



# The GARR – ARNES collaboration and future projects

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# ARNES, GARR ...

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We Are NRENs!

A very long and very special history to know about!

# NRENs, the origins...

- Back in the '80s, for the need of users in research and education
  - NRENs were born before formal computer networking science!
  - The communities created them, bottom up
  - Everyone was collaborating and in helping each other to setup.
  - All had to be invented!
- The first "NRENs associations"
  - EARN
  - RARE
  - ...

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In front of the restaurant, used as meeting room:

## “RARE meeting”



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“RARE meeting”  
Medium meeting  
Well done meeting

# GARR in a nutshell

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GARR is the network and the services built by the Italian Research and Education community to satisfy the needs of its own users and to help them in doing their own activities!



# ... of course we have a Vision, a Mission, a Strategy & Value

**The Vision**: GARR aims at being the reference infrastructure, application driven, that fulfils the requirements of the Research, Education and Cultural community in Italy.

**The Mission**: Connect Universities, Research organisations and provide services to the community of Education and Research

**The Strategy**: Project, Build, Manage, Maintain and Evolve an inclusive infrastructure that provides unique and high quality services to the reference community optimising it in terms of costs, efficiency and value.

## **The Value:**

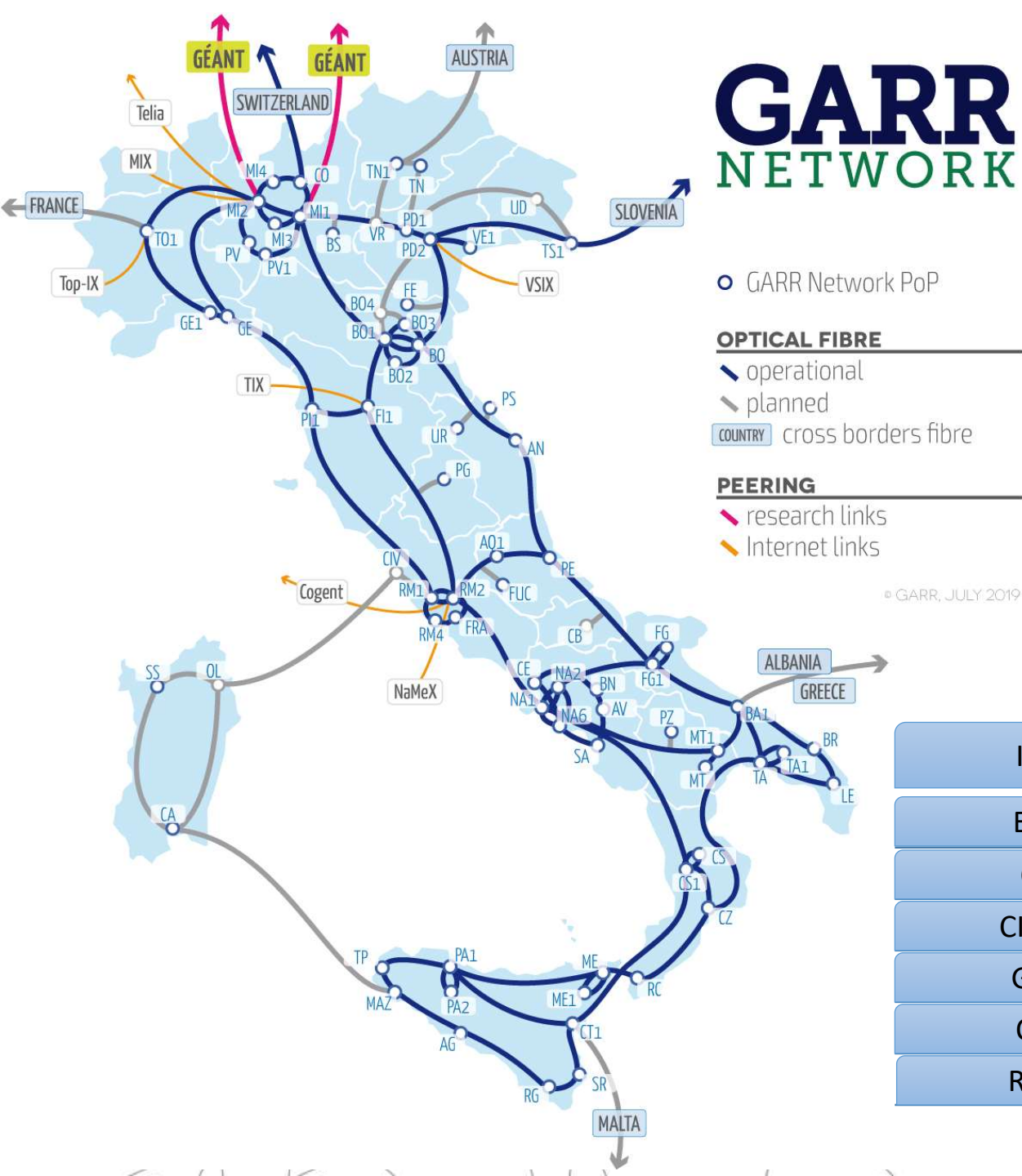
- Inclusiveness in terms of community served and services provided
- Solidarity with a cost properly shared in the community
- European value as part of a larger community
- Trustiness that allows to provide Digital Identities and Security
- Community driven applications: what the users need
- Innovation to dynamically follow the needs of the community
- Neutral in respect to Technology and Market



# GARR: The Research and Education Community

## FOUNDERS





- More that **16.000** km of GARR owned fibers  
~**9.500** Km of backbone  
~**6.500** Km of access links
- More than **1000 user sites** interconnected
- **> 1,8 Tbps** aggregated access capacity
- **> 3,5 Tbps** total backbone capacity
- **2x200 Gbps** IP capacity to GÉANT
- Cross border fibers with ARNES (Slovenia), SWITCH (Switzerland), **and other are coming**
- **> 100 Gbps** to General Internet and Internet Exchanges in Italy
- **NOC and engineering** are in-house, in Rome.

#### Interconnects Data Centres of:

INFN	HTC - 1 Tier1 (CNAF-Bologna) + 9 Tier2 (Bari, Catania, Frascati, Legnaro, Milano, Napoli, Pisa, Roma, Torino)
ENEA	HTC & HPC - Portici (NA), Brindisi
CNR	Roma, Pisa
CINECA	HPC - Marconi (Bologna)
GARR	Bari, Catania, Cosenza, Napoli, Palermo
CRS4	Cagliari
RECAS	Bari, Catania, Cosenza, Napoli

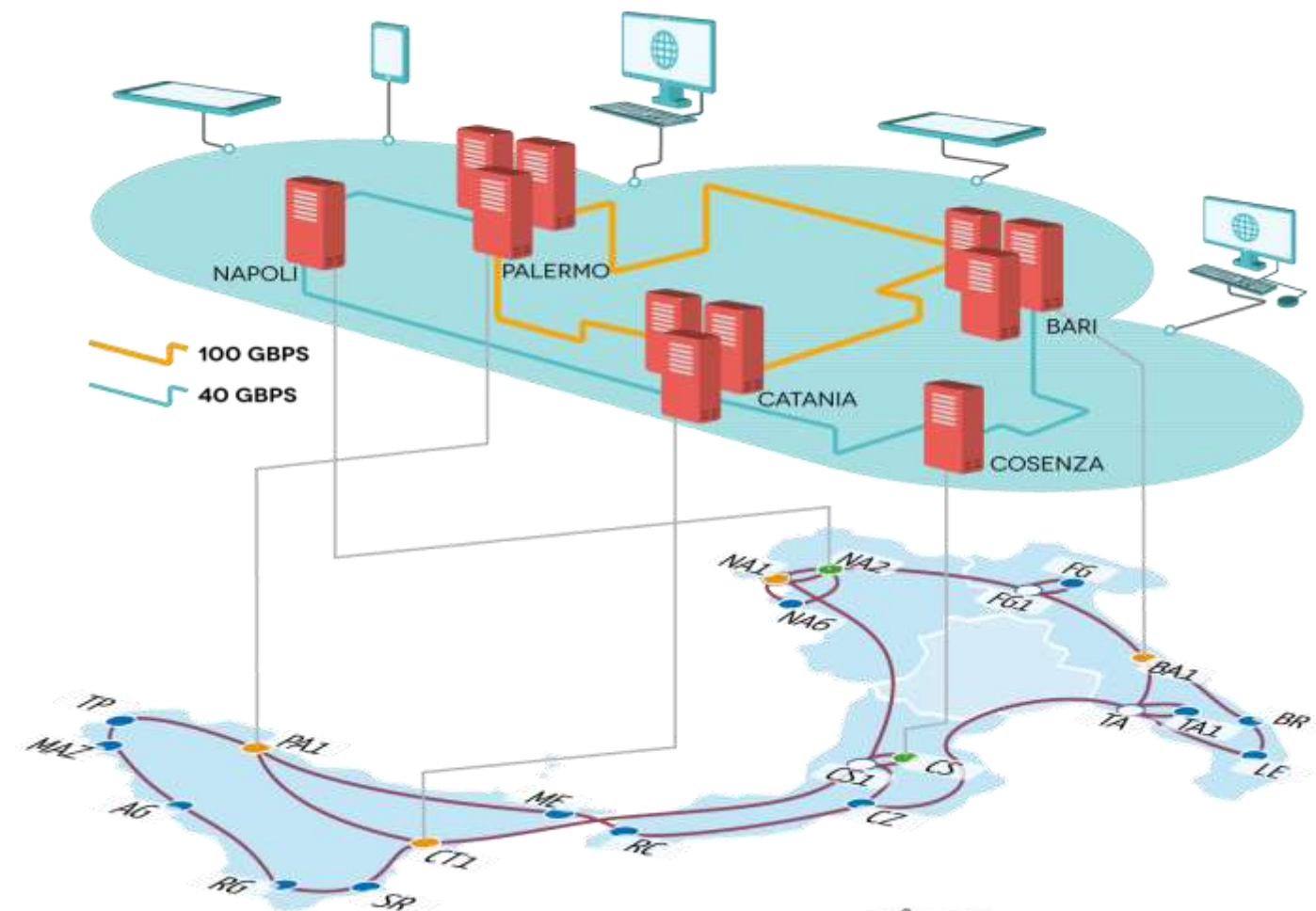
# we also run ICT Infrastructure and a GARR Cloud

5 Sites for a total of 8448 virtual CPU and 10 PB di STORAGE  
Built in the GARR-X Progress Project co-funded by MIUR

**Federated Cloud**  
**OpenStack based + Kubernetes cluster**

Services:

- IaaS – Infrastructure as a Service with Virtual Data Centre
- DaaS – Deployment as a Service a type of PaaS (Platform as a Service)



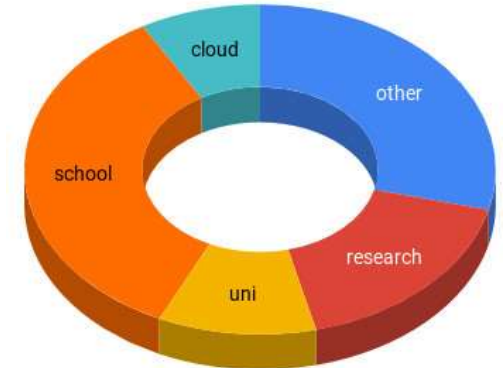
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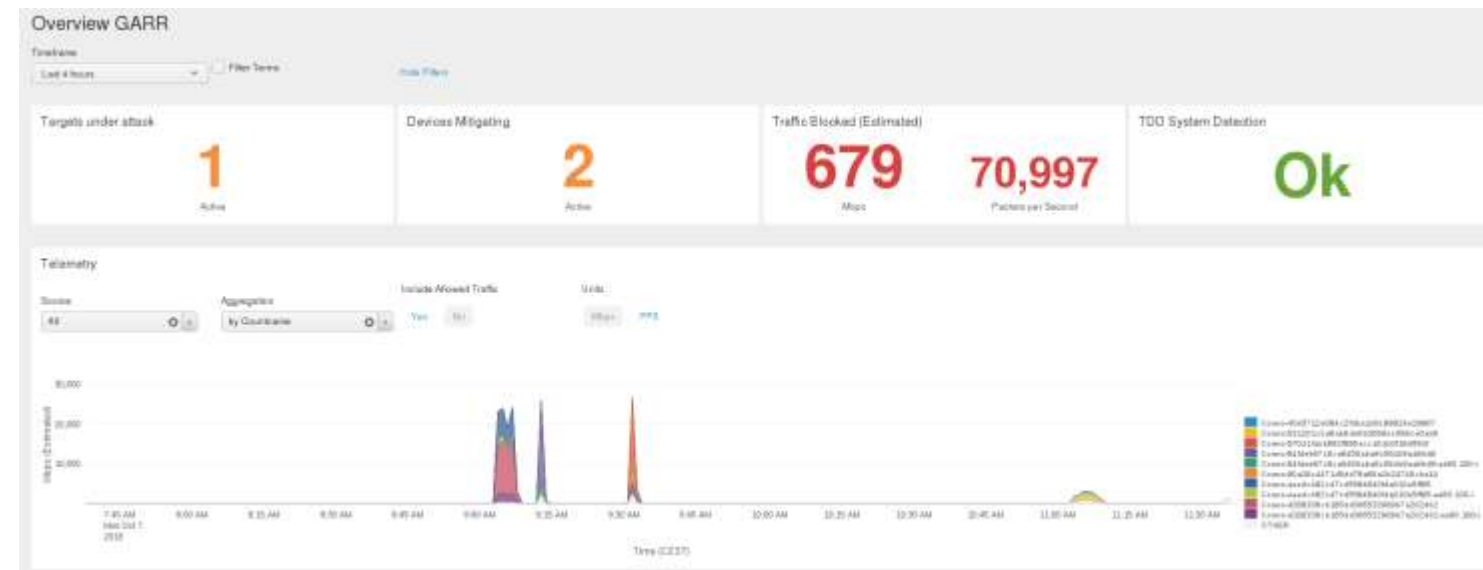


# DDoS detection and mitigation in GARR

- In-house developed tools for detection and analysis
  - Distributed synflood detection using netflow
- Industrial tools for mitigation: Corero (Juniper spin-off)
  - Detection (splunk based)
    - Using Mirrored sampled traffic
  - Mitigation using Juniper MX
    - NETCONF
    - Ephemeral filters
    - Filters matching traffic payload
- Telemetry for reporting
- Totally automated solution
- Very fast (seconds) detection and mitigation of recurring attacks



DDoS Targets Nov 18 - Sep 19



# Security services: SCARR

## Vulnerability scan on demand:

- Based on Greenbone (ex OpenVAS) and NMAP
- Each GARR APM can request a scan to its network
- Self-service via web portal
- AAI authentication only
- All tasks are splitted in sub-tasks and executed on different backends to speed execution

GARR SCARR-NG (BETA)

NUOVA SCANSIONE

Mostra reti scansionabili: 90.147.160.0/24

Avvia Scansione →

Preimposta: 30/09/2019 05:54 PM

Ripeti: TyndisSuite

Driver: OpenVAS, ScanEngine, NMAP

Formato output: pdf

### ON GOING SCANS

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### Result Overview

Host	High	Medium	Low	Log	False Positive
90.147.90.177	0	3	0	16	0
Total: 1	0	3	0	16	0

**Medium (CVSS: 4.3)**  
NVT-SSL-TLS-Report-Weak-Cipher-Suites

**Summary**  
This routine reports all Weak SSL/TLS cipher suites accepted by a service.  
NOTE: No severity for SMTP services with 'Opportunistic TLS' and weak cipher suites on port 25/tcp is reported. If too strong cipher suites are configured for this service the alternative would be to fall back to an even more insecure cleartext communication.

**Vulnerability Detection Result**  
'Weak' cipher suites accepted by this service via the TLSv1.0 protocol:  
TLS\_RSA\_WITH\_RC4\_128\_MD5  
TLS\_RSA\_WITH\_RC4\_128\_SHA

**Solution**  
**Solution type:** Mitigation  
The configuration of this services should be changed so that it does not accept the listed weak cipher suites anymore.  
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Info: <https://scarr.garr.it>

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# Eduroam Self Service

Eduroam Self Service helps eduroam institution operator to

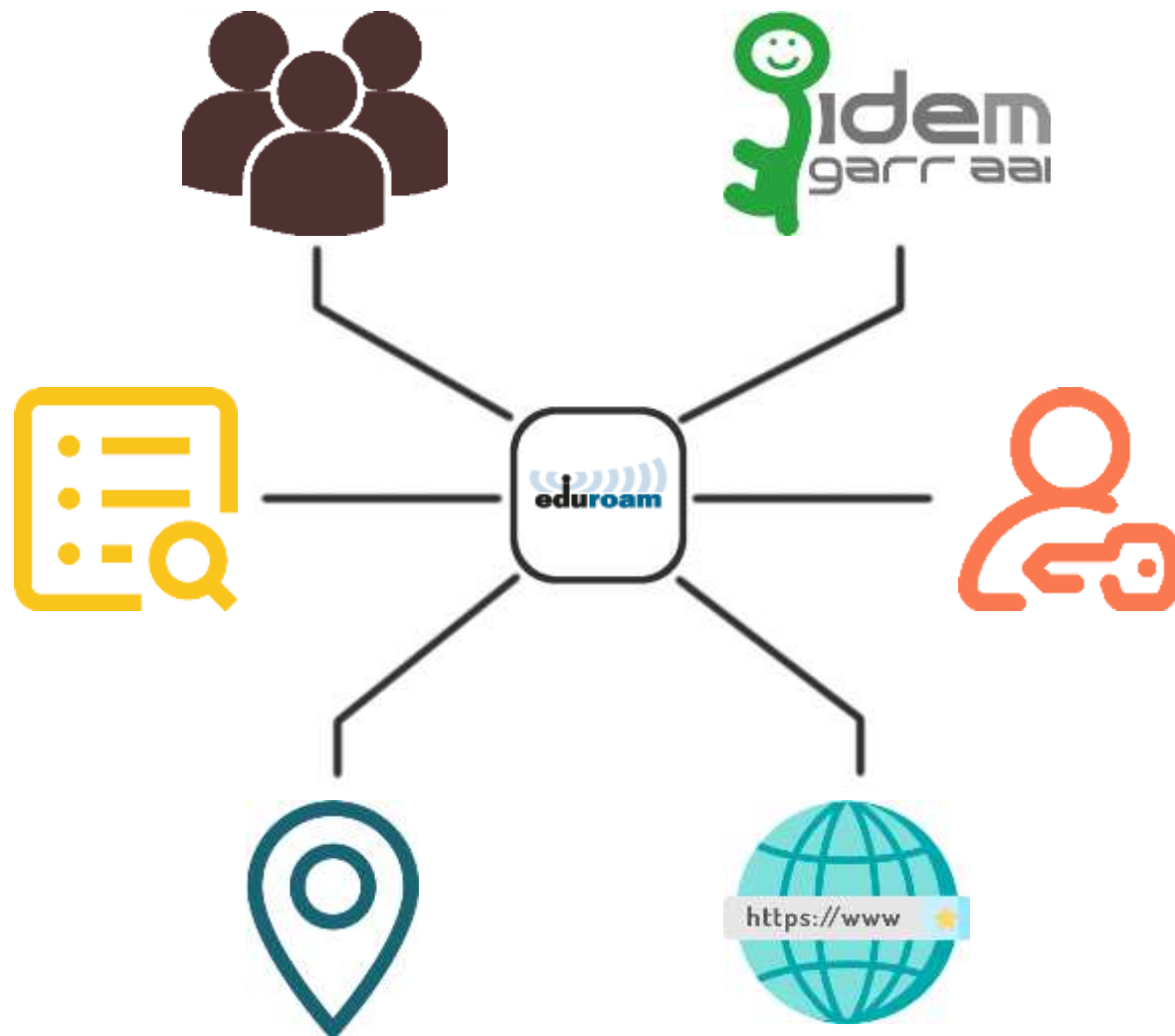
- manage and configure radius server
- troubleshoot failed authentications
- modify hotspot location
- roaming test

Fully integrated in the activation workflow of Italian eduroam Federated institutions.

Local and AAI authentication supported.

Info: <https://docs.eduroam.it>

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# The GARR-ARNES collaboration

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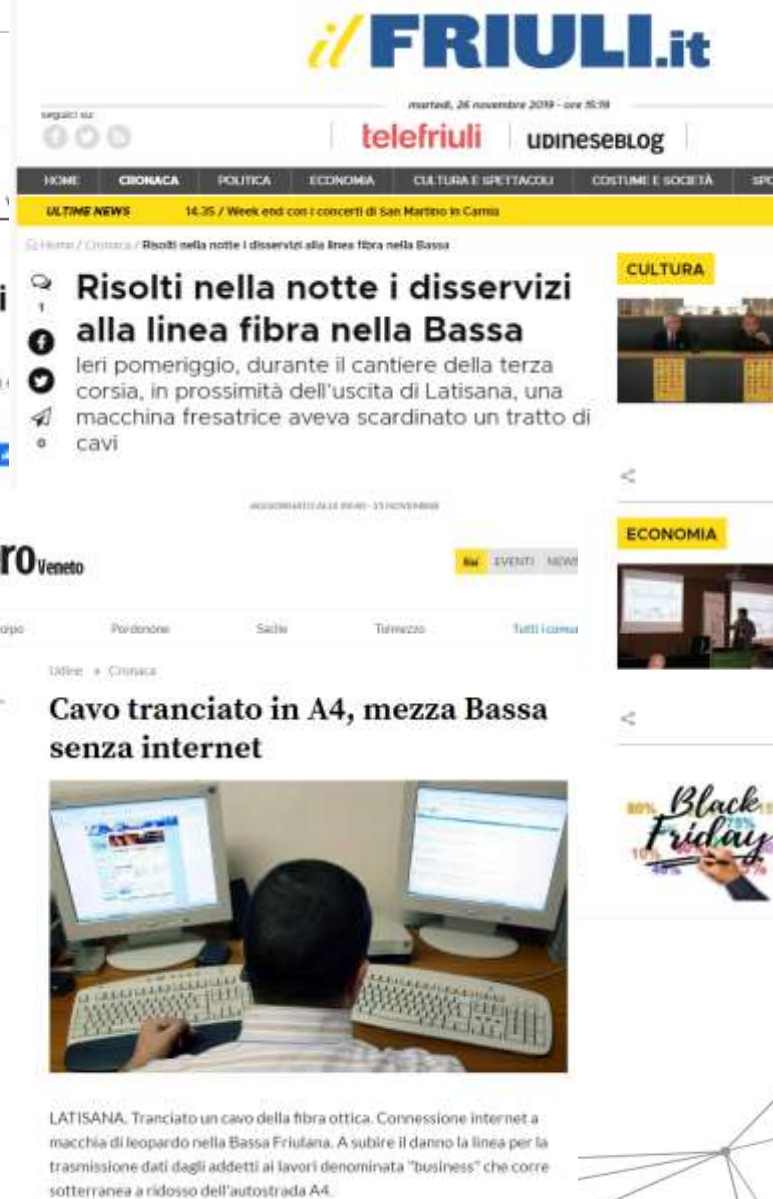


# Last january, it was a quiet day

- Then, suddenly a bunch of many optical cables was ripped off
- The whole Trieste PoP (but also FVG region) was totally cut off from the world Internet.
- Both fiber carriers serving the PoP were impacted (and all those of other providers)
- The area was between Portogruaro and Trieste
- After a few minutes our NOC realised that repair wouldn't have been so fast
- «Houston **Ljubljana!**, we have a problem»

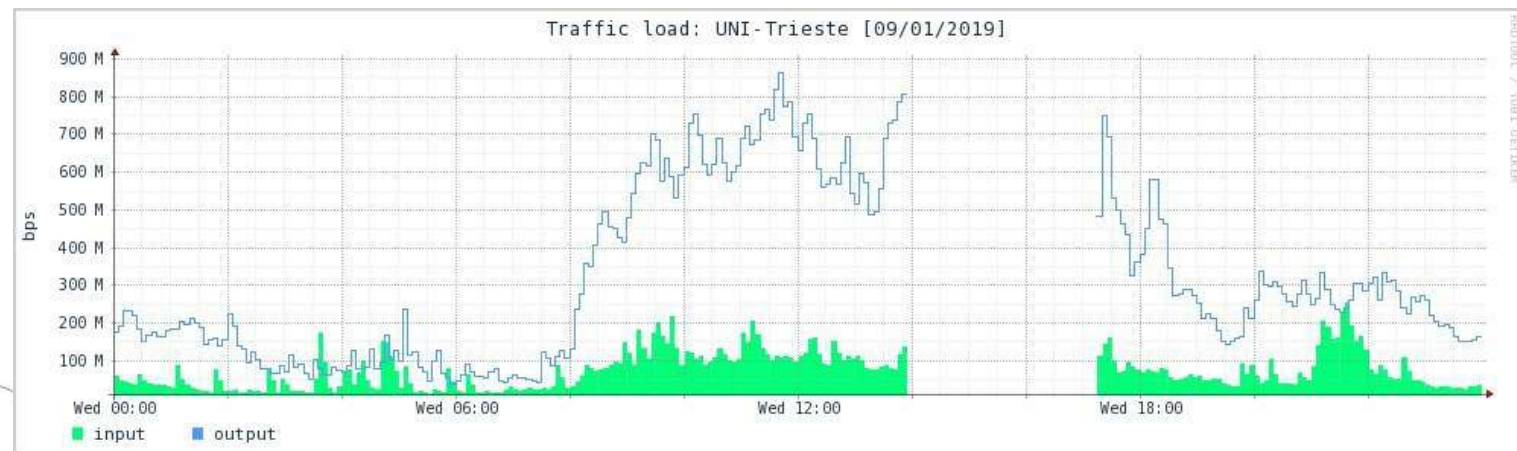
«Miha can you give us a layer2 path to GEANT?»

«sure, give me a few minutes to configure it»

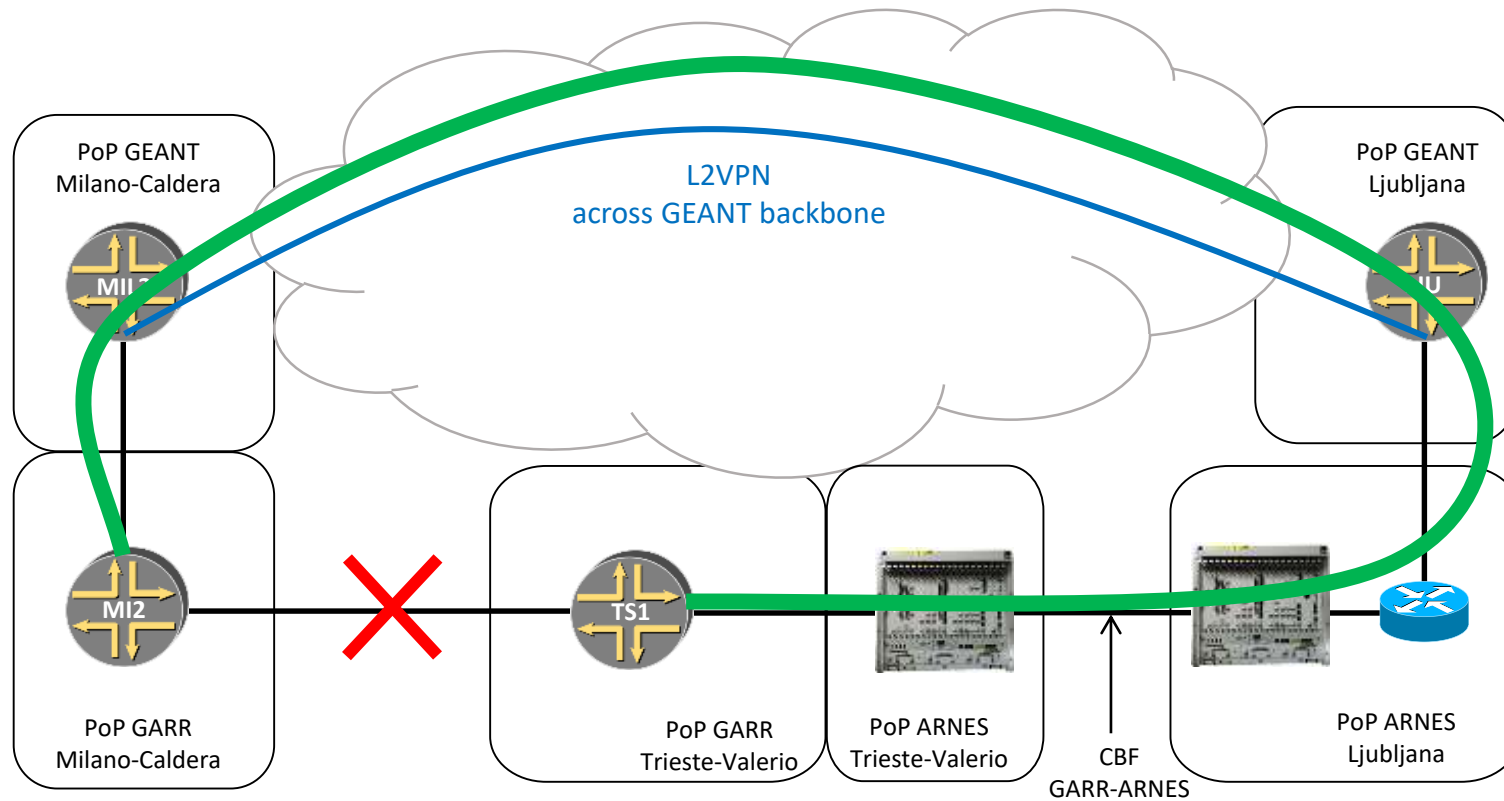


# A short timeframe

13:57 the Telecom Italia fiber and the Irideos lambda go down at the same time  
14:05 Claudio realizes that he can only reach ARNES but nothing else, and calls NOC  
15:20 Miha Dimec receives a call from a panicking Marco  
15:34 Marco writes a request email to GEANT for a backhaul  
16:45 GEANT configures the L2VPN Ljubljana-Milan  
17:24 OSPF adjacency up, traffic starts (yay!)  
00:39 the Irideos lambda comes back up  
02:00 the Telecom Italia fiber is spliced  
Alarm cleared, traffic goes back to the original path



## TRIESTE-MILAN emergency link





# Post-mortem analysis

The Telecom Italia and Irideos fibers use different cables, but have a common path along the A4 highway between Portogruaro and Latisana

There are ongoing highway works for the construction of the 3<sup>rd</sup> lane, and will last at least until end 2020

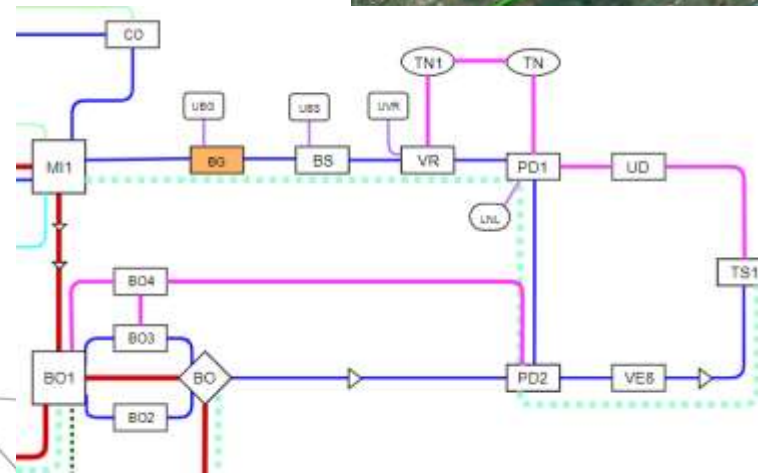
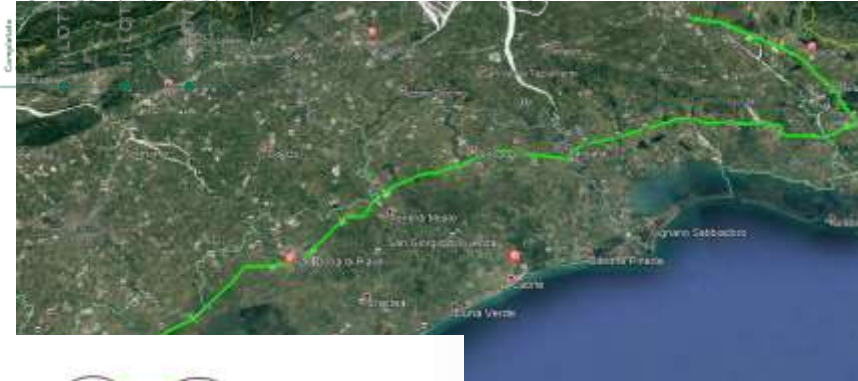
We had identified and solved other infrastructure weaknesses, but this one was not known

The GEANT fiber provided by Interoute goes via the SS14, not the A4 and was not affected by the cut

There was ANOTHER double fiber cut later in Spring, but this time nobody, apart GARR NOC, realized this. ☺

We have a plan for a new fiber path to Trieste that will be implemented together with the new transmissive platform, operational in 2021

Therefore we will need ARNES support for quite some time!



# Lessons learnt

- It took 2 (two) hours to design and implement a solution crossing 3 domains and many devices
- Thanks to :
  - people knowing each other
  - people knowing each other's setup and procedures
  - long standing cooperation relationships
  - there was no paperwork needed, no meeting, no kick-off, no plan.
- Just two phone calls, an email, a skype chat
- And a well deserved snack and a beer afterwards

**We are NRENs !**

**This result would have never been possible in the commercial world**

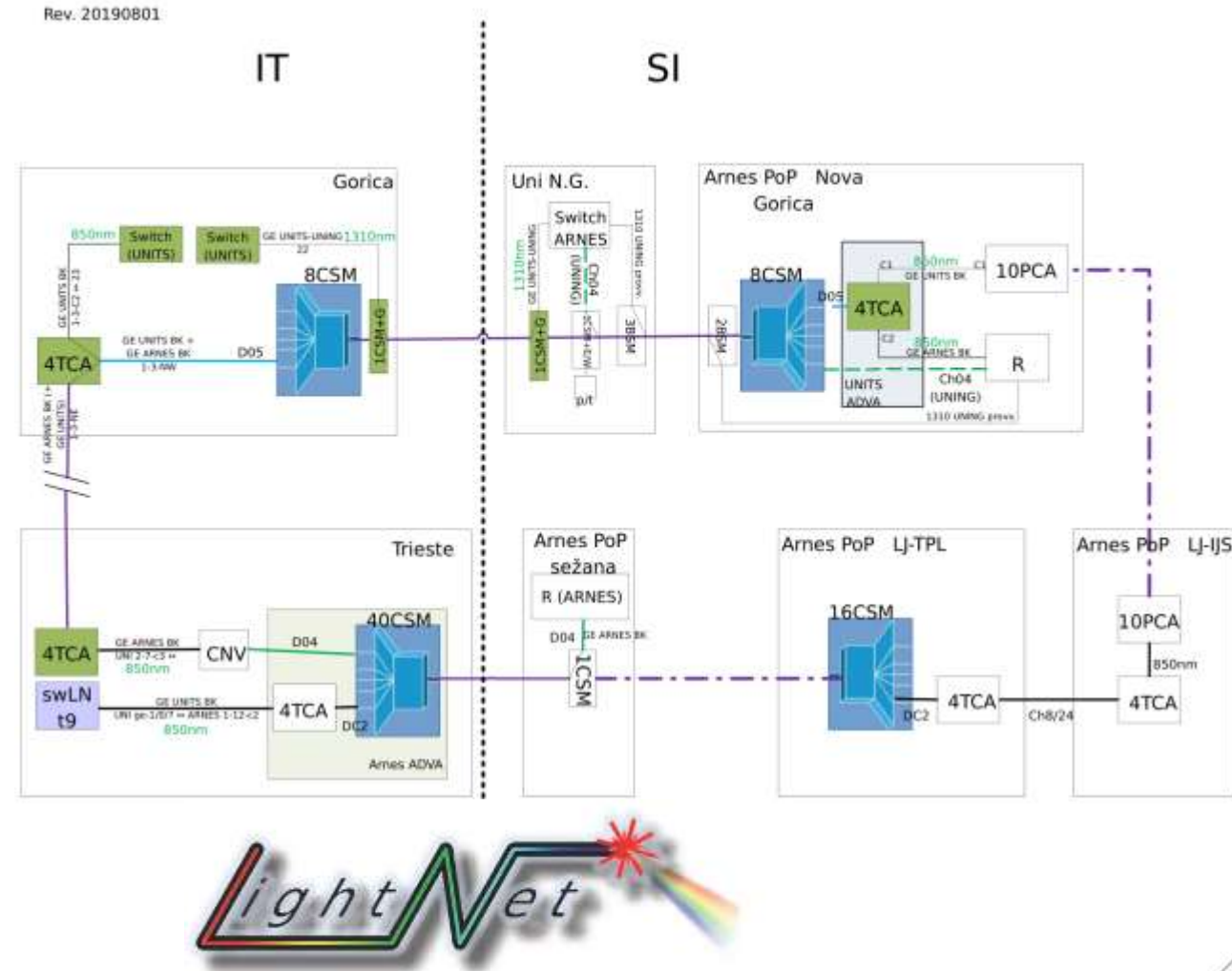
# The GARR-ARNES-LightNet collaboration

## Two cross border fiber links

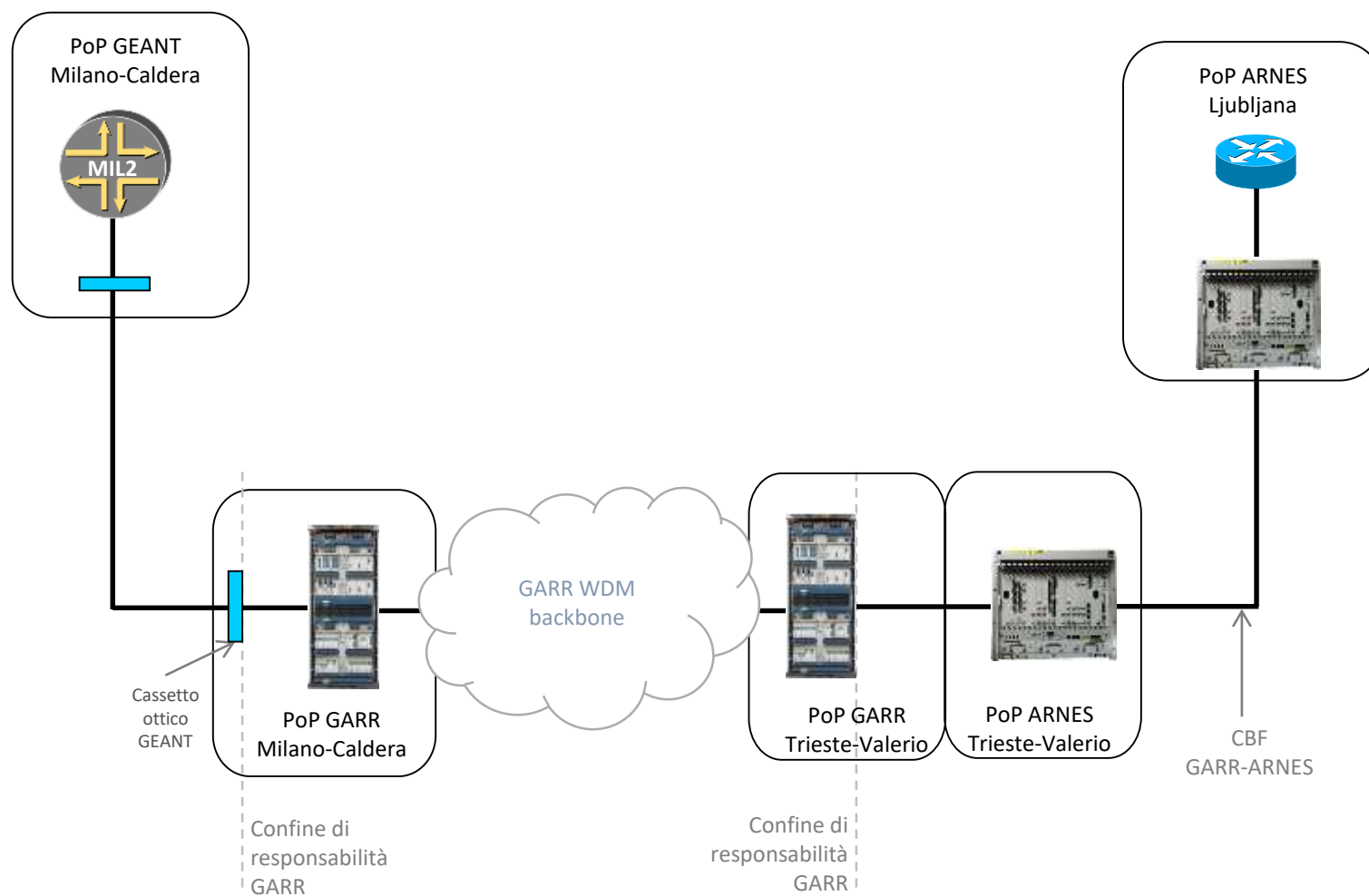
- The main one between Trieste and Sežana
- A second one between Gorizia and Nova Gorica

## Services on these links:

- 10G Trieste-Ljubljana for peering, LHCONe, Trieste GARR PoP backup
- 10G Milan-Ljubljana for ARNES backup to GEANT PoP in Milan
- 1G backup for Nova Gorica ARNES PoP via Lightnet, the Trieste MAN
- 1G backup for Gorizia Lightnet PoP via ARNES
- 1G e2e between Conservatorio Tartini e Akademija za Glasbo in Ljubljana



# ARNES backup to GEANT PoP in Milano



# The HPC scenario

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# The new HPC datacentre in Bologna

- One of the biggest data centers in Europe (100.000 m<sup>2</sup>) is being built at Bologna Tecnopolo
- Old tobacco factory, buildings protected by the law as an architectural heritage
- Many R&E and government agencies will settle there
- ECMWF new, huge datacenter will enter into service in 2020
- There will be another 20MW datacenter used for HPC (pre-Exascale) & HTC (new LHC Tier1)

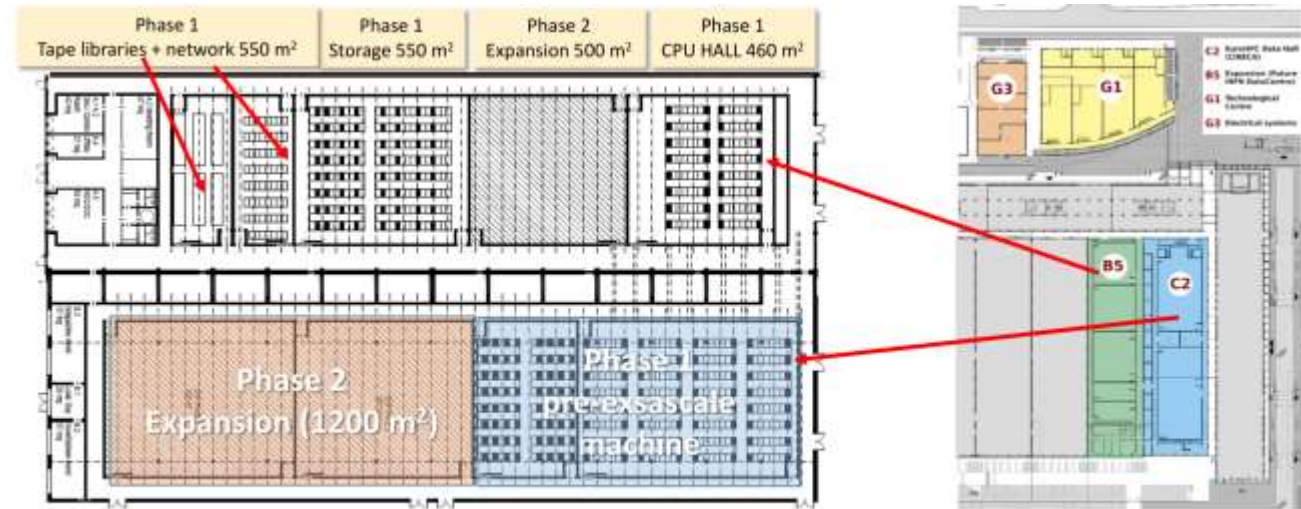




# The Leonardo Consortium

The new pre-Exascale machine will be built by the Leonardo Consortium with Slovenia:

- Cineca (consortium leader)
- the Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MIUR)
- the National Institute of Nuclear Physics (INFN)
- International School of Advanced Studies (SISSA)
- with the support of the Emilia-Romagna Region
- The system will have a peak performance of 270 Petaflop/s and cost 240 million euro
- The new datacenter is designed to be extremely energy efficient (PUE ~1.1)
- Technological plants and infrastructures are sized for 20 MW, cooling for 5MW



# The GARR network at the Tecnopolo

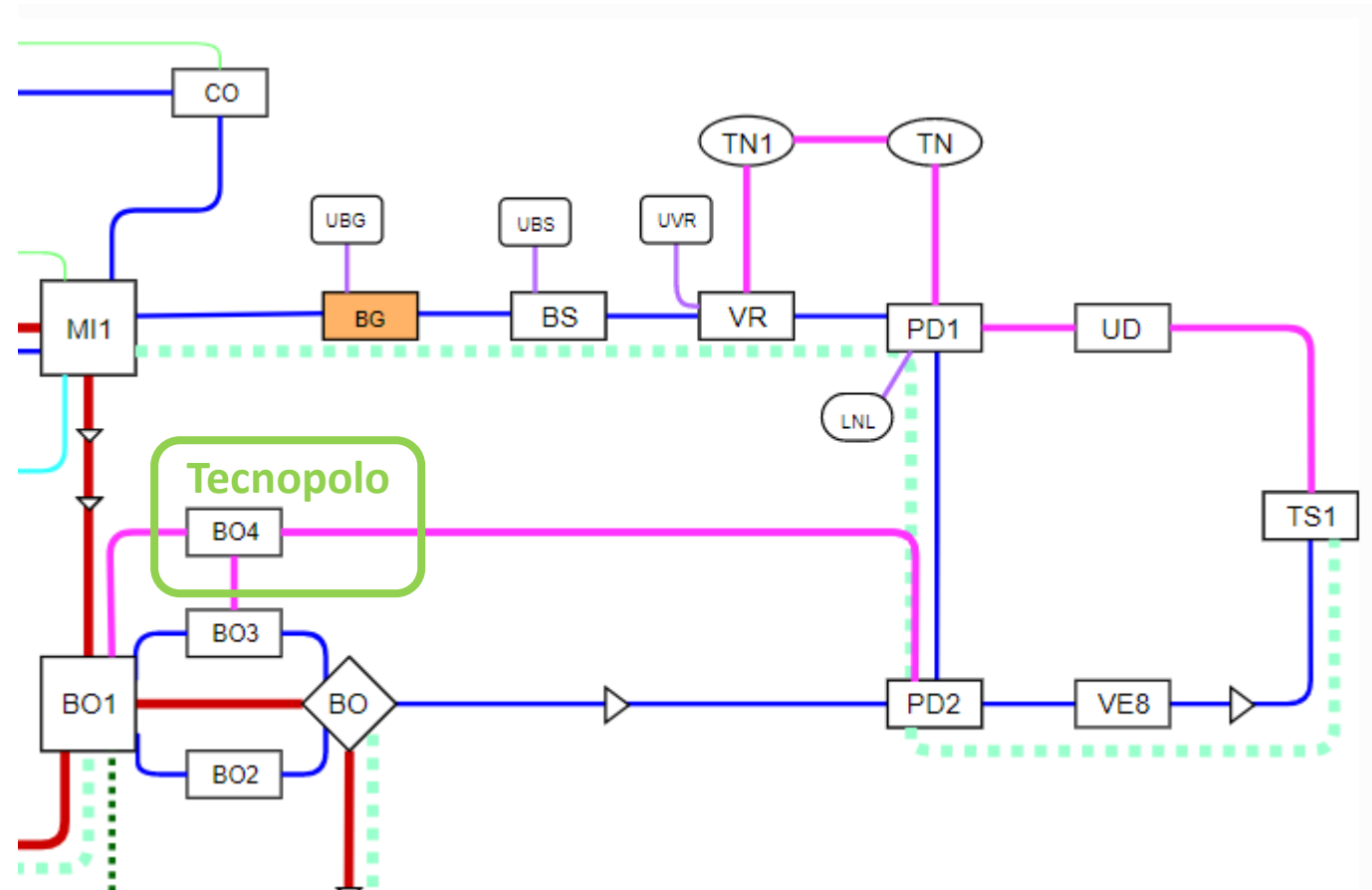
In 2021 a new GARR PoP will be operational at the Tecnopolo

New fibers and equipment are being procured

Several 100G links will be available from the beginning

A big leap will be required after 2025 (New Exascale machine, HL-LHC)

Connectivity to GÉANT and to ARNES will not be an issue



# THE END

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