# Global Lambda Networking with GLIF Serving Demanding Applications Worldwide

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#### The Rise of e-Science

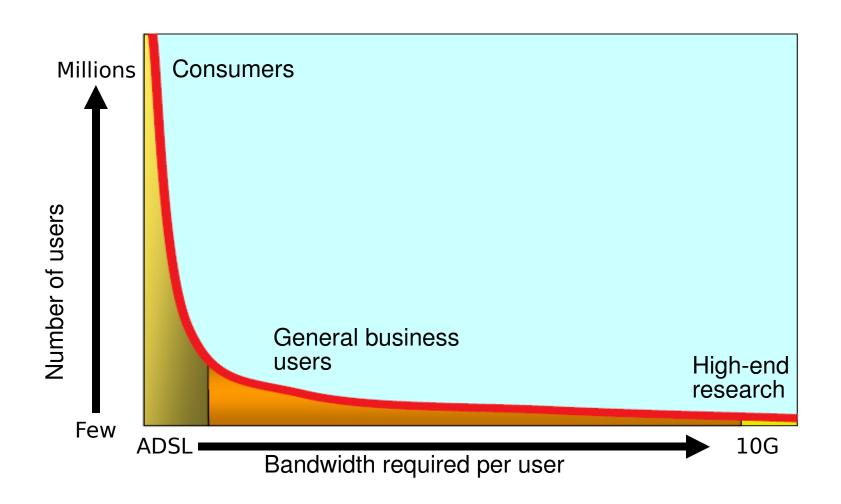


LHC: A large, shared scientific instrument with distributed (global) use and vast resource requirements.





# Not all users are equal





#### **Cost Concerns**

- Growth: demands, capacity, cost
  - In particular cost & power for routing
- Observations
  - Costs of optical port is 10% of switching port is 10% of router port with same capacity
  - Many high-volume traffic flows are community or project specific, with few & known sites
- Idea
  - Dedicated circuits for massive users
  - Go as low (in the protocol stack) as possible
  - Give each packet in the network the service it needs, but no more





# Lambda Networking

- Offload heavy users onto (simple) private circuitswitched networks
  - High performance for demanding users
  - Better service for average users on shared IP
  - Save capacity and cost on routed networks
  - As a bonus, private networks provide predictable network properties (i.e., true QoS)
- Challenges
  - Capability to set up, manage lambdas
  - Coordination for multi-domain lambdas
  - International connectivity
- Early experiments, collaborations ~2000-2001



#### **NORDUnet**

# 2003 Lambda Grid Workshop





# Founding of GLIF

- August 2003: third Lambda Workshop, in Reykjavik, hosted by NORDUnet and attached to the NORDUnet 2003 Conference
- 33 participants from Europe, Asia and North America agree to form forum for collaboration, coordination, and promotion for lambda networking:

GLIF: Global Lambda Integrated Facility





## **GLIF** vision

#### Linking the World with Light

- Facilitate large-scale application through sharing of network resources
- Optical networks are the central architectural element in support of the most demanding e-science applications.
- Hybrid networks are the next-generation networks
  - Dedicated lightpaths for guaranteed high-speed few-to-few usage.
  - High-speed packet-switched, routed, shared Internet for regular many-to-many usage
- Research should not have any geographical boundaries.





#### What is GLIF

- GLIF is a collaborative initiative among worldwide NREN's and institutions.
  - GLIF enables and coordinates collaborative splicing of (federated) networks from individual resources
  - "it's not a network"
- GLIF is a world-scale lambda-based laboratory to facilitate application and middleware development
  - Enable experiments and collaboration
  - Promote middleware development
  - Facilitate novel applications
- Forum for discussion & presentation of progress on major challenges
  - Example: Control plane development





# **GLIF** Organization

- Open to any organization sharing a vision of optical interconnection of facilities, who voluntarily contribute network resources (e.g. equipment, lambdas) or actively participate in relevant activities
- Lightweight governance structure.
   GLIF is managed as a cooperative activity
- GLIF has participants, not members
- GLIF is an open community
- Secretariat functions provided by TERENA with contributions from sponsors





#### **Activities in GLIF**

- Resource coordination
  - Open lightpath exchanges like internet exchange points for IP
  - Glueing together infrastructure
  - Coordination lists and meeting
- Short-lived Task Forces
  - Develop procedures, document best practice
  - Propose standards (but not a standards body)
  - Tools development & trials
  - Example: PerfSONAR taskforce
- Workshops every 6 months





# 1<sup>st</sup> Generation (2004)

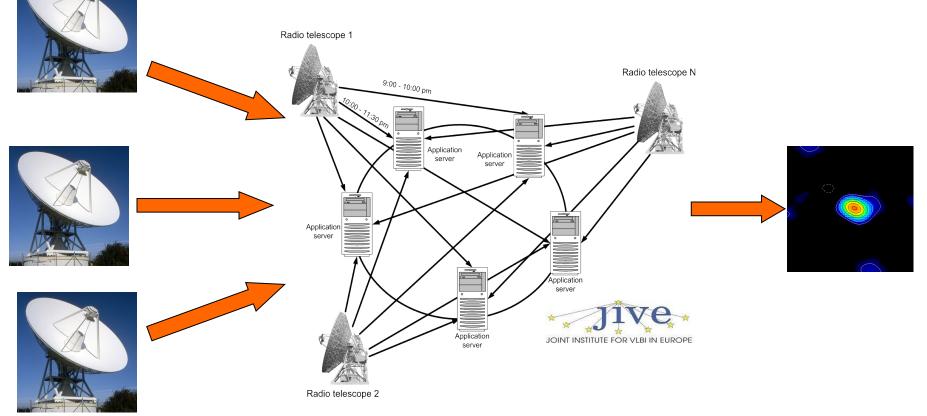
- First NORDUnet lambda platform
- Services
  - 10G / 2.5 G shared IP
  - 1G (subrate) Ethernet lightpath service
- Design
  - Based entirely on leased lines
  - Cisco ONS 15454 SONET lambda service platform, OC48 carrier
  - Lambda service platform and IP service platform separate infrastructures (w/ shared PoP's)
  - Leased OC48 to NetherLight





# (e-)VLBI

 Very long baseline virtual radiotelescope, created by correlating outputs of multiple actual radiotelescopes (VLBI)







# iGrid 2005 e-VLBI demo







# **GLIF** terminology

- GOLE: GLIF open lightpath exchange, comprised of one or more network devices performing lightpath switching.
- lambda: a high-capacity (optical) circuit which terminates on a GOLE
- lightpath [service]: a high capacity circuit or QoS-supported virtual circuit (or the concatenation of several of these to form an endend lightpath). A lightpath can take up a portion or all of the capacity of a lambda.
- GLIF network resources: GOLEs and lambdas





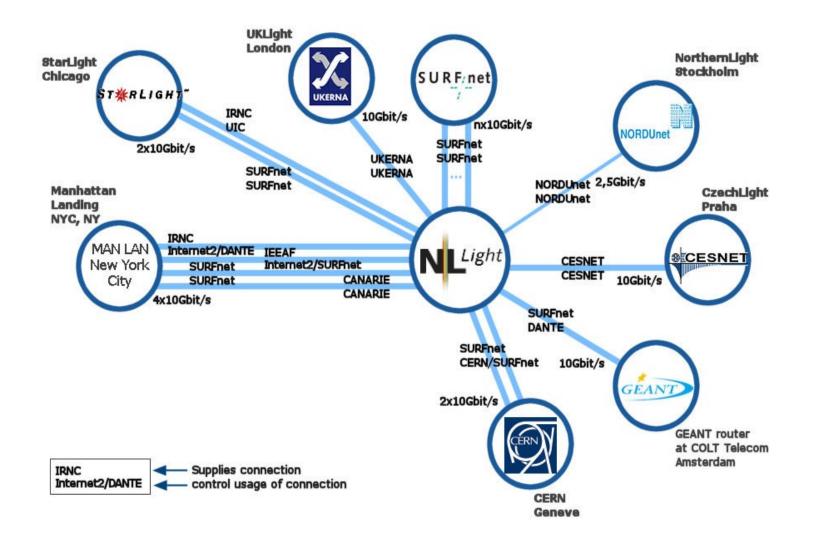
#### A GOLE

- The key infrastructure of the GLIF collaboration
- Open Exchange Points for circuit-switched networks – in the tradition of IP Internet Exchanges
- Everyone can bring a circuit and exchange traffic with everyone else
- A GOLE is typically a SDH/SONET switch matrix, possibly with (next-generation) Ethernet and photonic switching
- Each GOLE will have lambdas connecting it to other GOLEs





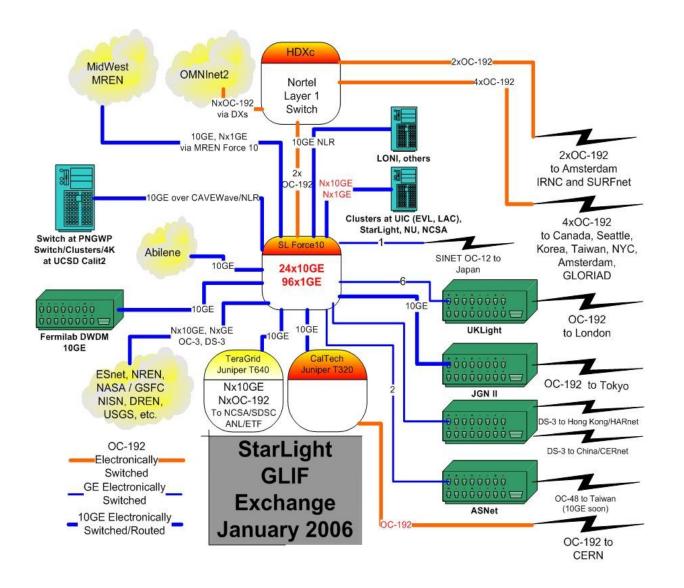
# Topology of a GOLE







# An Example GOLE







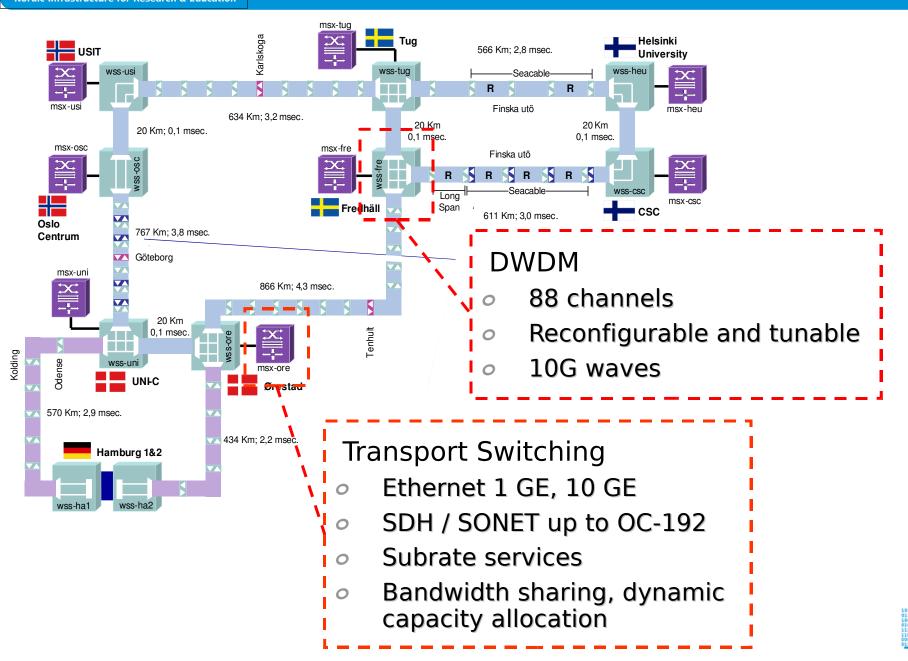
# GOLE to GOLE networking

- In GLIF, end-to-end connectivity is constructed by piecing together circuits from GOLE to GOLE, eventually connecting end-sites
- There are GOLEs all over the globe
- GOLEs are typically operated by NRENs
- Coordination through GOLE operator meetings, mailing lists, personal network
- Resource sharing no inter-GOLE payment system established



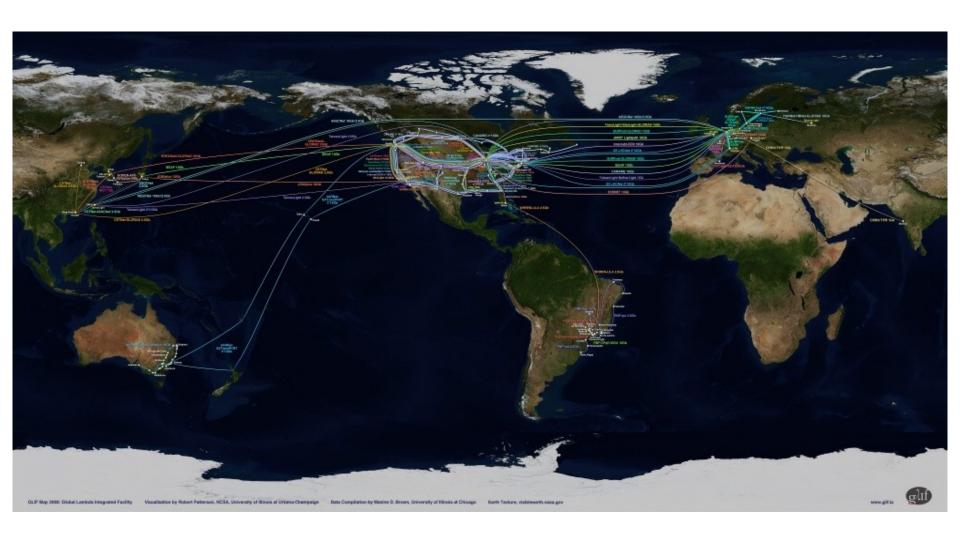
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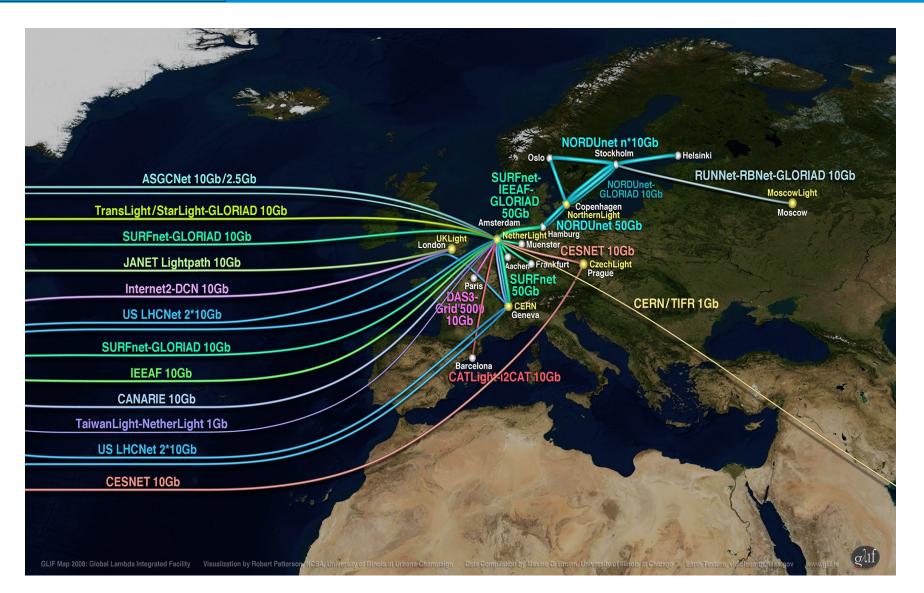
### Lambdas across the world







### A European view







#### Live 4k video across the globe

- Collaboration between KTH and Keio University, Japan
- Challenge
  - Stream the Kyoto price ceremony, live, from Kyoto to Stockholm, using 4k video (Nov. 2007)
  - Use Sony projector, NTT encoder / decoder
- 4k video cinema quality
  - 4096 x 2160 pixels 4x HDTV 1080p
  - Uncompressed 4k = 8.6 Gbps
- 10G circuit provisioned in two weeks
  - GLIF resources, GOLE-to-GOLE
  - Across Pacific, North America, Atlantic, N. Europe



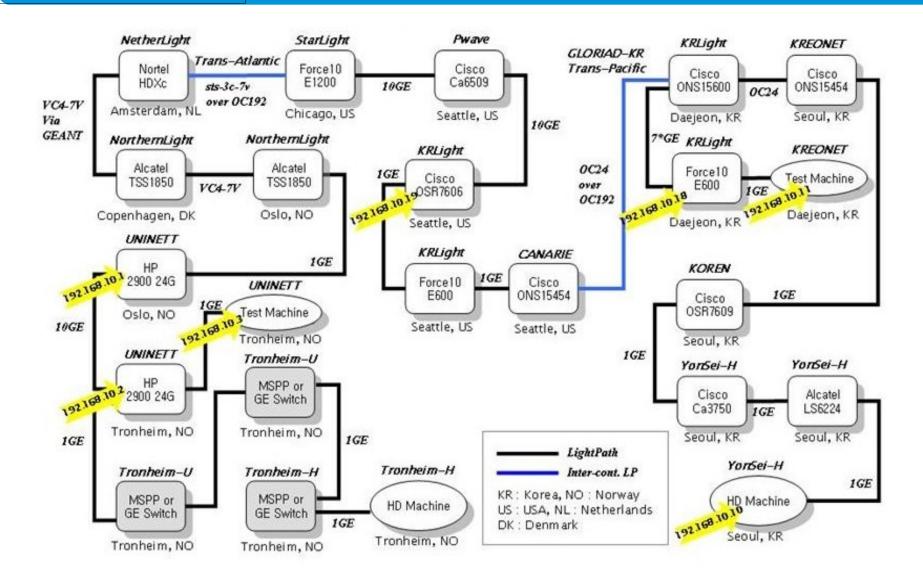


# Korea – Norway Medical

- Medical Media HD Live Transmission
  - From Seoul, Korea to Trondheim, Norway
  - Test technologies for HD live medical surgery transmission
  - Viewing laparoscopy surgery in High Definition Video enable doctors to collaborate, learn, and see details normally not available
- Video Streaming
  - 800 Mbps, low jitter required
  - Dedicated 1 GE link Norway Korea provide by collaboration in GLIF



#### The Network







# The Results







#### From Experiments to Production

- Demand of e-Science is growing
  - Initial experiments were successful now users expect a service – predictable, ubiquitous
  - New advanced user communities are appearing, expecting permanent infrastructures with local and global reach
- Advanced infrastructure is taken for granted
  - Vast network capacity (as well as massive storage and computing resources) is expected by e-Science projects; massive projects depend on this infrastructure.
  - It's the way science is done not an exciting experiment





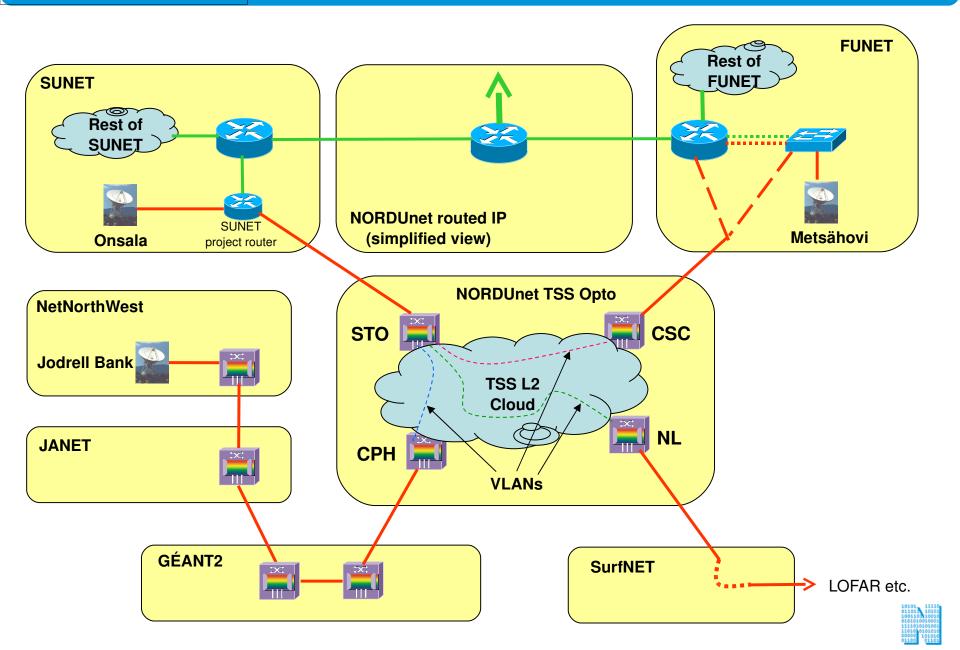
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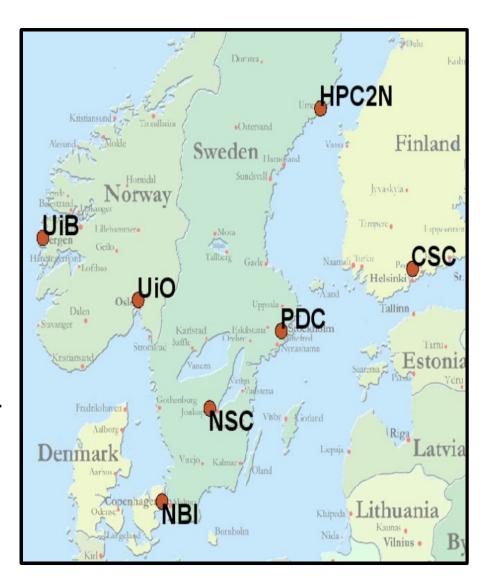
#### Nordic Astronomy OPN





#### NDGF Tier-1 for WLCG

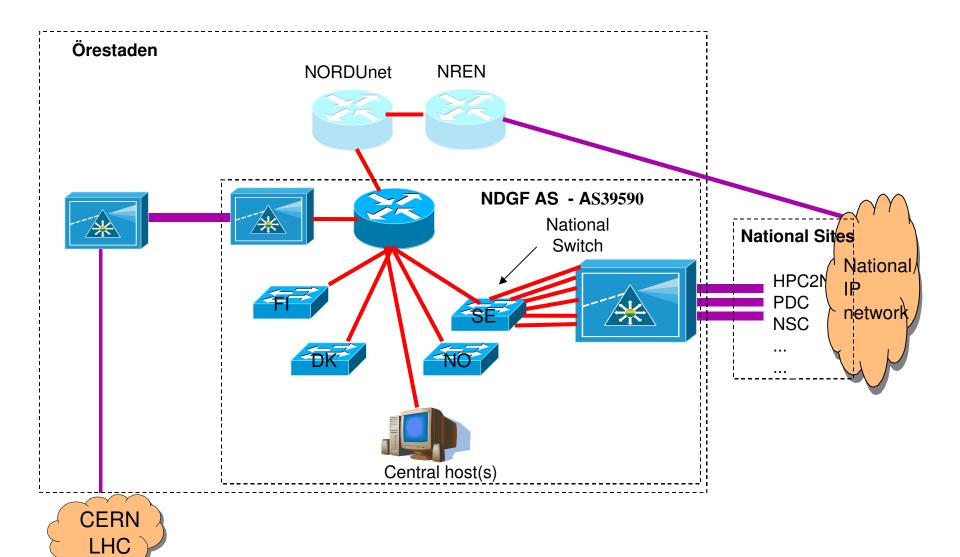
- A virtual HPC centre, made of resources from major Nordic HPC sites
- Resources (Storage and Computing) are scattered
- 10G Private Network + 10G connections to CERN, Amsterdam, Ljubljana







#### NDGF Tier-1 Network



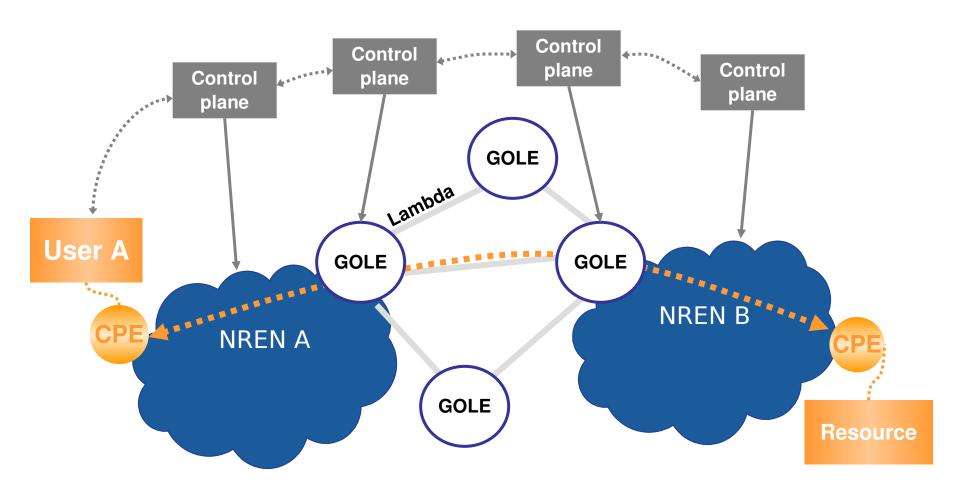




# Optical Networking trends

- More bandwidth at lambda level
  - 10G now standard
  - 40G here, 100G coming soon
- More flexible handling of lambdas
  - From static configurations to tunable lasers and filters
  - Wavelength Selector Switches for flexible routing of entire lambdas in the optical domain
  - Alien waves for inter-domain lambdas
- Dynamic configuration
  - Allows control plane systems to alter lambda routes "on the fly"









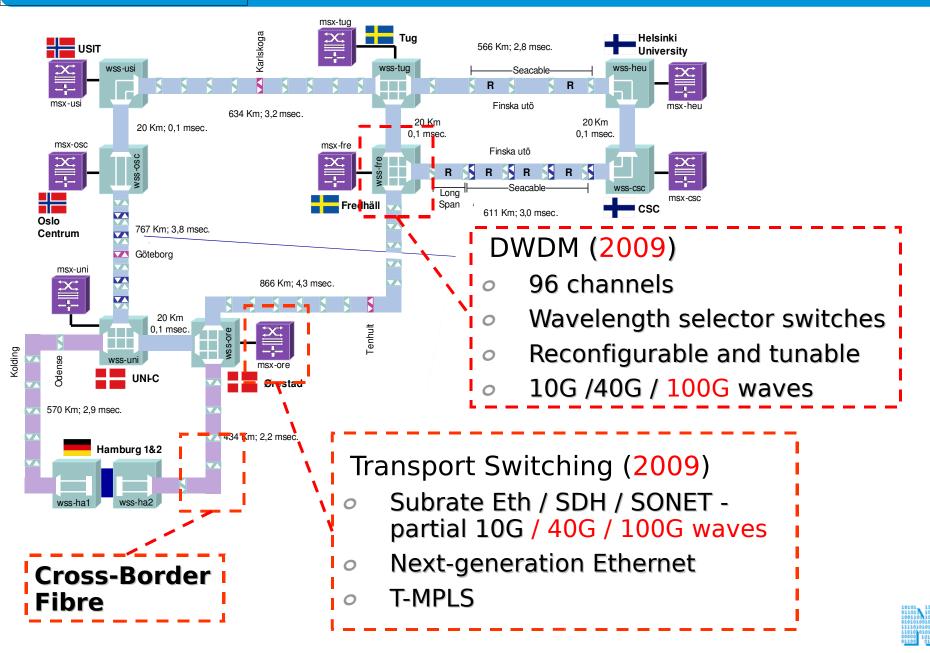
## Multi-domain control planes

- Users need ubiquitous end-to-end lightpath connectivity over a multi-domain infrastructure
- How to glue things together
  - Cooperation between networks requires a shared control plane
  - Centralized models will not scale and will have role and authority issues
- Create a loose cooperation between domains
  - Standardized interfaces between domains
  - Create user friendly AAA features
  - Promote middleware developments (and embedding)



#### NORDUnet 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation: WSS (2008+)

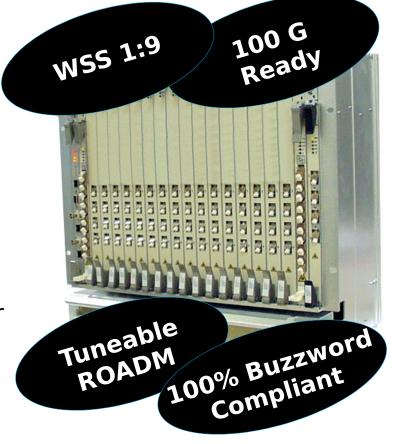
Nordic Infrastructure for Research & Education



# NORDUnet

# ALU 1626 Light Manager

- Wavelength Selector Switches
  - LH/ULH up to 96 channels
  - Add/Drop 72 channels
- Automatic system alignment
- Enhanced functionality
  - Tuneable filters
  - 50 GHz filters
- Long Haul:
  - Fully Tuneable ROADM
- Fully C band tuneable interfaces over any interface
  - 10 G Universal Transponder
    - STM-64
    - 10GE WAN & LAN
  - 40G transponder
    - PSBT (50 GHz SH)
    - qDPSK (50 GHz LH/ULH)
- Embedded Optical Protection
- Raman Amplification



- Same modules for OADM and ILA
  - Shelf
  - Amplifier

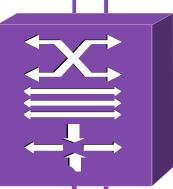


# NORDUnet Nordic infrastructure for Research & Education

# ALU 1850 TSS-320

#### **SDH/SONET**

- STM-1, 4, 16 & 64
- Cross-Connection
- Termination
- ETH Mapping over SDH
- Complete Scope of SDH/SONET Features



#### **Ethernet**

- 10GE LAN/WAN Optical
- GE Optical
- 10/100/1000 Electrical
- ETH Traffic Classification
- Complete Scope of Ethernet Features

#### **CWDM**

- Terminal, Hub, OADM Ring
- Stacked C-WDM Rings

#### **MSPP**

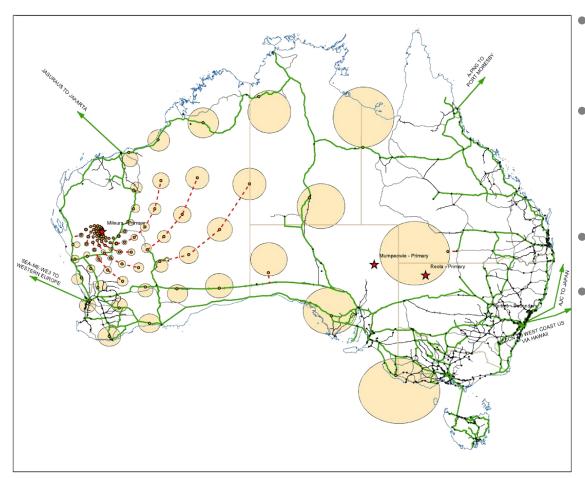
- CLI, SNMP and TL1
- 2008 GMPLS feature set

1850 TSS-320





# Square kilometre Array



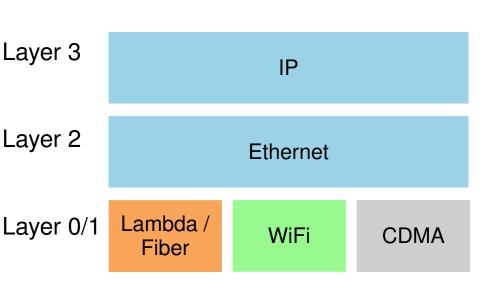
- \$2Bn investment in infrastructure
- Real-time data analysis at petabits per second
- Storage >40 years
- Building the world's largest computational & data facility in one of the world's most isolated locations





# Heterogeneous Networking

- Don't attempt to build a single, complex network from different access, backhaul and core networks
- Hide the differences between technologies inside the relevant layers
- Give users freedom to use the network at each layer in any way they want







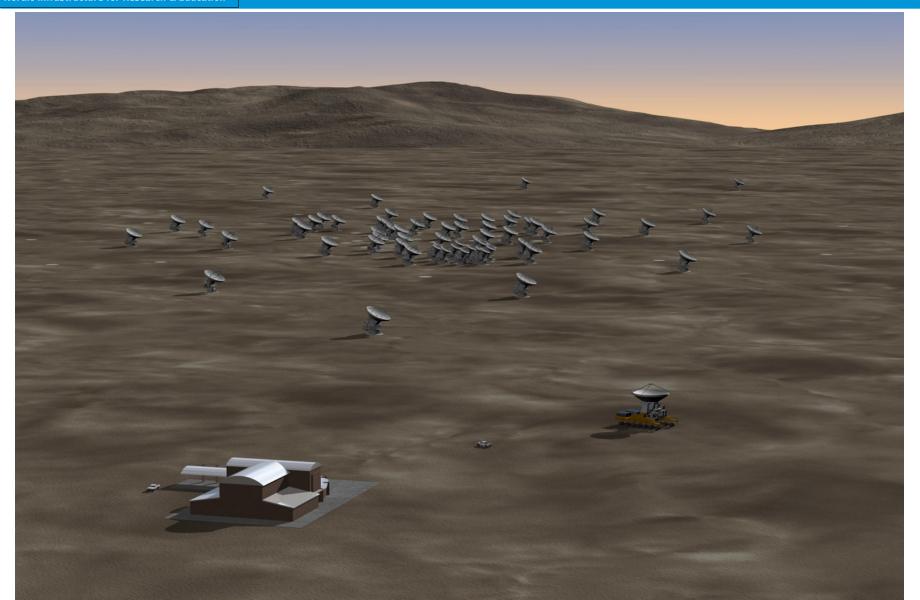
# Reaching users

- So far innovative applications have to come to the emerging GLIF infrastructure
- The challenge is to bring GLIF to the desktop of researchers and to scientific instruments
  - Bringing dark fiber to remote instruments
  - Need for global collaboration to ensure global network reach
  - Bringing hybrid networking and lambda switching capability to campus LANs
- Network virtualization as a means to create heterogeneous networks of pure lambda resources and shared IP infrastructure





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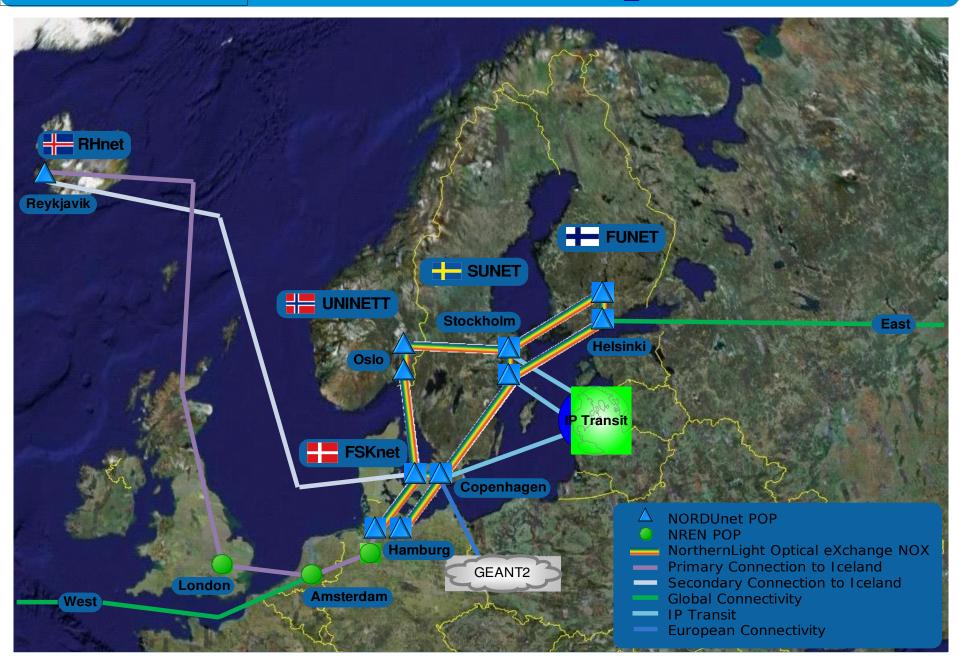


# **ALMA** transporter





# NorthernLight 2008





#### Nordic NREN Optical Networks

#### Sweden: SUNET

- Dark Fibre & DWDM acquired
- Ligthpath service in operation
- Ciena

#### Denmark: Forskningsnet

- Dark Fibre & DWDM acquired
- Lightpath Service being deployed
- AlcatelLucent

### Norway: UNINETT

- Dark Fibre & DWDM acquired
- Ligthpath service in operation
- Siemens

#### Finland: FUNET

- Dark Fibre & DWDM acquired
- Lightpath service being deployed
- NokiaSiemens Networks
- Iceland: RHnet
  - Dark fibre network in Reykjavik area





#### Some Next Steps

#### Dynamic Circuit Networking

- Nordic DCN solution NORDUnet and Nordic NRENs Interoperable with major DCN approaches
- NORDUnet will push for standardization of interfaces and development of demonstration implementations
- Participate in interoperability trials

### (Network) Virtualization

- FEDERICA: European testbed for network and service virtualization
- MANTICORE: Logical IP networks, integration of network virtualization across L1 - L3

#### Transmission

- Cross-border alien waves, multi-domain WSS
- 40G, 100G trials





## Thank you!

