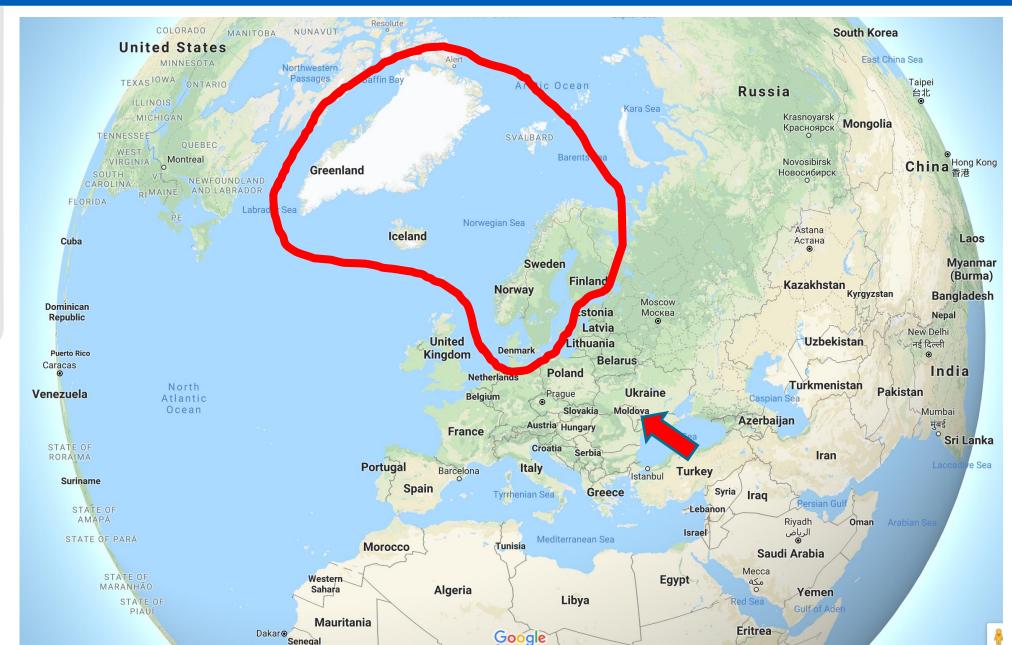
Topics

- About NORDUnet
- A few words on global Internet networking
- The Why and History of GNA
- Where are we now with GNA?
- Opportunities & Future steps
- Conclusion
- Q&A





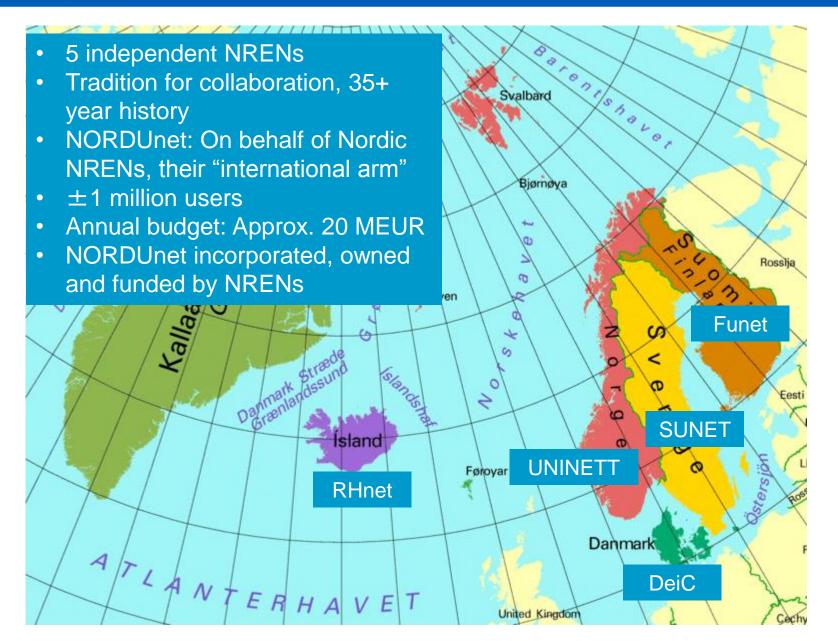
European Nordics







NORDUnet and Nordic NRENs





NORDUnet Services

- NORDUnet provide platform for Regional and Global Collaboration:
 - Interregional Connectivity
 - European Connectivity
 - Global Connectivity
 - State of the Art Tier1 Peering Infrastructure
- NORDUnet provide a range of ICT services:
 - System integration, not "Build from Scratch"
 - Leverage common integration and development
- NRENs Share Network Infrastructure:
 - Avoid duplication of infrastructure
 - Reduce operational cost







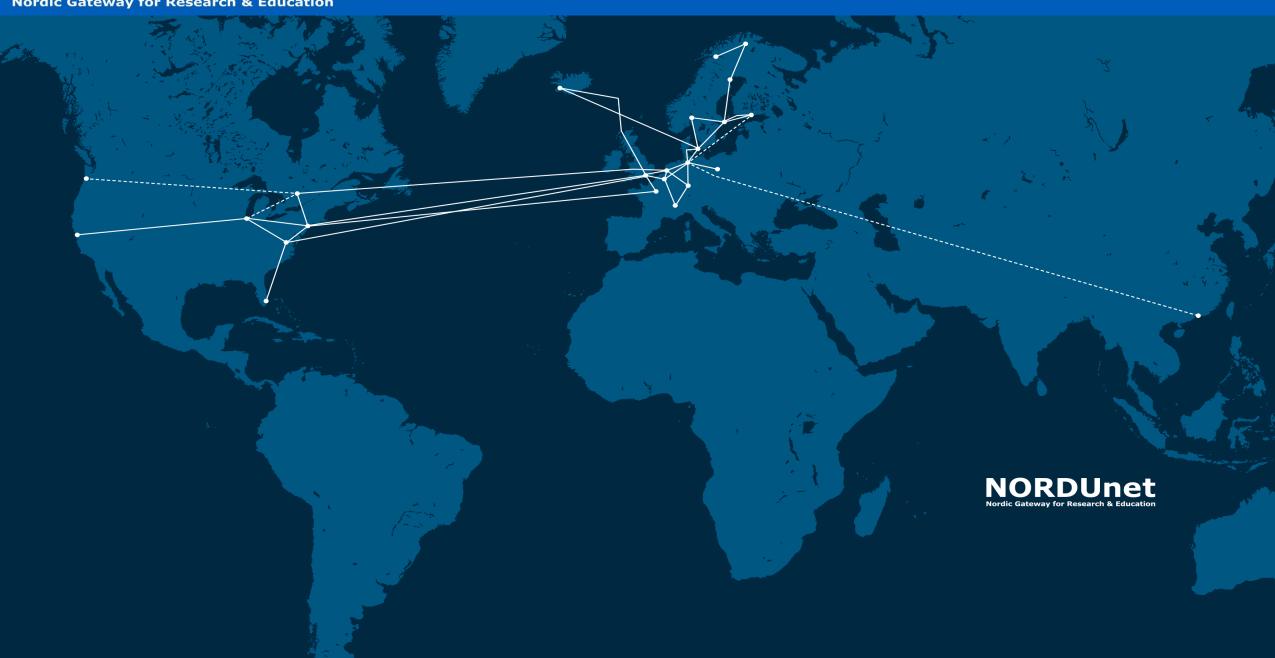


The Nordic Network for R&E 2018





NORDUnet Network 2018





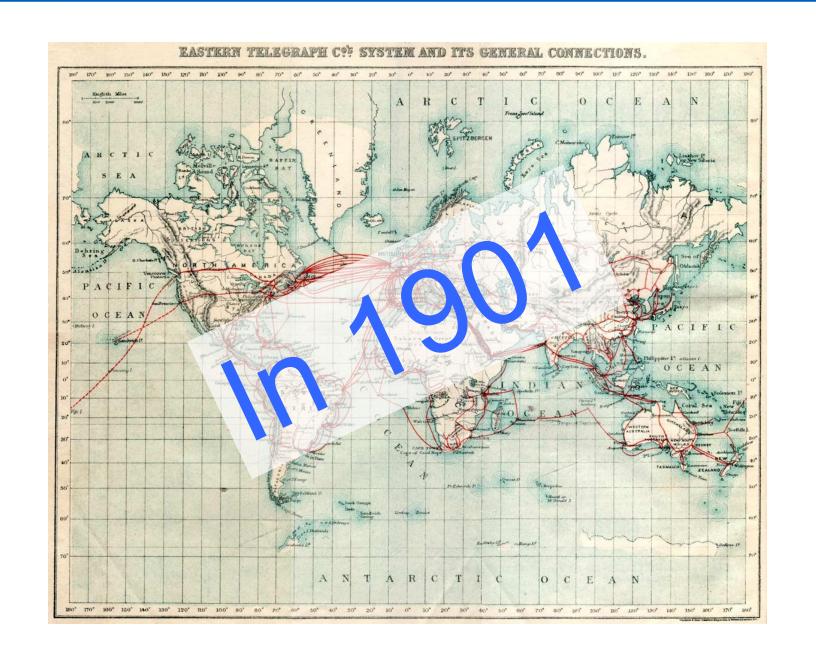
A word on subsea cables:

- Enabling global Internet networking
 - Carrying your and my data





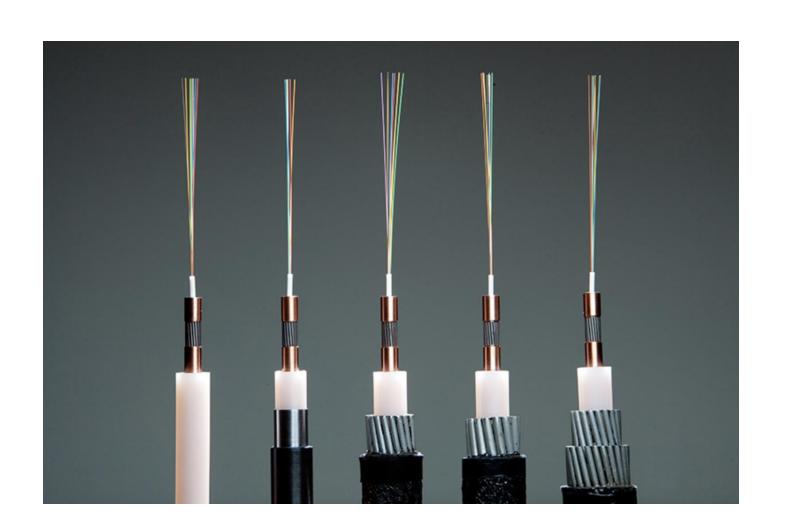
The world's cable systems







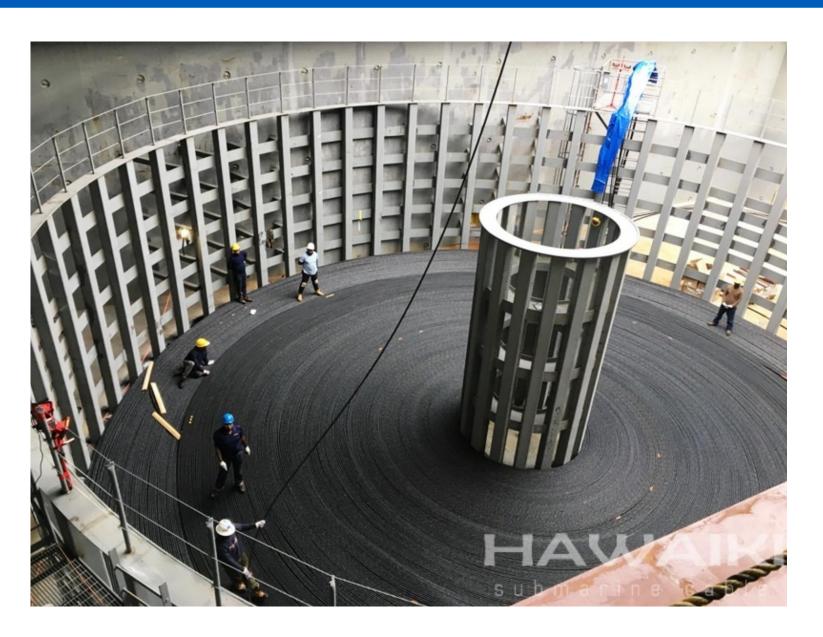
Subsea Cables (1)







Subsea Cables (2)



Source: Hawaiki





Subsea Cables (3)





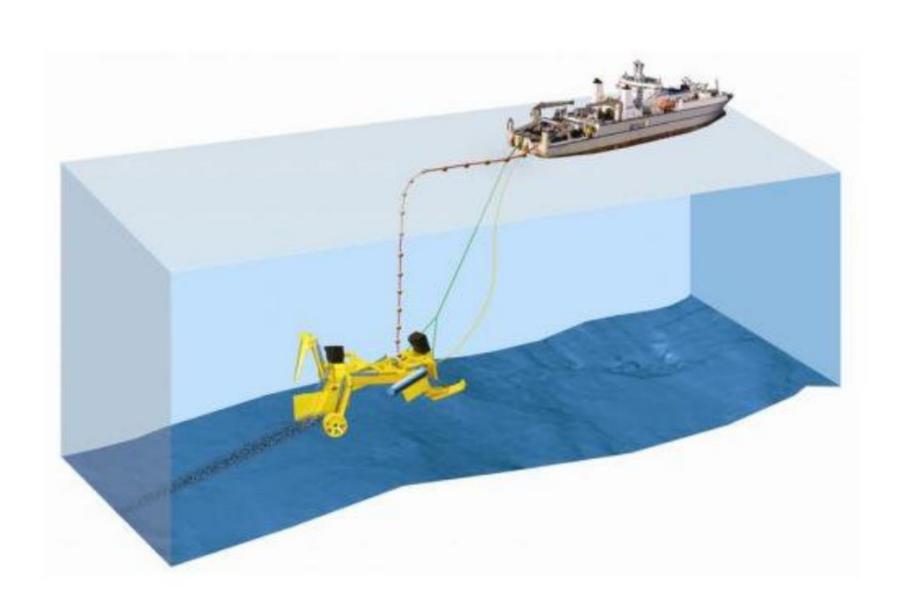


Subsea Cables (4)





Subsea Cables (5)







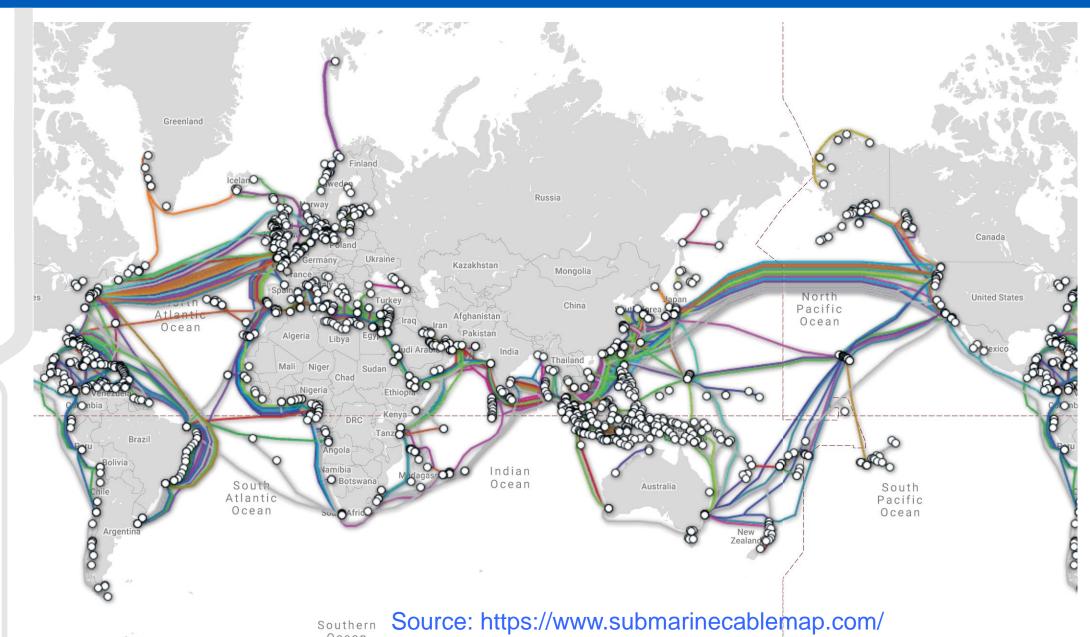
Subsea Cable: FLAG Europe Asia example







Subsea Cable Systems of the World



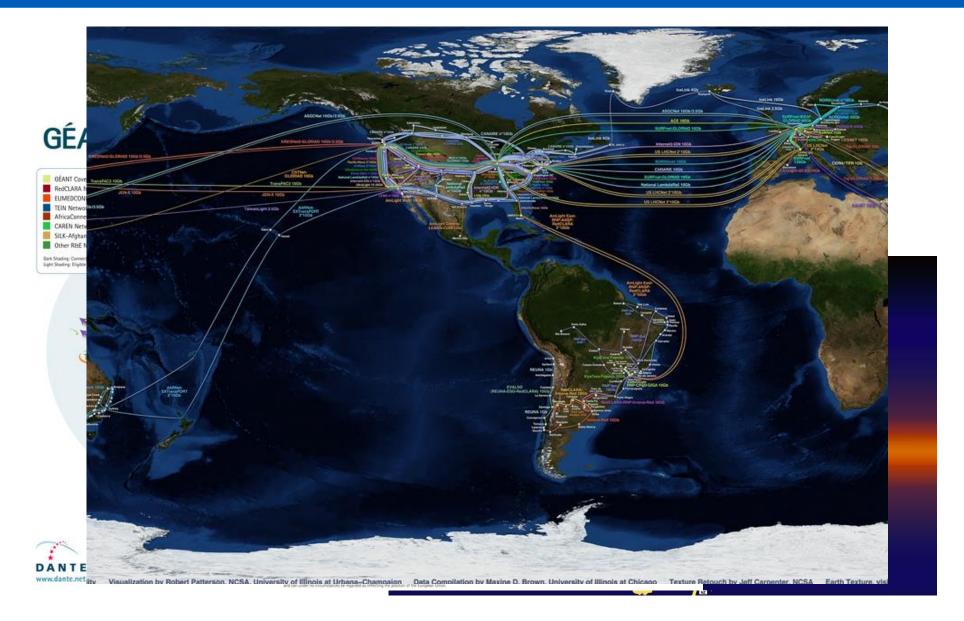


And how does this subsea world apply to R&E Networking?





R&E Global Connectivity







Global R&E Networking

So, can we please add more:

- Coordination
- Collaboration
- "Think Global, Act Local"





The Vision & Mission of GNA

The GNA Vision: Globally Connecting Science, Research & Education

Creating bandwidth and services in support of research and education between R&E Networks on a global scale that is equivalent to that within continents

The GNA Mission:

- Creating an inclusive architecture to increase collaboration and resource sharing between the global R&E community
- Developing a strategic blueprint that R&E Networks can use to align their investments in intercontinental circuits







Acting on the Mission

 Ensure we take network services into production by following the GNA Mission



One of the key parameters: Collaboration





A brief history of GNA

- Starting point of the GNA Technical WG:
 - 2013: White paper by Prof. Jianping Wu (CERNET) and H. David Lambert (Internet2)

- Building on the work of GLIF:
 - Concept of lambda networking
 - Concept of an Open Lightpath Exchange





GNA Building Blocks

- Build on what we know and do already
- Global R&E Exchange Points: GXPs
- Fat pipes between the GXPs:
 - With participant R&E Networks connected to GXPs
- Federated Operations:
 - Collaborating NOCs
- Examples of GXPs in Europe:
 - Helsinki: NOX-HEL
 - Amsterdam: NetherLight
 - London: GÉANT Open London





GNA Technical WG: Results thus far

- Six Reference Architecture v1.0 documents
- Three White Papers
- Phase I Compliant infrastructure
- Instrumentation
- Maintained website





Advanced North Atlantic Collaboration

- 2012: 25+ individual 10Gs across the Atlantic
- 2012: Challenging the subsea market for 100 Gbit/s
- 2013: ANA-100G Pilot link up and running
- 2014: Resilience: Ring @ 100G
- 2014: ESnet mutual backup, NORDUnet production
- 2016: ANA-300G
- 2017: NEAAR added: 400G (+ESnet's 400G)





ANA-300G today: Pathfinding for GNA









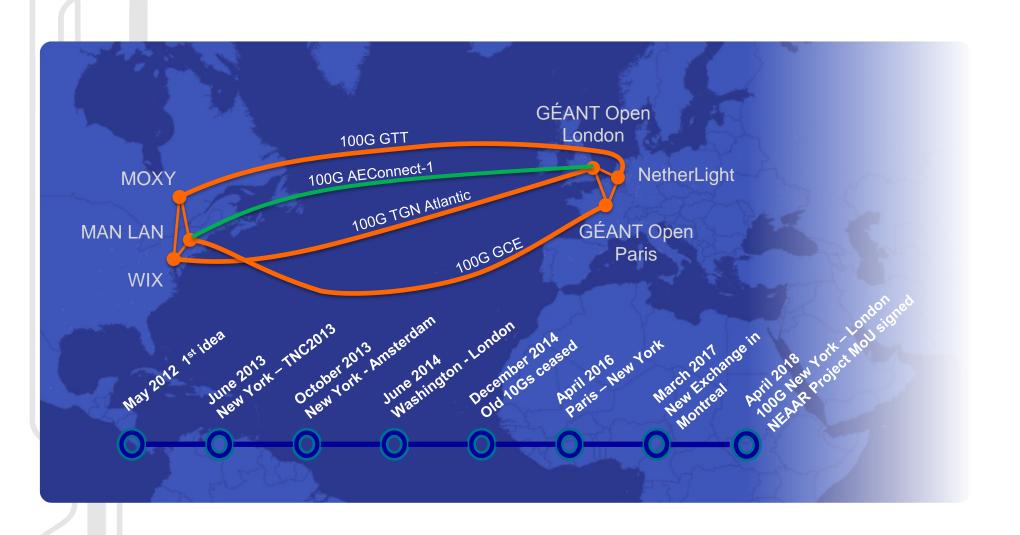








ANA-300G + NEAAR = 400G R&E bandwidth















Mutual back-up with







Collaboration with ESnet & NEAAR: 800G

















Coordinated, architected, with long term commitments





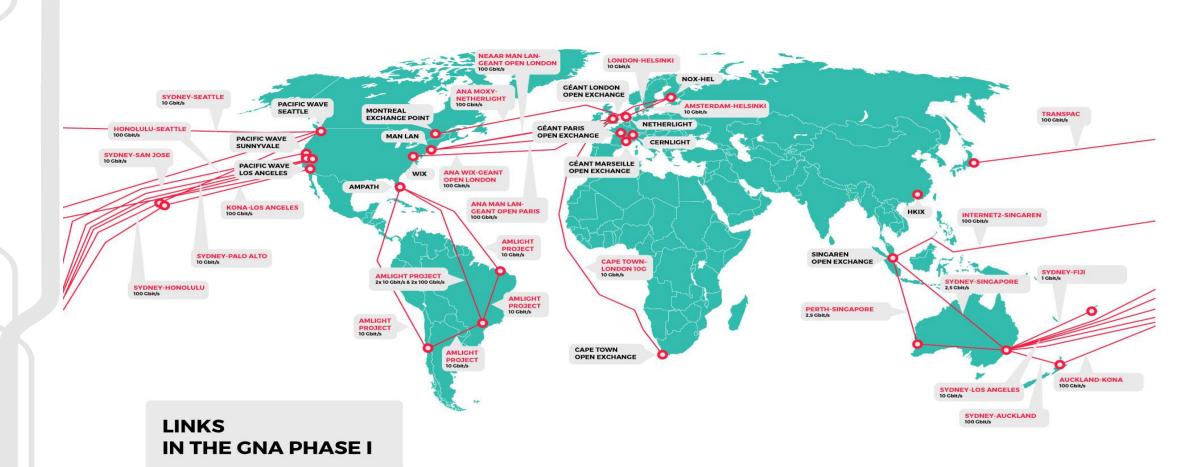
Transitioning GNA to Actual Infrastructure

- A 'Proof of Concept' project (ANA) proved successful and stable
- Consortia developing (similar to ANA) in other regions
- Number of Global Exchange Points "GXPs" continues to grow
- The GNA concept has achieved broad buy-in
- Formal announcement of the GNA Phase I @ I2 Global Summit 2017





GNA Phase 1 - Compliant

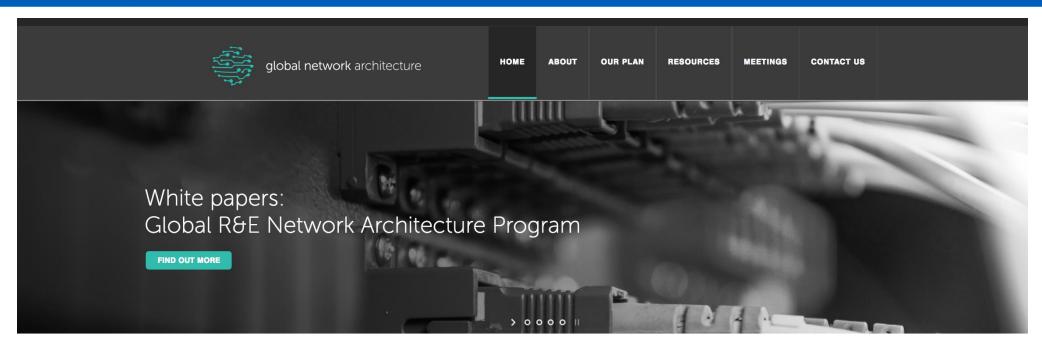


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Internet2
ESNet
CENIC/PacWave
AMPATH/AmLight
NEAAR
TransPac





GNA-RE Website



Developing a blueprint for global R&E network architecture

The Global Network Architecture (GNA) embodies a vision and an ambition of an international collaboration of national research and education (R&E) networks. The GNA Technical Working Group is charged with drafting a blueprint for interconnecting R&E networks on a global scale, based on the latest technologies and promising developments, with a five to ten-year horizon. This blueprint will enable R&E networks to align their spending for intercontinental bandwidth. Participation is open to all regions of the

https://gna-re.net/





Asia Pacific Ring: 300G cross-Pacific

APR Start:

Q4 2017

APR Partners:

- NICT,
- · NSCC,
- SingAREN,
- Internet2,
- NII/SINET,
- Pacific Wave,
- TransPAC,
- The WIDE Project, and
- CENIC.







Current Europe – AsiaPac R&E links

- NORDUnet's 1G between NORDUnet PoPs in Frankfurt and Hong Kong
- A 10G between London and Beijing, dedicated to Europe-China traffic
- A 10G between London and Singapore, dedicated to Europe-SingAREN and TEIN traffic
- 2x 10G between London and Tokyo, dedicated to Europe-Japan traffic





Joining Forces on Europe – AsiaPac

- Problem: Long RTTs & very expensive
- Or... How could we create a ANA & APR like collaboration on this path
- Demands from several organizations

- Current efforts to start a collaboration on two levels:
 - 1. Jointly procuring a 100G
 - 2. Forming a system (ring) with SINET's 100G





SINET's 100G Europe-Japan







Jointly procuring a 100G

- From AsiaPac:
 - SingAREN,
 - AARNet, and
 - TEIN*CC.
- From Europe:
 - GÉANT,
 - SURFnet, and
 - NORDUnet.











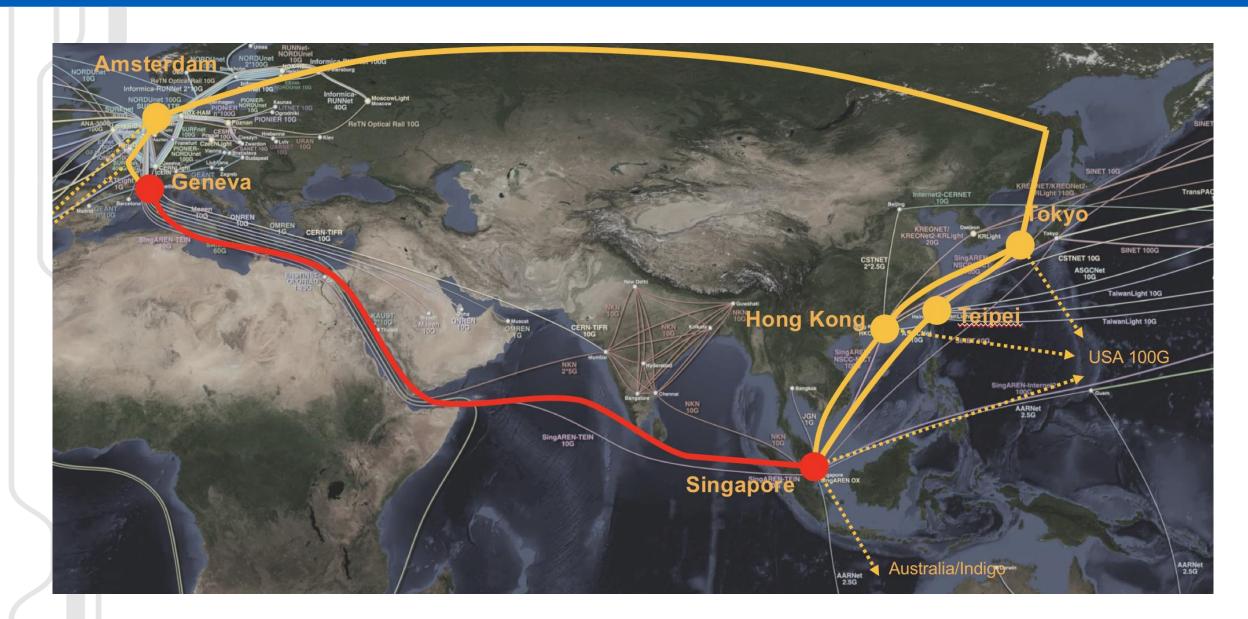








Possible AsiaPac-Europe System







Idea 1: CAE100G+ Collaboration





Idea 2: CAE100G+ Collaboration





Collaboration: It makes economic sense

- Europe-Asia pricing:
 - 2016 10 Gbit/s quote: 250 kEUR/year
 - 2017 1 Gbit/s actual: 78 kEUR/year
 - 2018 10 Gbit/s price levels:
 - TeleGeography Retail Benchmark: 220 kEUR/year
 - Budgetary pre-tender Wholesale: 29-57 kEUR/year
 - Tender Result: ...





Recent Examples of new Cables with R&E

- Hawaiki:
 - New Zealand Australia US West Coast
 - 15,000 km cable system
 - 445 Million NZ Dollar project
 - REANNZ anchor tenant
- Indigo:
 - Sydney Perth Singapore
 - AARNet anchor tenant
- UNINETT fiber on Svalbard:
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZpo6zepZWw
- EllaLink (planned):
 - Brazil Portugal
 - GÉANT & RedCLARA involved





Most Importantly: Stimulate other Collaborations

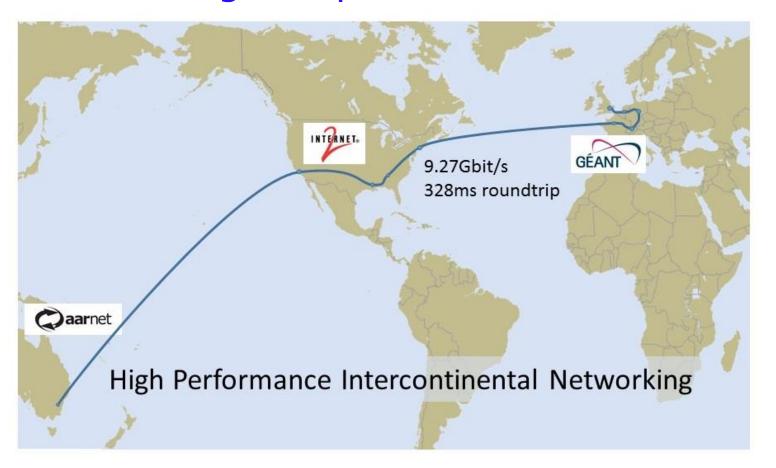
- Network Services definition v2.0
- Dynamic Mapping of network infrastructure
- Virtualization and Orchestration
- Automation on ANA: Pathfinder using AutoGOLE experiences
- Instrumenting the GNA:
 - MaDDash
 - NetSAGE





Conclusions (1)

- Oh, and what about the commercial Internet?
 - https://blog.geant.org/2017/05/15/taking-it-tothe-limit-testing-the-performance-of-re-networking







- GNA ideas being implemented:
 - Bandwidth between some continents now on par with bandwidth within continent
 - Other inter-continent paths to follow, e.g.:
 - Africa South America
 - Europe South America

More bandwidth, more resilience, less money

Will the Black Sea Region join in?





"The fee you pay your regional network, not only connects you to CANARIE and the rest of Canada, but also to the Global R&E Network!"

Jim Ghadbane, President & CEO at CANARIE





Thank you! Questions?

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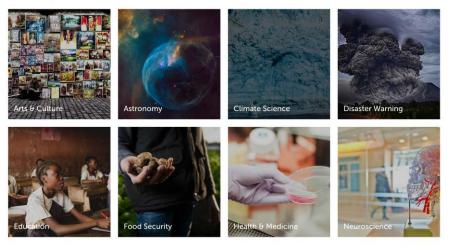
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BACK UP SLIDES





GNA MaDDash

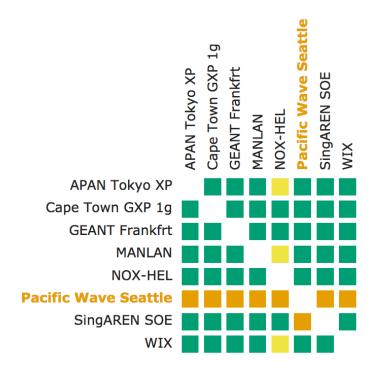
GNA Sites Dashboard

Loss and Delay -GNA-

Loss rate is <= 0.001 Loss rate is >= 0.001 Loss rate is >= 0.1 Unable to retrieve data Check has not yet run

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Found a total of 1 problem involving 1 host in the grid

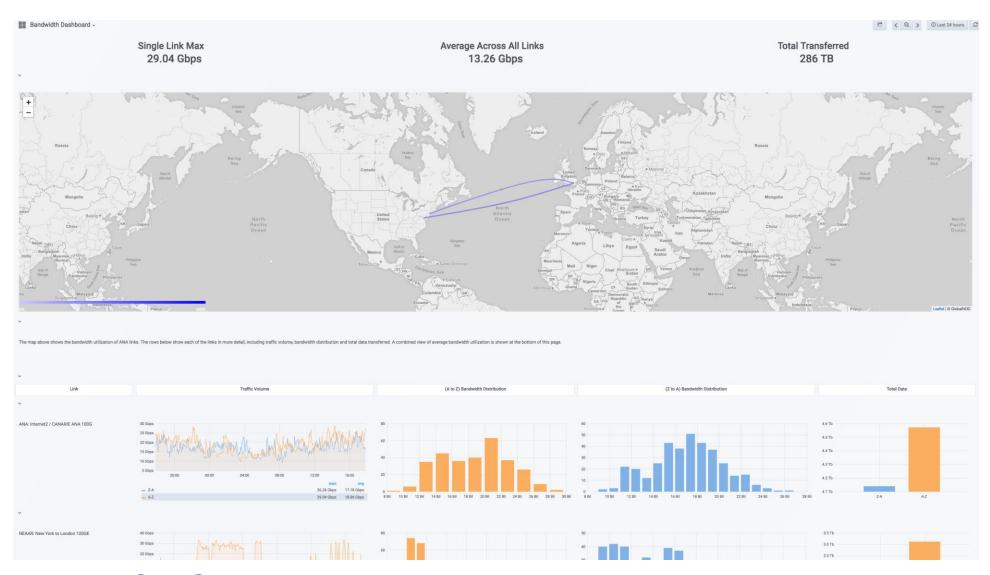


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NetSAGE ANA



Thanks to NetSAGE project, Jennifer, Andrew, Edward, et. al.





Reference Architecture v1.0

GNA Reference Documents v1.0 – January 2017

The GNA Technical Working Group produced six documents that together are the **Global Network Architecture Reference v1.0**. These documents were published in January 2017:

- GNA Reference Architecture v1.0
- GNA Exchange Point Specifications v1.0
- GNA Multi-Layer Transport Services v1.0
- GNA Operations v1.0
- GNA Technical Notes v1.0
- GNA Glossary v1.0

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White Papers



White Papers

The GNA Technical WG also maintains an archive of GNA White Papers that are published by their respective authors, and are relevant to the GNA and define possible future work:

- The Commons in the GNA v2.5
- GNA Information Architecture v0.6
- Global Virtualization Architecture for the GNA v0.91

