



GÉANT

Advanced Network Services Delivery for HPC in Science

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1 per country

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ADVA Optical Networking

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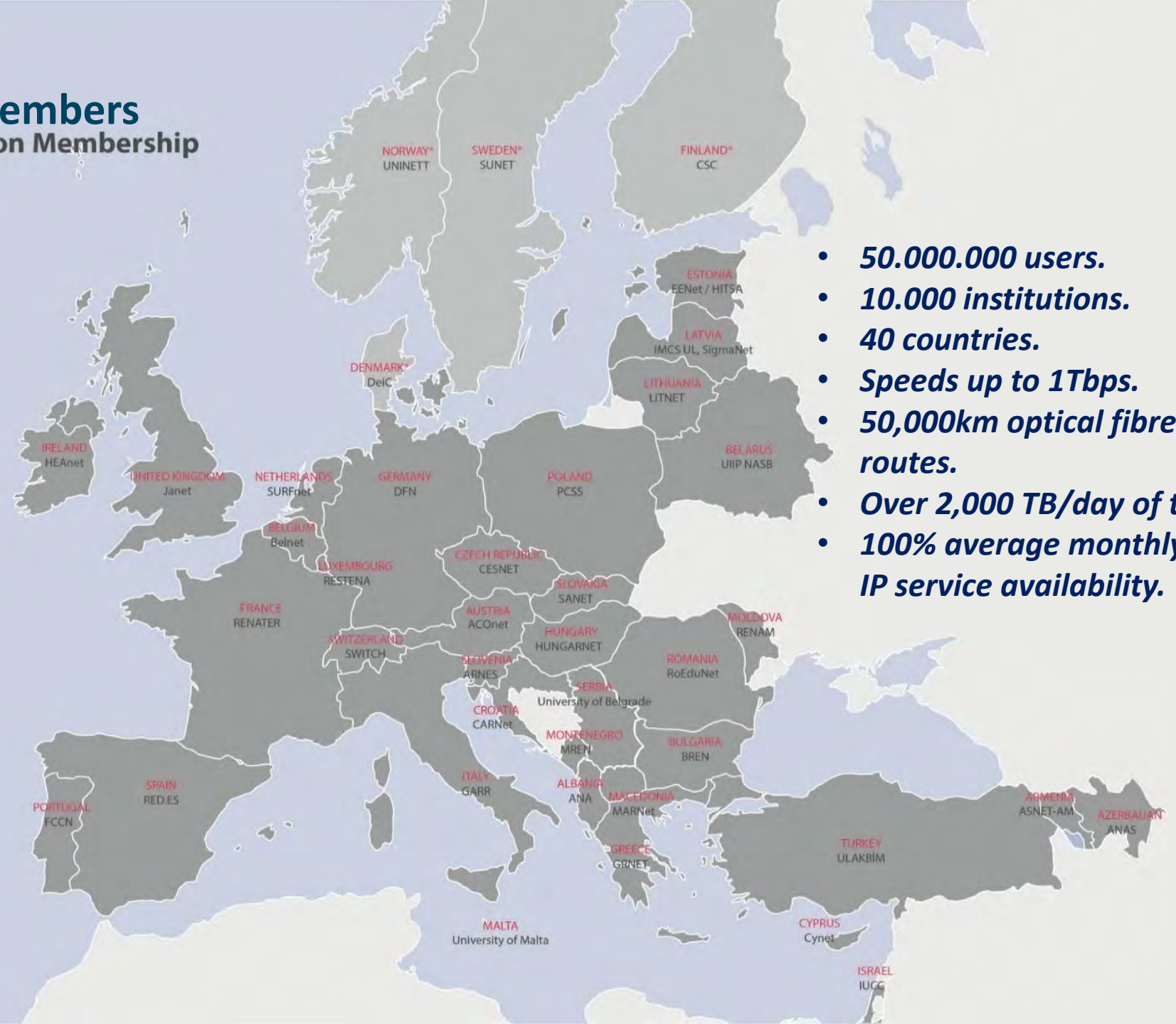
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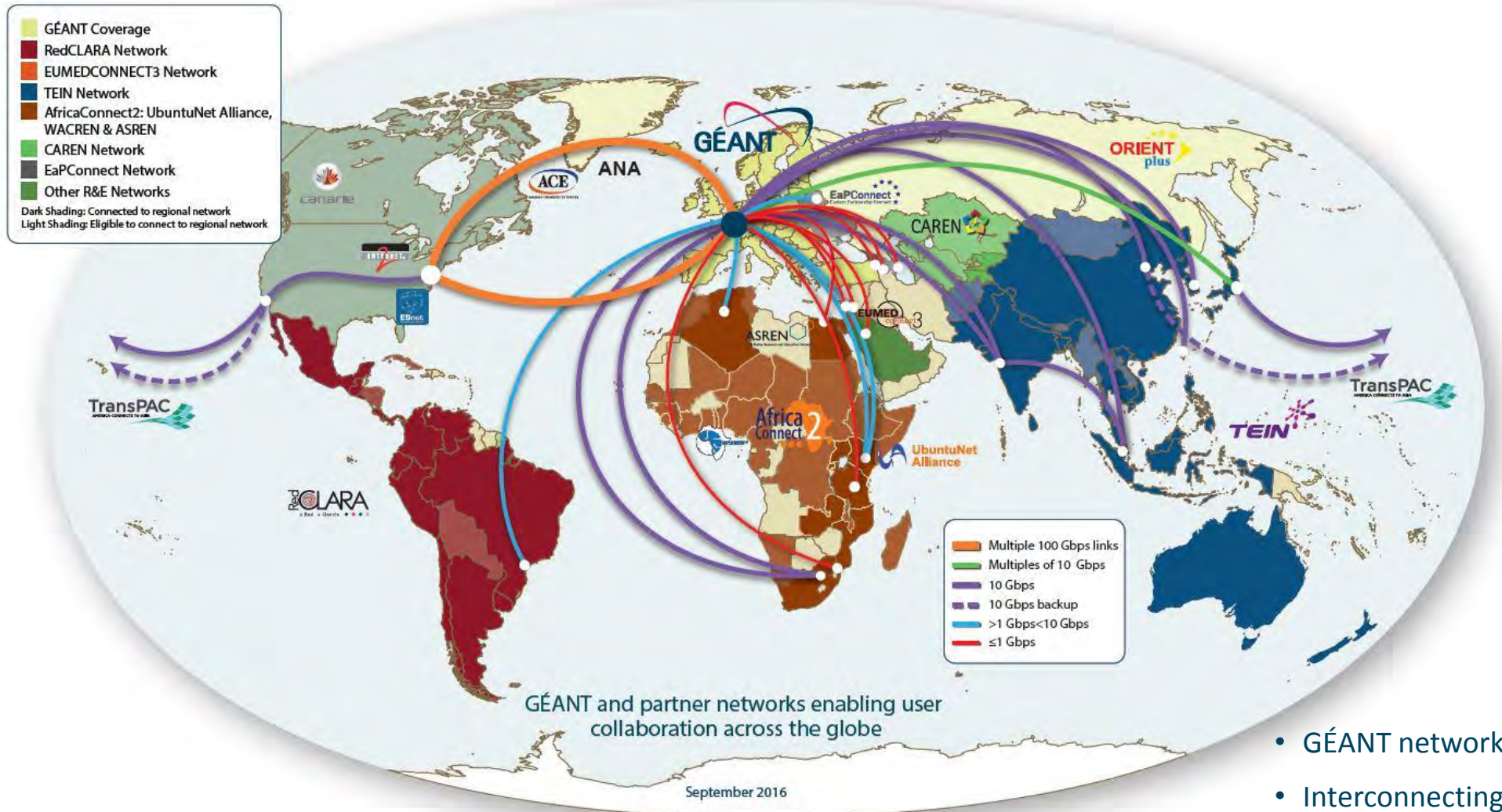


- **50.000.000 users.**
- **10.000 institutions.**
- **40 countries.**
- **Speeds up to 1Tbps.**
- **50,000km optical fibres on 44 routes.**
- **Over 2,000 TB/day of transfer.**
- **100% average monthly IP service availability.**

- Manages research & education networking projects
- Procures, builds and operates large-scale, advanced international high-speed networks
 - GÉANT (Europe)
 - National RENs participate directly and indirectly on GÉANT development.
 - EUMEDCONNECT (Mediterranean)
 - AfricaConnect (Africa)
 - CAREN (Central Asia)
 - EAPConnect (Eastern Partnership Countries)
 - GLIF (Global)
- Supports and assists other regional projects
 - ORIENTplus (Europe-China collaboration)
 - TEIN*CC (Asia-Pacific)
 - RedCLARA (Latin America)
 - CKLN (Caribbean)



Global connectivity



- GÉANT network is connected to all continents
- Interconnecting >100 countries globally

User support: what do users see?

Imagine two collaborators in two different countries:

- Different connecting NREN
- Different services, with different T&Cs
- Which services are available to them end to end?
- What are the business models along the delivery chain?



Now imagine 30 users in 30 countries...

Users we work with

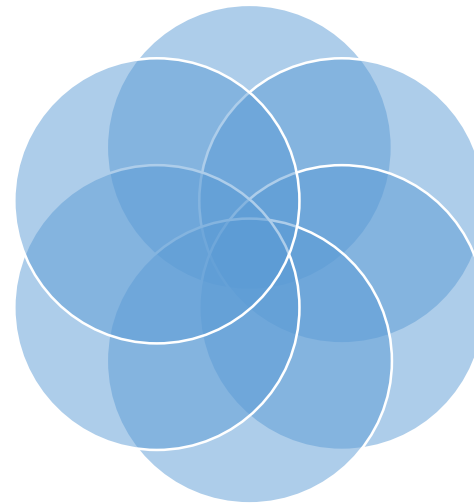


Social Sciences,
Arts and
Humanities



Life Sciences

High-Energy Physics
and Astronomy



Earth Sciences
and
Observations



Future Internet
Projects

E-Infrastructures

Some scientific user groups we liaise with

- Physics sciences
 - High-energy physics (LHC, BELLE II, CERN, etc.)
 - Neutrino observation (KM3NET)
- Astronomy and Earth observation
 - Earth observation (EUMETSAT, COPERNICUS)
 - Radio-astronomy (eVLBI, SKA, etc.)
 - Satellite operations (ESOC)
- E-Infrastructures (EGI, EUDAT, PRACE, HelixNebula)
- Life sciences
 - Genomics (Elixir, EBI, EMBL)
 - BioImaging
- Future Internet projects (XiFi, Confine, SmartFire, etc.)

- **Connectivity & network management**

- Standard IP, up to multiple 100Gbps
- MD-VPNs (L2 and L3)
- Point-to-point circuits
- Wavelengths 10 -100Gbps
- GÉANT Testbed Service (GTS)
- International and Commercial Peerings
- Firewall on-demand
- ...

- **End to end Performance**

- perfSONAR – *Real-time, multi-domain performance monitoring*
- eduPERT – *Performance troubleshooting*
- ...


- **Trust, Identity and Security**

- eduGAIN – *Secure access, single sign-on*
- Eduroam – *Seamless Wi-Fi access for research and education around the world*
- ...

- **One Stop Shop**

- Consultancy
- International co-ordination
- Bespoke solutions

- **Cloud**

- Filesender 
- OwnCloud
- NREN Support and <https://clouds.geant.org/>



Summer 2016:
Cloud services – GÉANT as community broker

Connectivity Services: IP connectivity

Shoah Foundation Institute



- Secure memory of Holocaust and genocide survivors
- One of the largest video digital libraries in the world (~ 42 PB of data)
- Long-term objective of USC: Build global digital preservation and access grid for digital humanities
- Need reliable and scalable data mirroring between US and Europe
- 1st Data Node: Malach Center at University of Prague
- data transmission and performance monitoring starting Q316

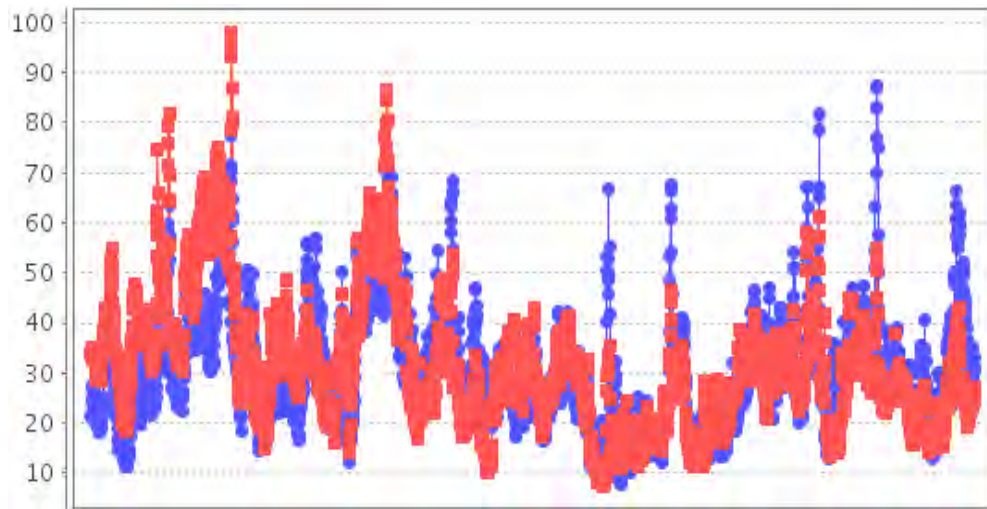
Assessment of Performance Needs

- Utilisation of general IP
- Monitor traffic behaviour over 6 months to assess if specialised solution is required
- Ongoing performance tests to see how updates and synchronisations of the archive will affect the utilisation of the lines



Connectivity Services: lambda service *CERN*


- Connection to the remote data centre in Budapest
- First ever 100G user service in R&E community
- In operation since 11/2012
- Provided by GÉANT (GVA-BUD) + NIIFI/HungarNet (local loop in Budapest)
- GÉANT NOC operating as SPOC



Connectivity Services: p2p circuits

InfiniCortex project



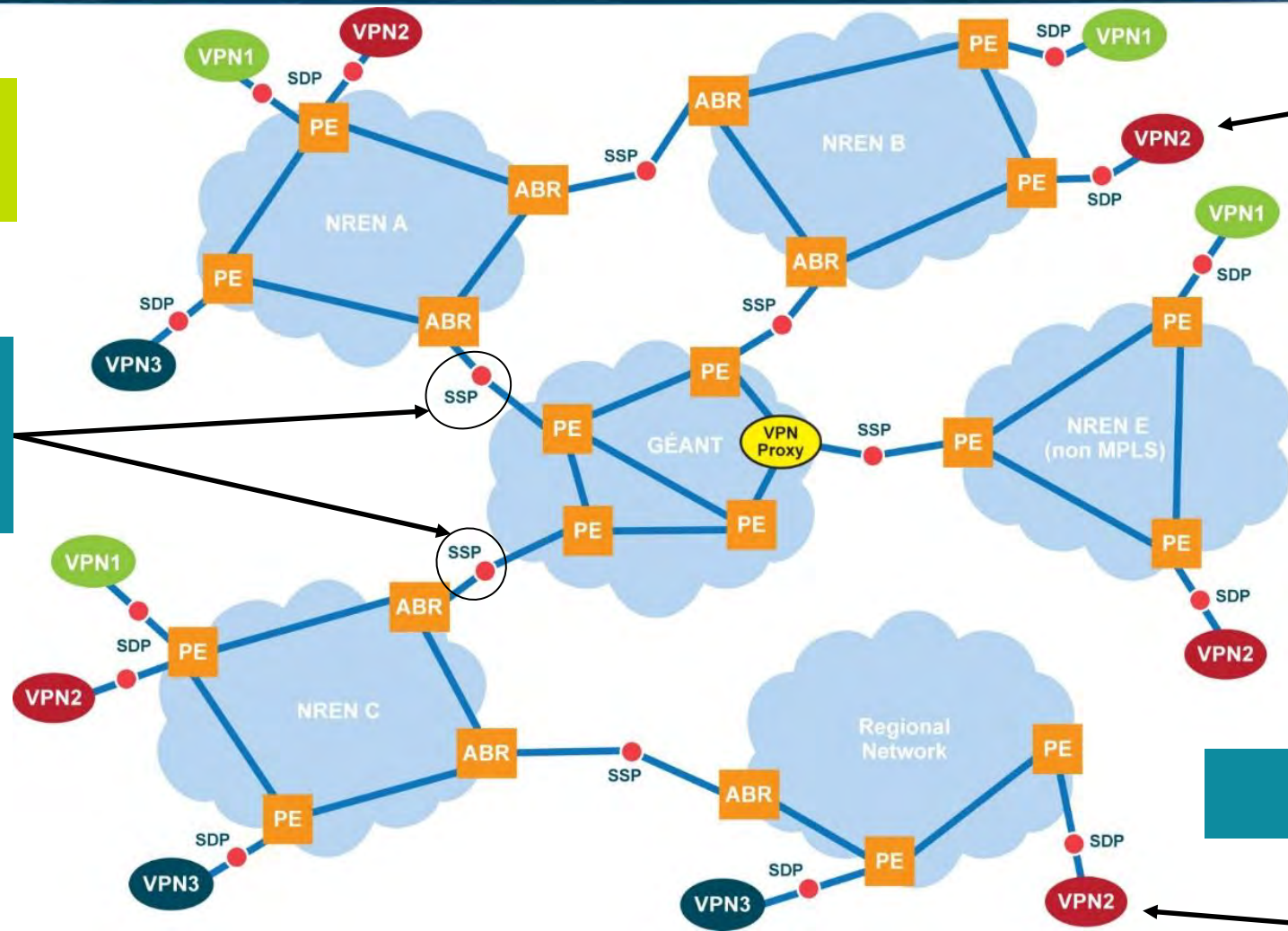
- Use of InfiniBand on the WAN 
- A “Galaxy of Supercomputers” scattered across the world
- Remote Direct Memory Access over long-distance connection
- Based on Obsidian Longbow.
- GÉANT will host some InfiniBand equipment in the London PoP for a European InfiniCortex infrastructure

Connectivity Services: Multi-domain VPN

Lead-time reduced

Easy to deploy
No Capex
VPN multiplexed

High scalability



Configure only at the edge

VPN Provisioning as easy as in a single-domain

An end-to-end extensible and flexible service

NREN OPEX Reduced

Configure only at the edge

Network Performance Monitoring: *perfSONAR*



perfSONAR

- Tool to monitor network performance
 - Bandwidth / Latency / Jitter / Trace route

- Previously two versions: perfSONAR MDM and perfSONAR PS
- Now just one version for use globally by R&E Networks and Institutions!
- Single website: <http://www.perfsonar.net/>



- Web User interface
<http://psui.geant.net/>
- In eduGAIN

PerfSONAR
Please log in using your perfSONAR UI account
or a Federated Identity Provider

perfSONAR UI:
Login using embedded user database

[perfSONAR UI Login](#)

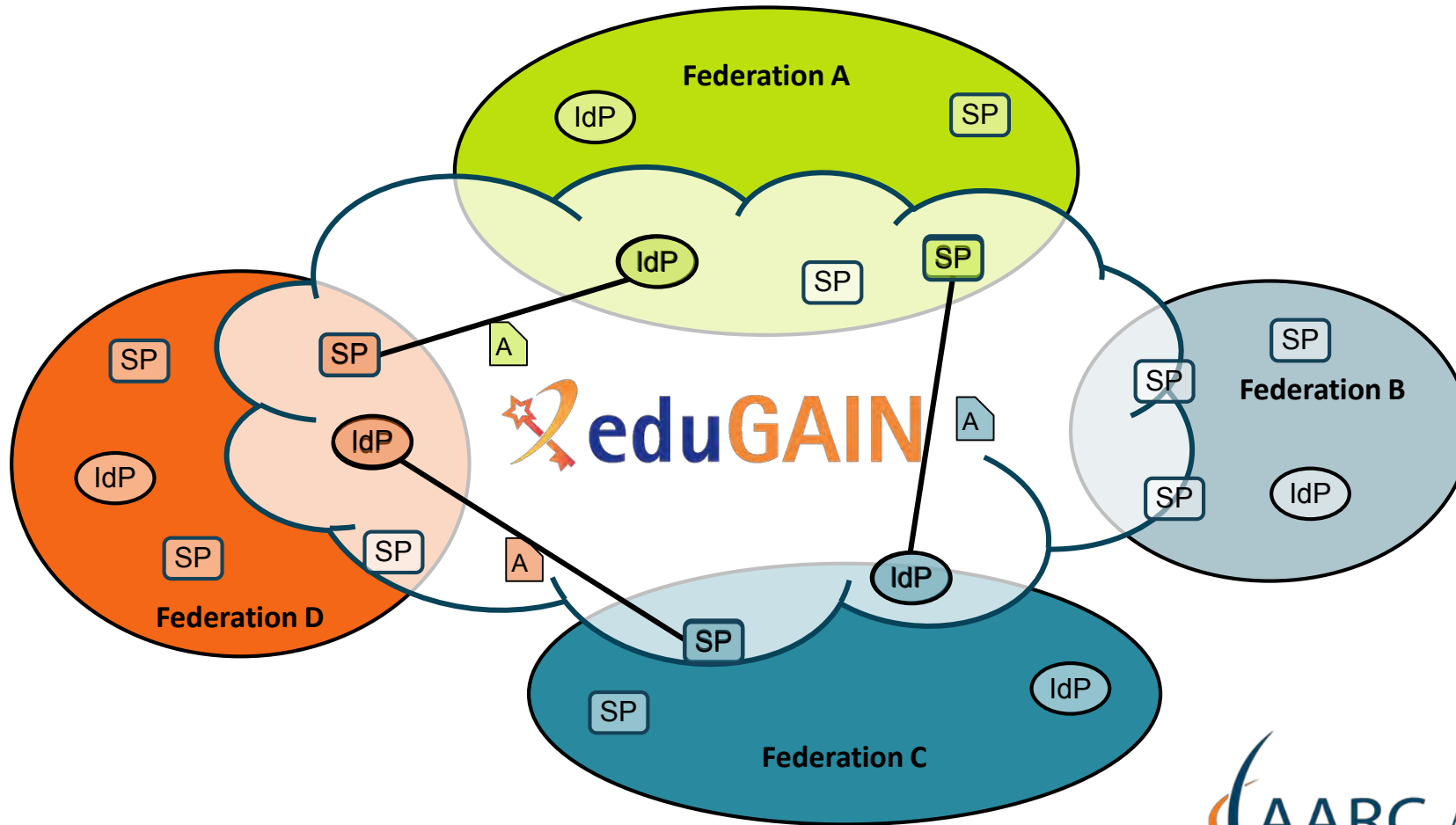
Federated Login:
*On the next page please select your Identity Provider from the
list and complete login with your credentials*

[Organizational Login](#)

- Over 1100 BWCTL and OWAMP
MPs deployed globally



Trust and Identity: *eduGAIN and AARC*



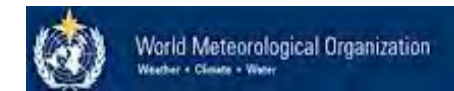
The GÉANT eduTEAM service was developed to provide a platform as a service Authentication and Authorization infrastructure for Collaborative Organizations (VOPaaS)

By adopting a collaborative and user-requirements driven approach, AARC works to deliver a framework that builds on eduGAIN but it is interoperability with existing AAls.

Example: Group on Earth Observations (GEO)

- Formal role in GEO Work programme (start Jan 2016)
- To secure wider and sustainable global access to Earth Observation data
- Objectives:
 - Explore new technologies and cooperation to improve existing infrastructure (gaps/future demands)
 - Support AfriGEOSS to improve data dissemination to and from Africa
- First successful steps made:
 - Potential services for further assessment identified (SSO, Multicast, Clouds)
 - Relations between AfriGEOSS and African R&E networks established

GEO Task Team:
GÉANT NA3
(Lead), WMO,
Météo France,
DWD, EUMETSAT,
GEO Secretariat

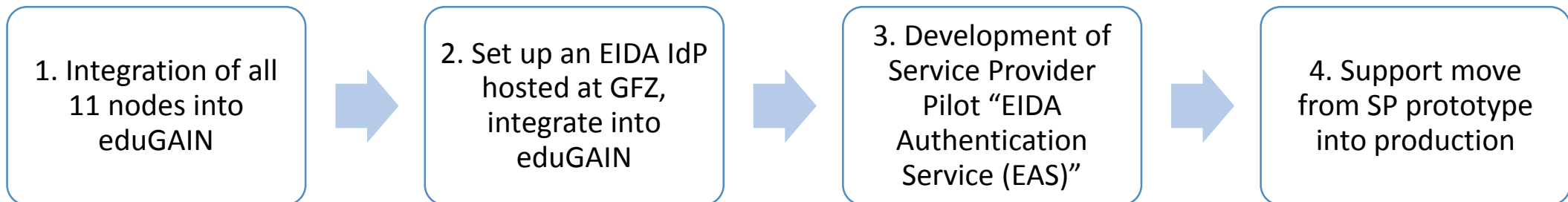
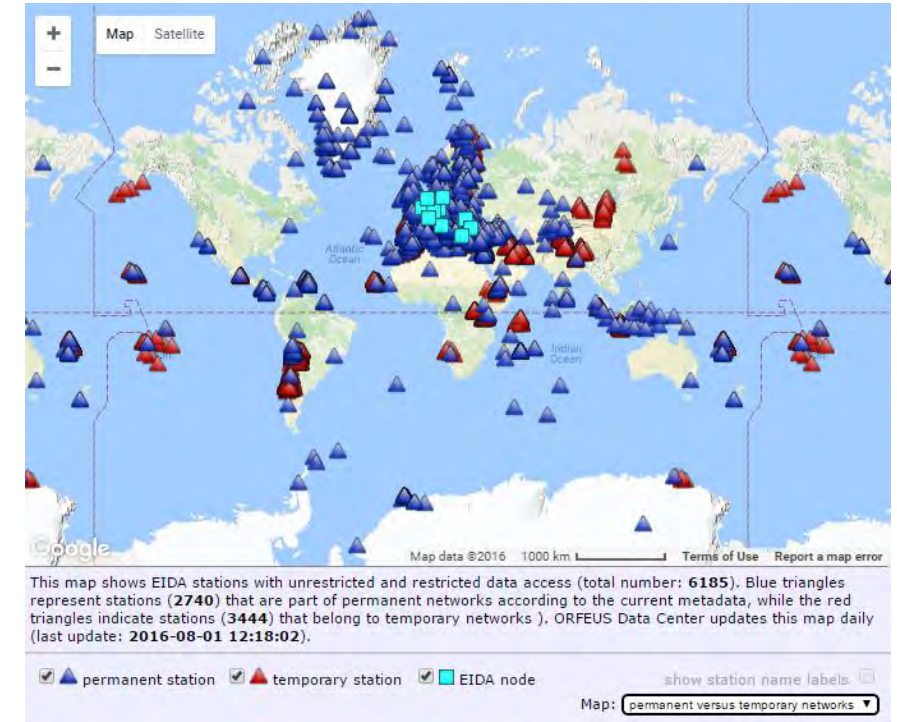


Example: European Integrated Data Archive (EIDA) for seismological data

- EIDA is the largest and most advanced user community within the Earth Plate Observation System (EPOS)
- Need for a scalable AAI system that works via desktop and web client
- Federated archive: 11 European seismological data centres storing globally collected data
- ~ 1.3TB data downloaded/day, global user community
- Joint effort of GFZ (German EIDA node), GÉANT, SWITCH & DFN (via NA4 and SA5 User Support Teams)



SWITCH



Example: Cloud and HPC – CZ National Case



- Rather development of own facility GÉANT supports NRENs to deliver Cloud/Grid/HPC services to their communities.
- GÉANT collaborates either with EGI or PRACE-RI to deliver end-user communities national HPC resources:



- NGI – Metacentrum (<http://www.metacentrum.cz/en>), CESNET, Czech Republic.
Member of EGI.



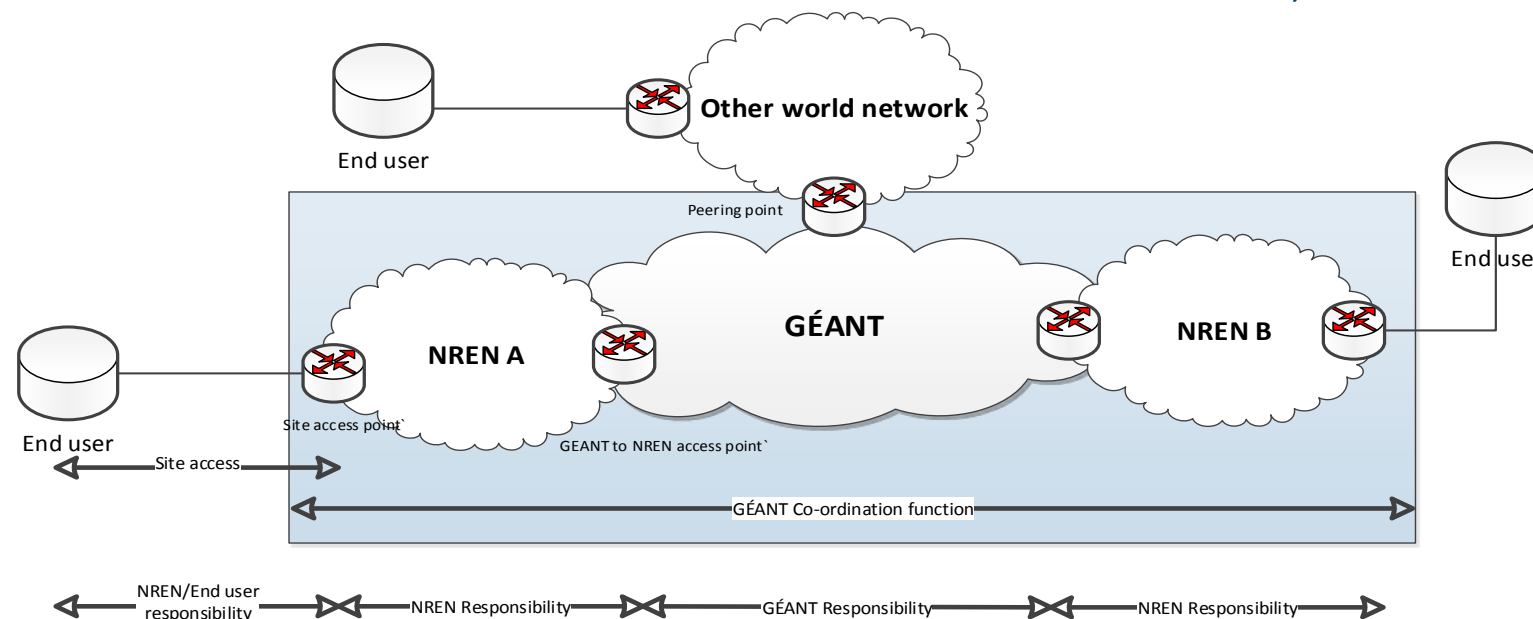
- NSC – IT4Innovations - IT4I – (<http://www.it4i.cz/?lang=en>; <http://prace.it4i.cz>).
Joint Project by VŠB – TU Ostrava, University of Ostrava, Brno University of Technology.
Member of PRACE.

IT4Innovations
national
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- Collaboration with other e-infrastructures/research projects is crucial for such activities.
 - Usually number of users used to be the key indicator for big research infrastructure project evaluation.

The One-stop-shop concept

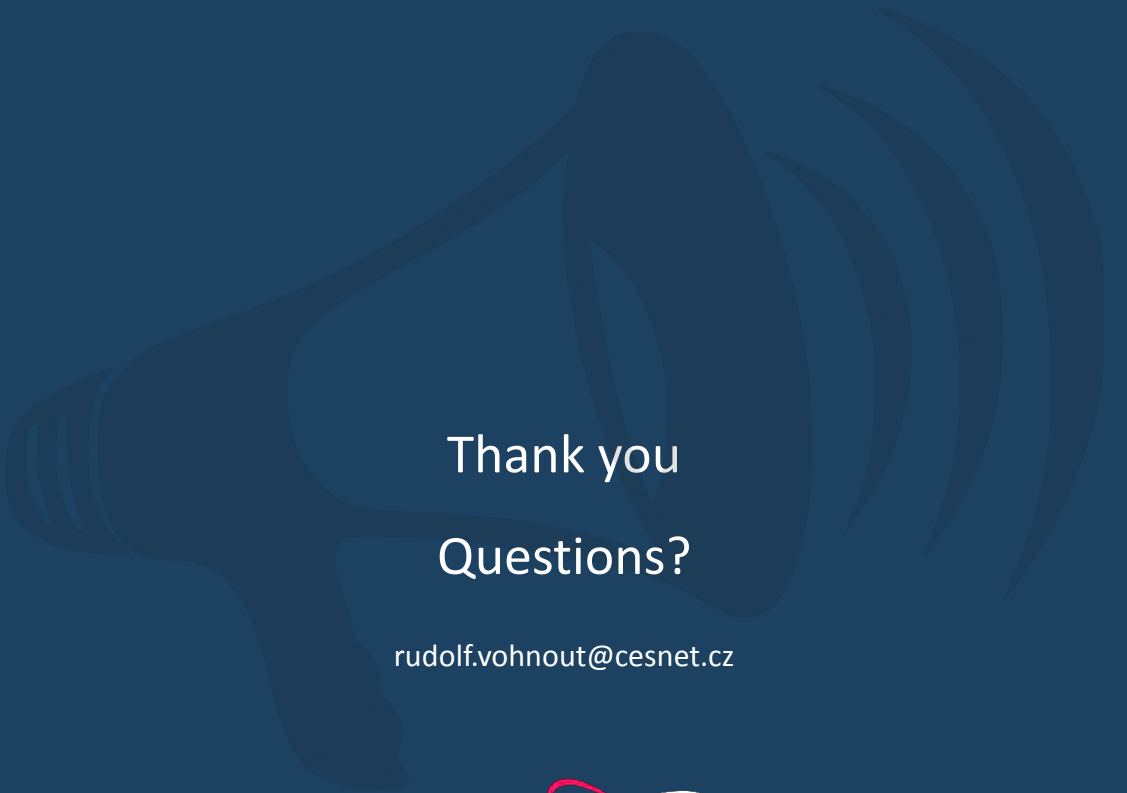
- Work closely with Users, NRENs, other e-Infrastructures and GÉANT subject experts.
- Discuss and understand user requirements.
- Develop a consolidated and consistent solution for all involved sites:
technical/administrative/financial/contractual
- Ensure seamless service implementation and operation through full project lifecycle management.
- Respect for the NRENs administrative boundaries → GÉANT connects networks, not end-sites.



Support for International Users

- **Dedicated User Support Team**
- **Single point-of-contact for international collaborations and organisations**
- **Providing a one-stop-shop**
- **Policy and technical consultancy**
- **User's voice within GÉANT**
 - International User Advisor Committee
 - NREN feedback, Surveys
 - Conferences, Focus Groups....





Thank you
Questions?

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