

GN3 Architecture Workshops Personal Summary

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Observations

- No new architecture emerging
 - No fundamental change in networking
- Key components of future network identified
 - Need to make CBF real federate!
 - Need for a peering access infrastructure
 - Need for higher capacity 40G & 100G
 - No large-scale uptake of dynamic circuits
 - Need to support L2.5 "circuits"
- Recognition of central role of operations for multi-domain services and federated designs
- Emerging technologies backbone MPLS, carrier Ethernet, OTN





Recommendations

- Prolong life of existing platforms
 - upgrade path to 40G and 100G is supported
 - Extend contracts
- Make CBF work in current network
 - IP and optical
 - Pursue operations for federated designs
- Investigate key technologies for network overhaul in ~2 years, i.e.
 - OTN for circuit integration (GÉANT and NRENs), dynamic circuits
 - High-capacity MPLS for GN+, peering backbone, possible future IP backbone
 - JRA1 & JRA2 key! Ask for investigations.

