

# GÉANT Infoshare: Management and monitoring of time & frequency services

## Optical carrier transfer (Frequency)

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# Agenda

- **RENATER optical network**
- **“REFIMEVE” T/F infrastructure in France**
- **IP connectivity in Inline Amplifier (ILA) sites**
- **Supervision and monitoring of T/F equipment**
- **Maintenance in operational condition and day-to-day routines**

# RENATER optical network

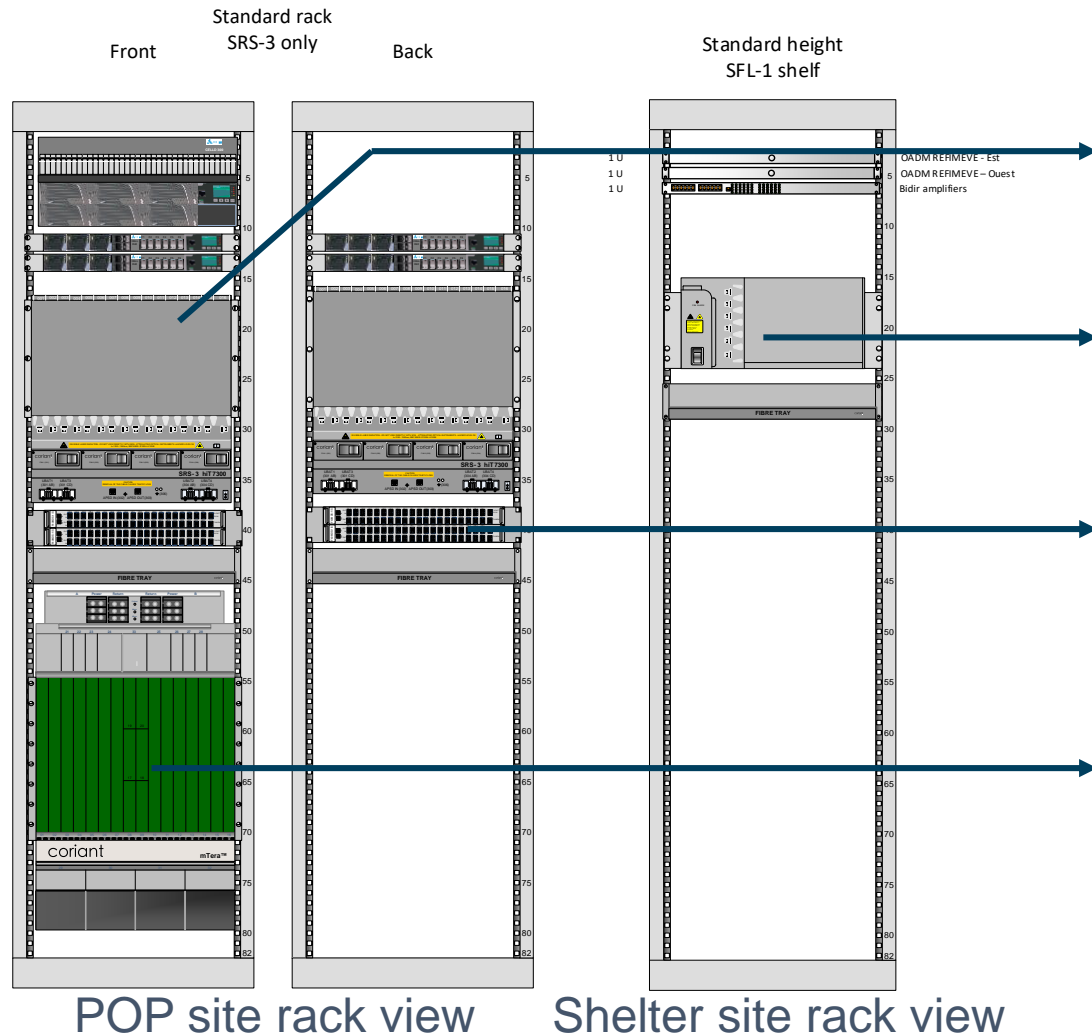


- Photonic layer
  - Mainly using **Infinera** equipment (ex CORIANT) to transmit, amplify and receive information
  - This equipment is procured on **8 years period**
  - **Contra-Raman pumps**, F-OADM, coherent network, QPSK or QAM modulations (up to 16 QAM)
  - In particular regions, some old CIENA equipment remains (10G QPSK)
- NSOC
  - **Outsourced** (8 years period contract)
- Fibre footprint
  - ≈ **12 000 km** of dark fiber (mainly G.652)  
4th European NREN with the largest dark fiber footprint (Compendium 2019),
  - IRU mostly, for a **10-13** years period contract





# RENATER optical network



## Hit 7300 SRS3 and SFL type shelves

- Optical power amplification, channel power adjustment (VOA), power monitoring (MCP)
- Large range of amplifiers : inline, booster and pre-amplifier
- Combination with RAMAN pump to improve distance or Baud rate
- Optical (Och/OMS) protection

## Mux/Demux filter:

- 40 channels in C-Band
- Channel central frequency spacing of 100 GHz

## mTera

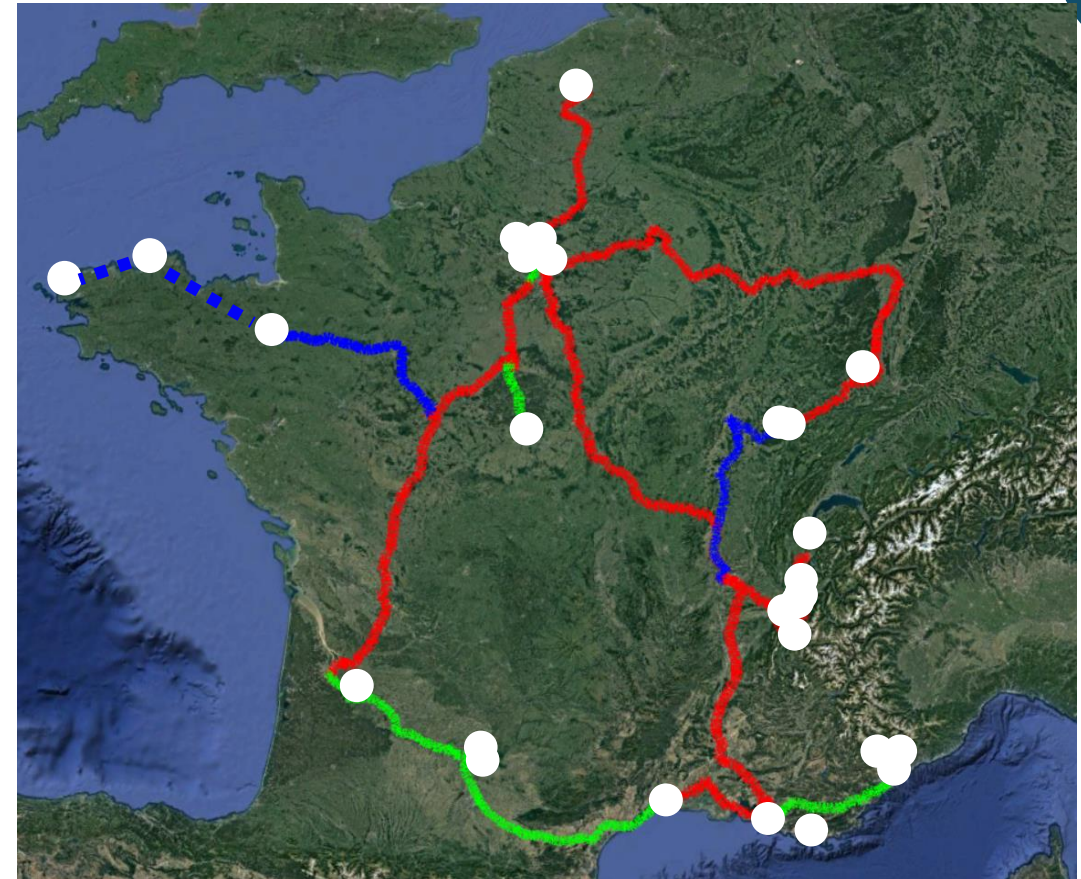
- Client service interfaces : 10 GE, 100 GE
- Line interface (transponders) : OTU4, OTU4c2
- Cross-connect OTN
- Packet switching
- ODU protection

# “REFIMEVE” T/F infrastructure in France

- Two projects

**REFIMEVE+** (2012-2024) and **T-REFIMEVE** (2021-2028)

- Bidirectional propagation required
- @1542,14nm, **ch.44** ITU-T (dark channel setup)
- spectral occupation <**10kHz**, output power <**3dBm**
- Ultrastable signal (fractional frequency stability  $10^{-15}$  at 1s **≈1 000 better than White Rabbit**  $10^{-12}$ )
- Observatoire de Paris (NMI), Laboratoire de Physique des Lasers (LPL) + RENATER + 17&24 academic laboratories



— T-REFIMEVE — Operating T/F — Future T/F

# “REFIMEVE” T/F infrastructure in France

## Feedbacks

**3 123/4 898 km** of fibre equipped, **TRL 9**  
**12 years** of T/F cohabiting with data traffic  
(Alcatel, Ciena and Coriant)

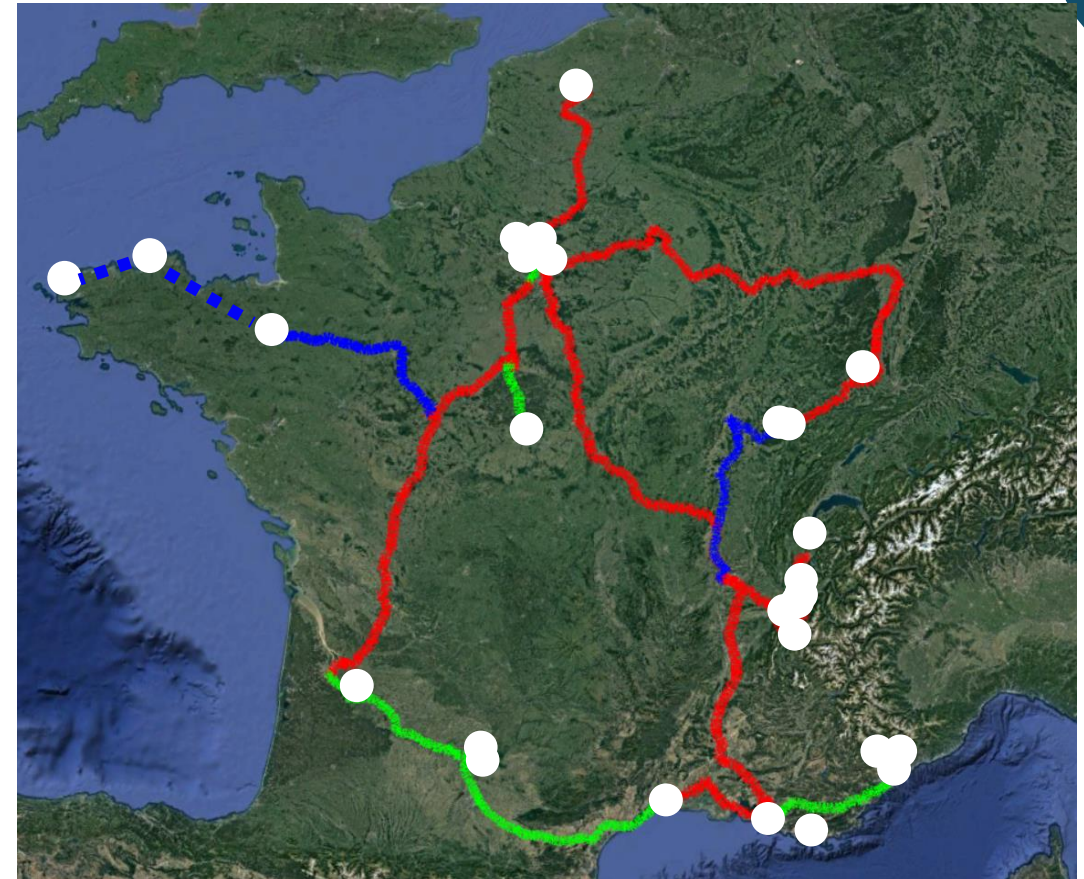
Supervised by successive RENATER NSOC (Thales and CCNS)

**Propagating without gardband**

RENATER IP End-users have **never** been impacted by T/F service

## REFIMEVE

- national Research Infrastructures (RI) since **2021**,
- first national T/F network contribution to **T/F European Research Infrastructures**



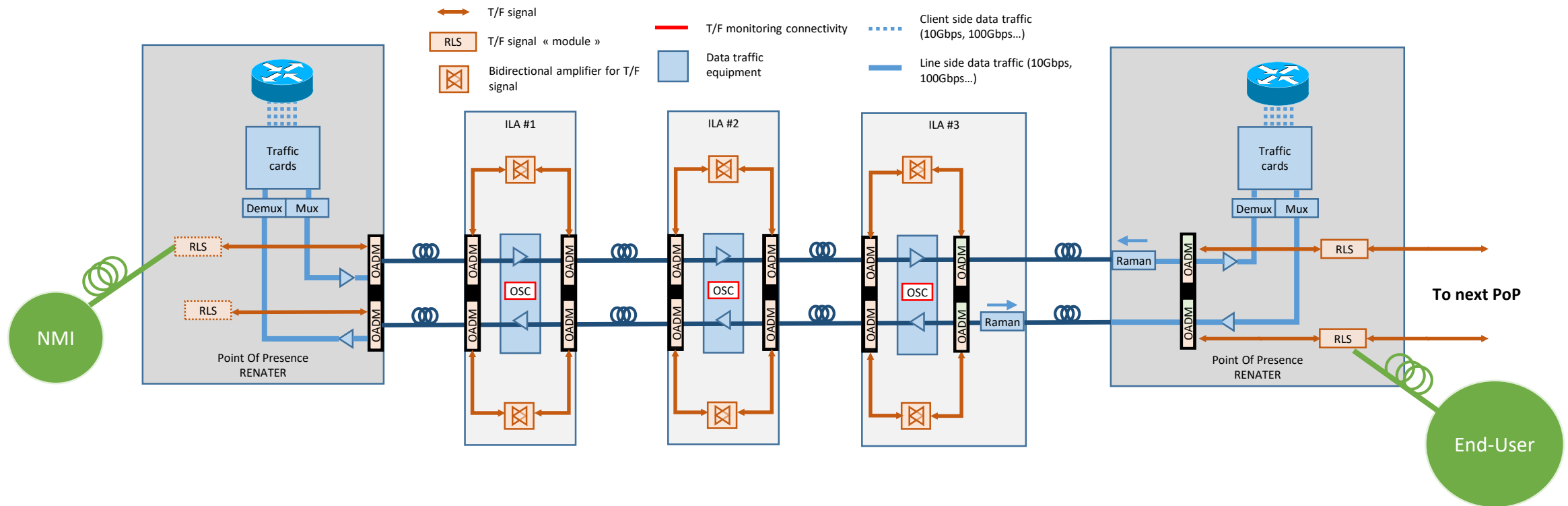
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## Typical T/F link in France



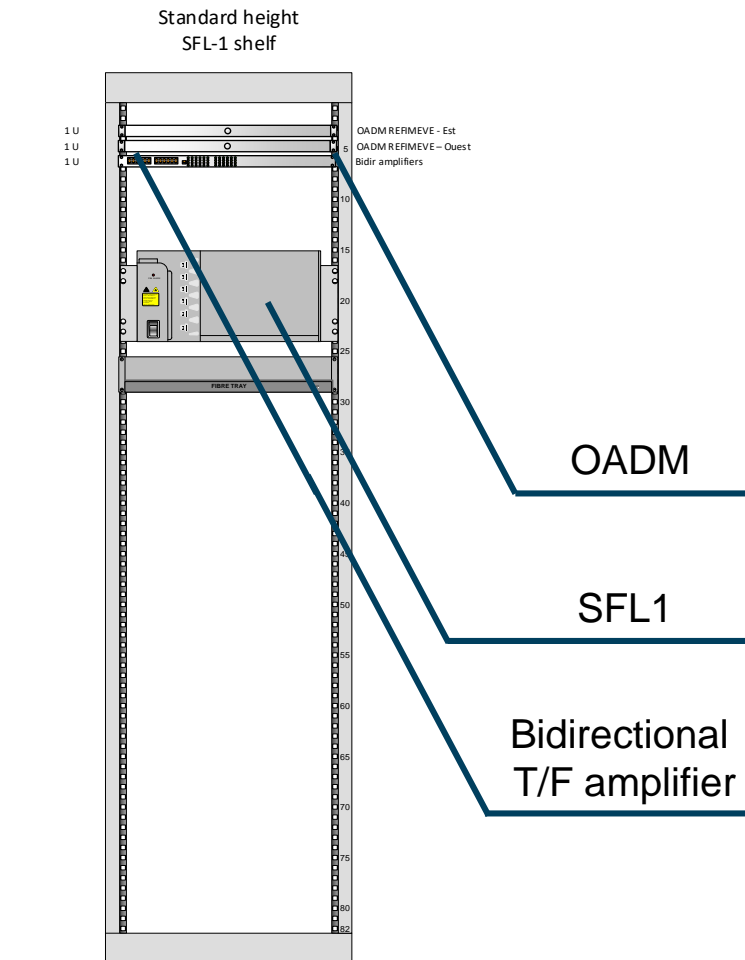
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RLS  
Repeater Laser Station



Dedicated rack view



Shelter site rack view





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## Reapeter Laser Station (RLS)



**ixblue**

<https://www.ixblue.com/>

Optical	Wavelength (THz or nm)	194.4THz
	Spectral occupation	<5GHz
	max Output power (dBm)	3dBm
	min Input power (dBm)	-60dBm
	Connector type	FC/APC
Hosting	Typical Power consumption	120W
	Alimentation	220V AC
	Dimensions	19", 540mm, 7RU
	Weight (kg)	7kg
IP	Connectivity port	10/100/1000 Base-T port
	Protocols	SNMPv3 and SSH

# “REFIMEVE” T/F infrastructure in France



## Bidirectional amplifiers and OADM



<https://www.lumibird.com/>

		T/F Amplifiers	OADM
Optical	max Output power (dBm)	3dBm	X
	min Input power (dBm)	-50dBm	X
	Typical gain (dB)	14dB	X
	Connector type	FC/APC	FC/APC and LC/PC
Hosting	Typical Power consumption (W)	<15W	passive
	Alimentation	-48V DC	X
	Dimensions	19", 240mm, 1RU	19", 240mm, 1RU
	Weight (kg)	2kg	0,5kg
IP	Connectivity port	10/100 Base-T port	X
	Protocols	SNMPv2 and SSH	X

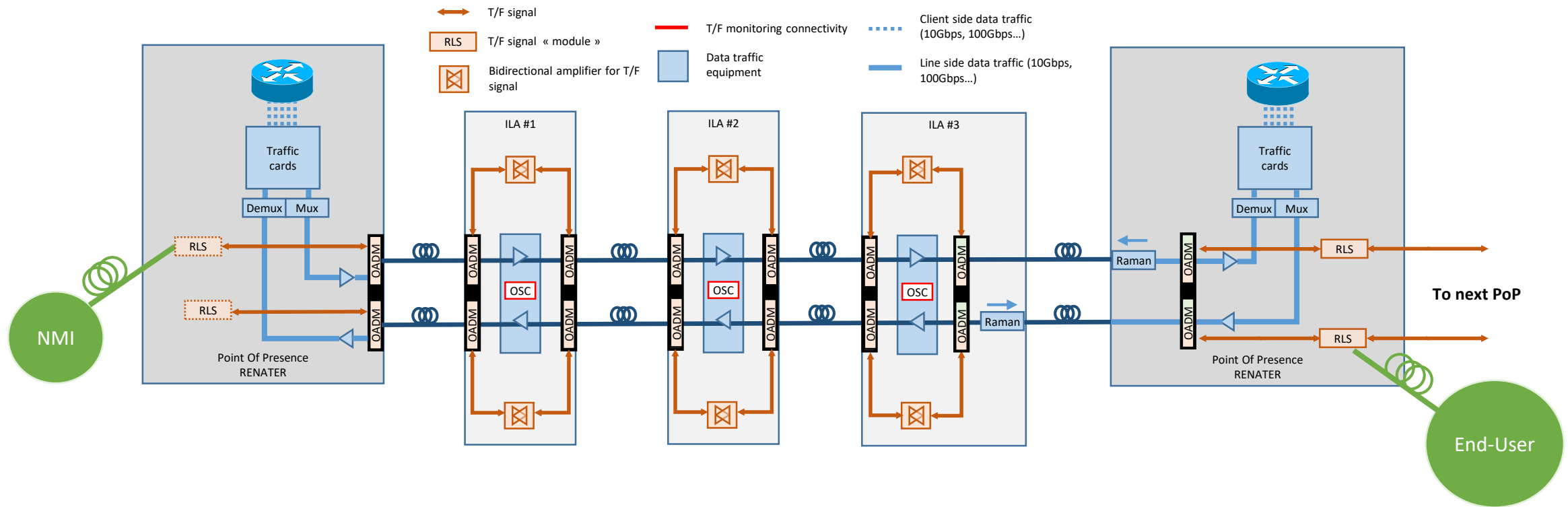


<https://www.infractive.com/>

# IP connectivity in Inline Amplifier (ILA) sites



## IP connectivity in PoP and ILA

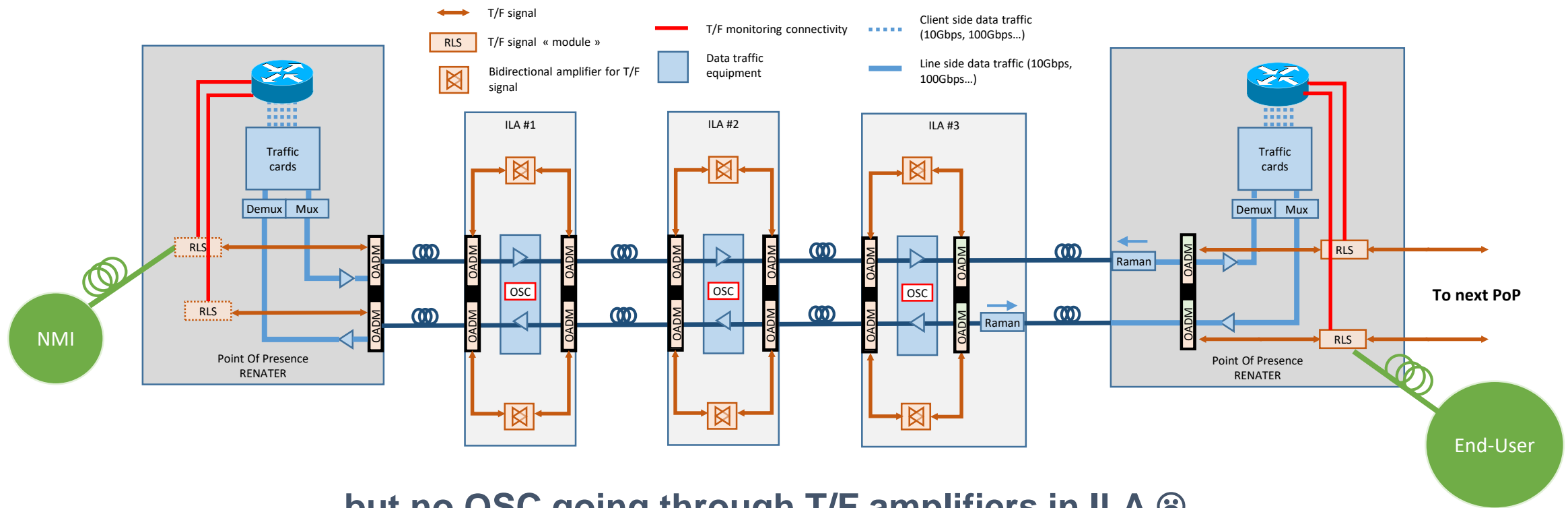




# IP connectivity in Inline Amplifier (ILA) sites



## Easy in PoP thanks to routers

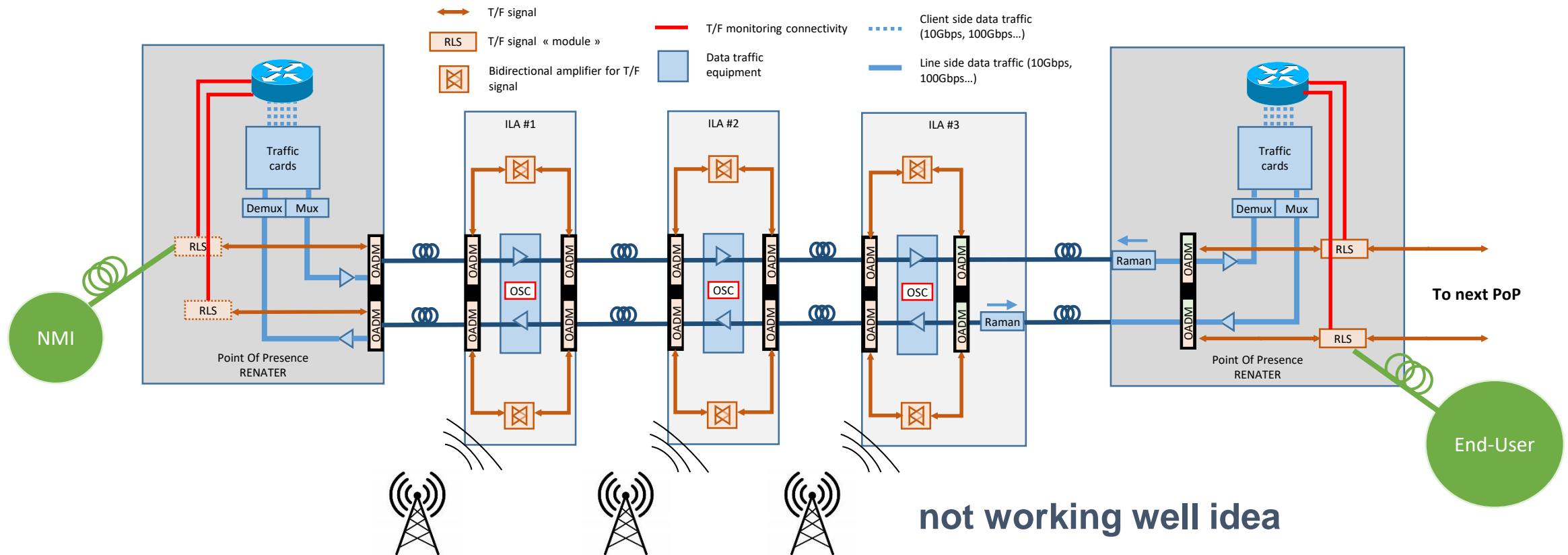


.... but no OSC going through T/F amplifiers in ILA ☹

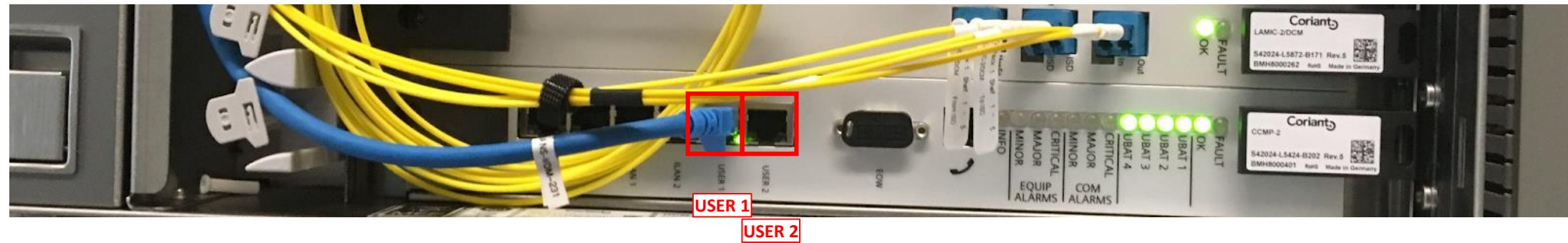
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## First solution in 2012 using GSM

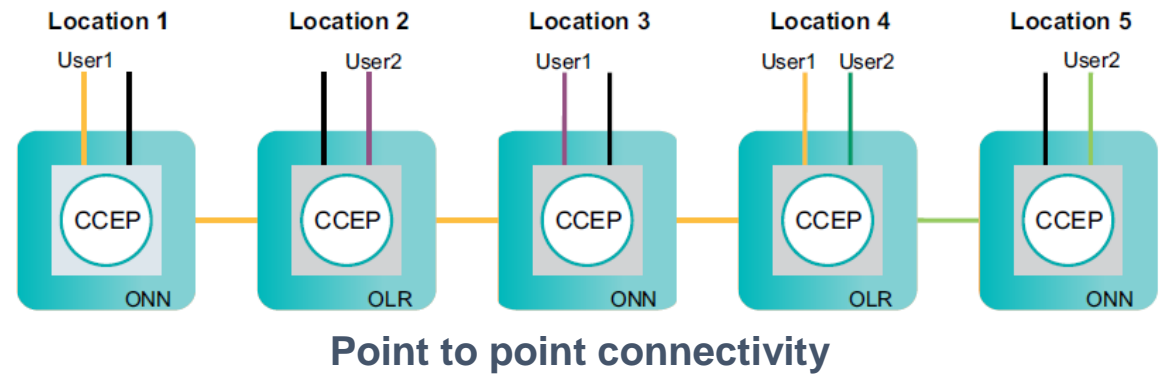


## Coriant controller card



OSC specifications		
Number of generated channels	3 (1 DCN and 2 User Channels)	10/100 ports
Bandwidth for DCN channel	Without user channels:	
	OSC: 10 Mbit/s	
	Fast OSC: 20 Mbit/s	
	With 2 user channels:	
Bandwidth for user channels (per user channel)	OSC: 1 Mbit/s	
	Fast OSC: 20 Mbit/s	

Source: Infinera hiT7300 Product Description (PD)

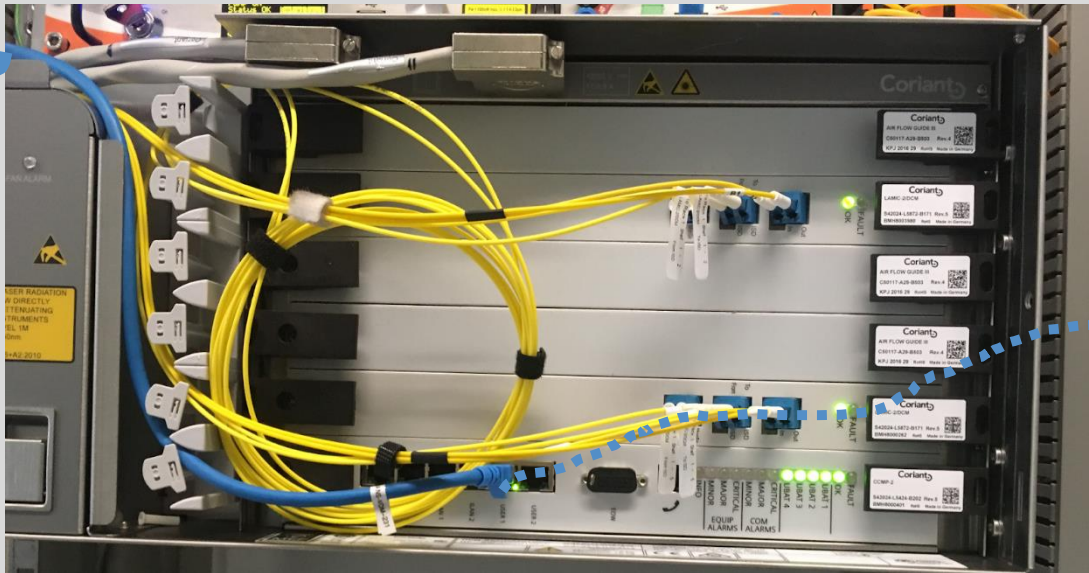




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## Bringing it in ILA



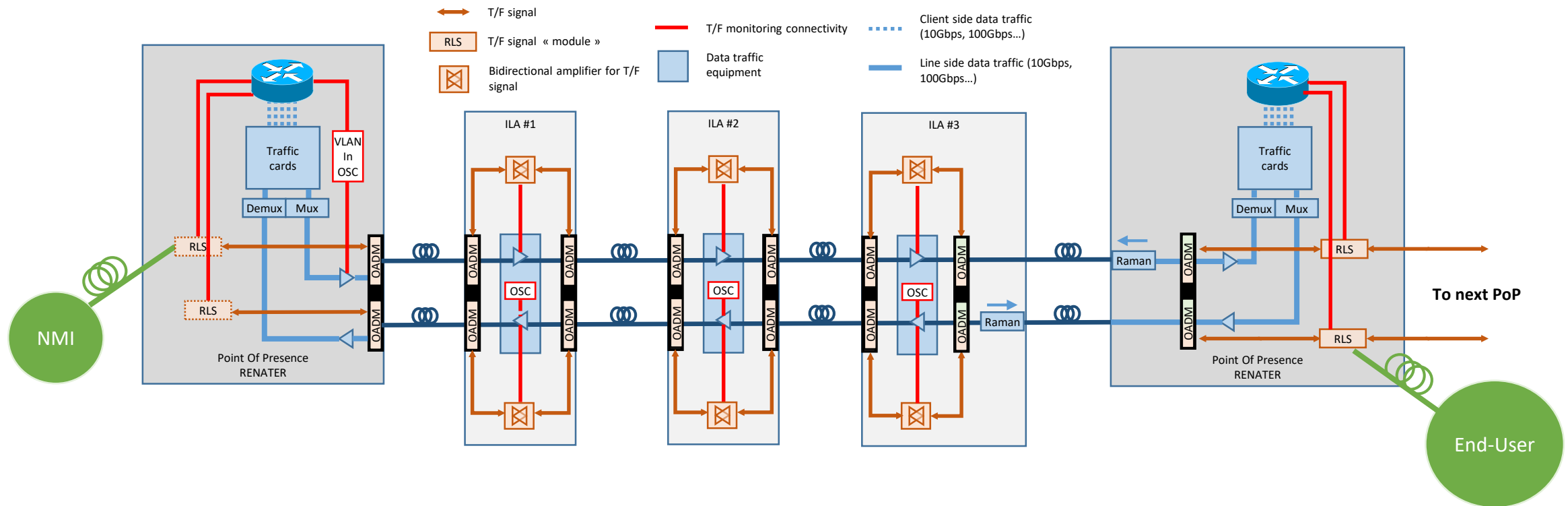
Point Of Presence  
RENATER



ILA#1

# IP connectivity in Inline Amplifier (ILA) sites

Finally 🏆🏆



# Supervision and monitoring of T/F equipment



## What are the key parameters required when implementing new equipment in a telecommunication network?

Tools and procedures are put in place to satisfy with telecom standards

- Ability to collect traps (day-to-day supervision)  
SNMPv2 (amplifiers) and SNMPv3 (RLS)
- Ability to switch on/off amplifiers/RLS (monitoring)  
SNMPv2 or SNMPv3 and SSH

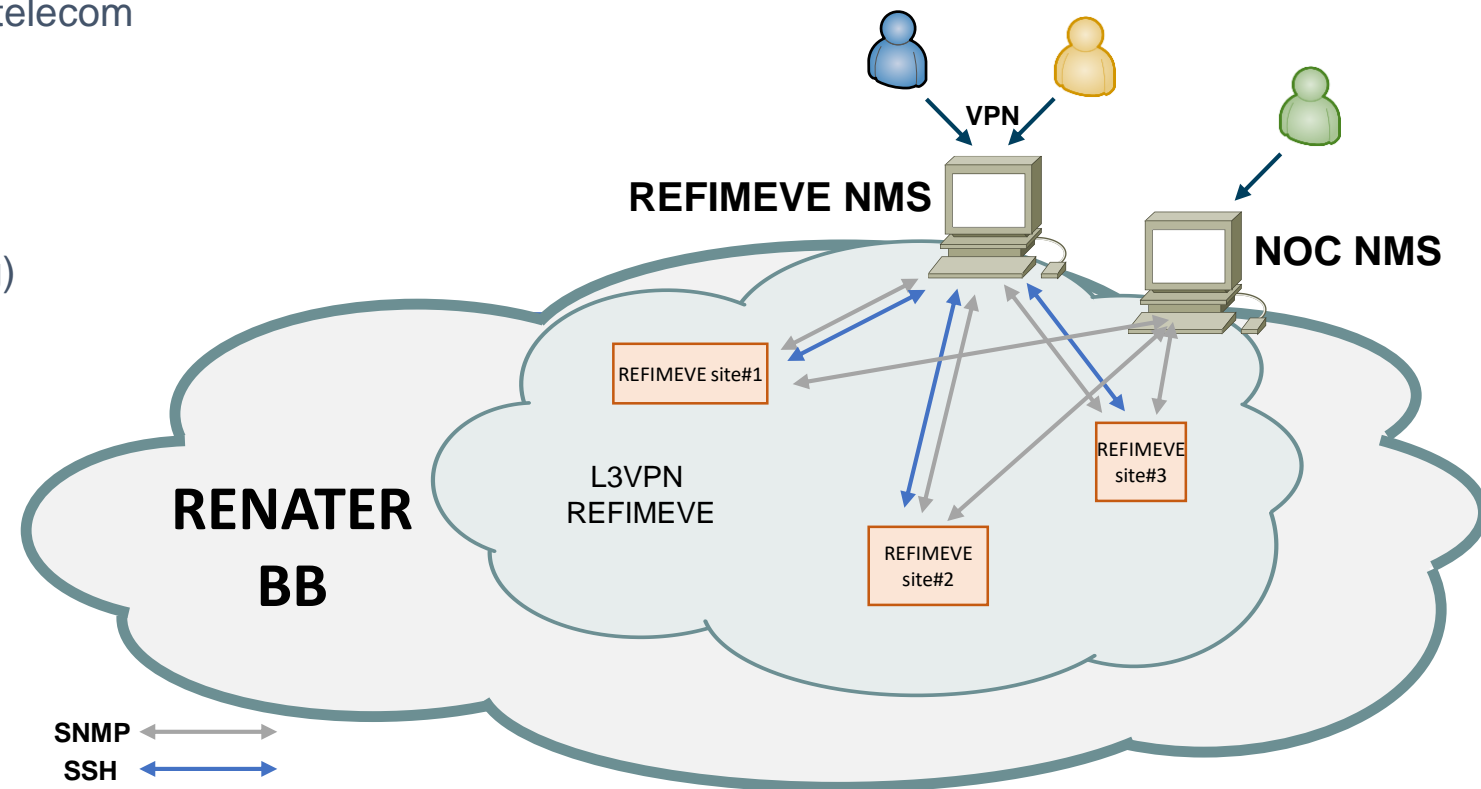
Ticketing procedures (will be detailed further):

- to inform users
- to activate manufacturer or tierce party-company

Core REFIMEVE+ team: set up metrological signal

iXblue: Manufacturer + maintenance

NOC + RENATER: control optical layer 24/7

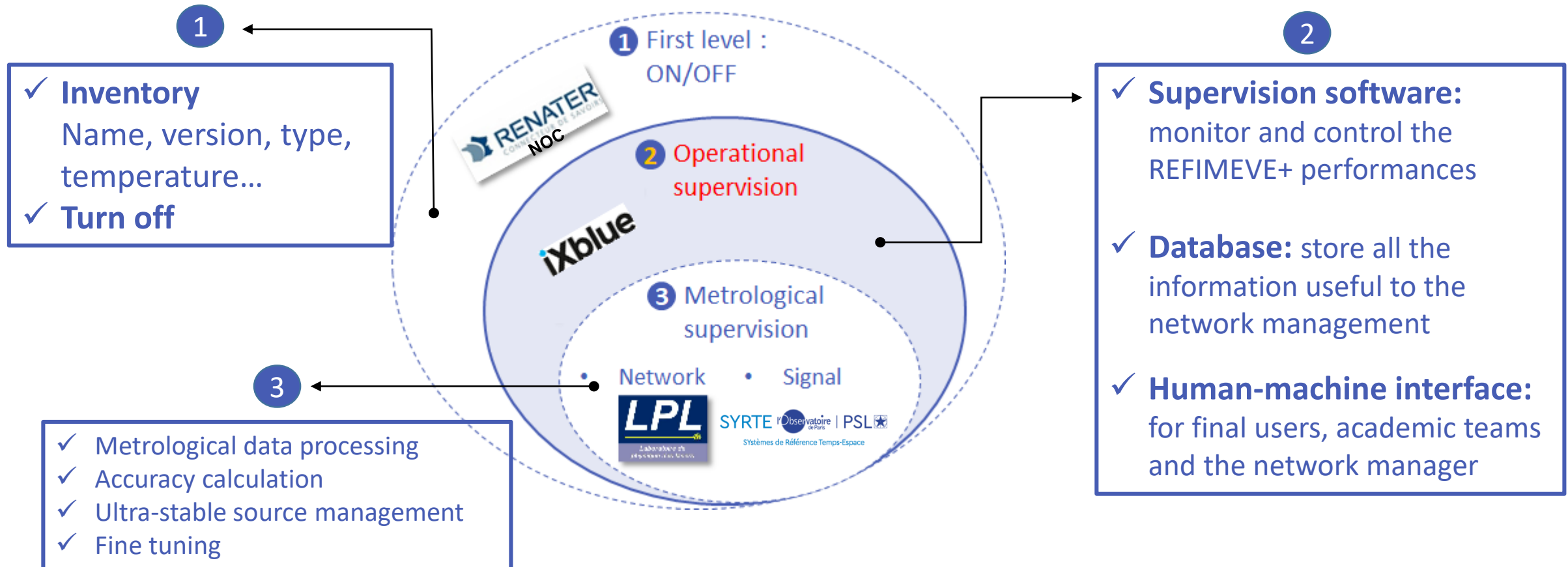




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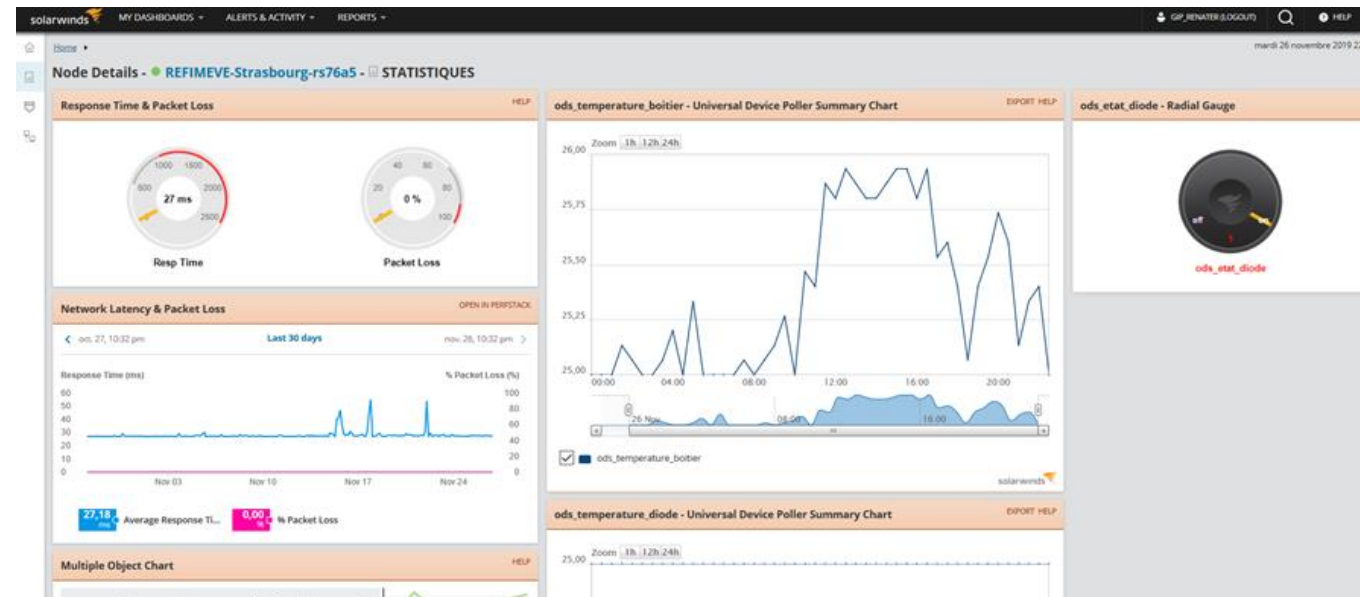
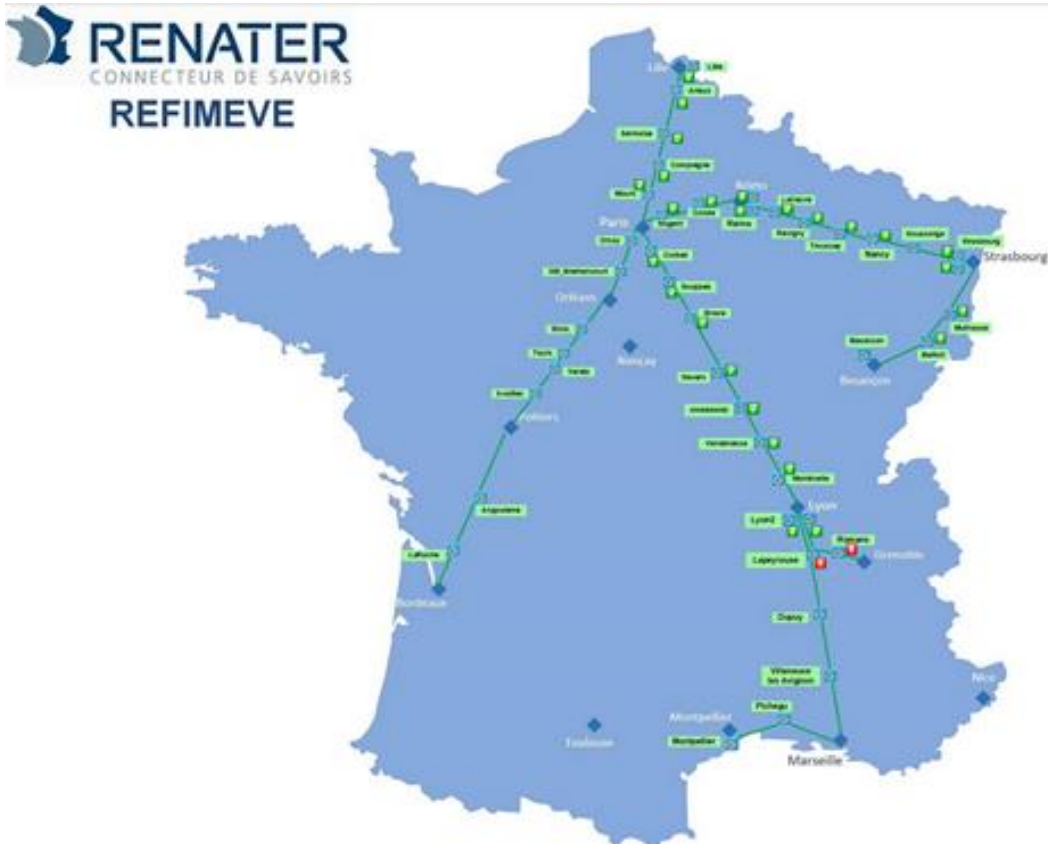
## Different supervision layers



# Maintenance in operational condition and day-to-day routines

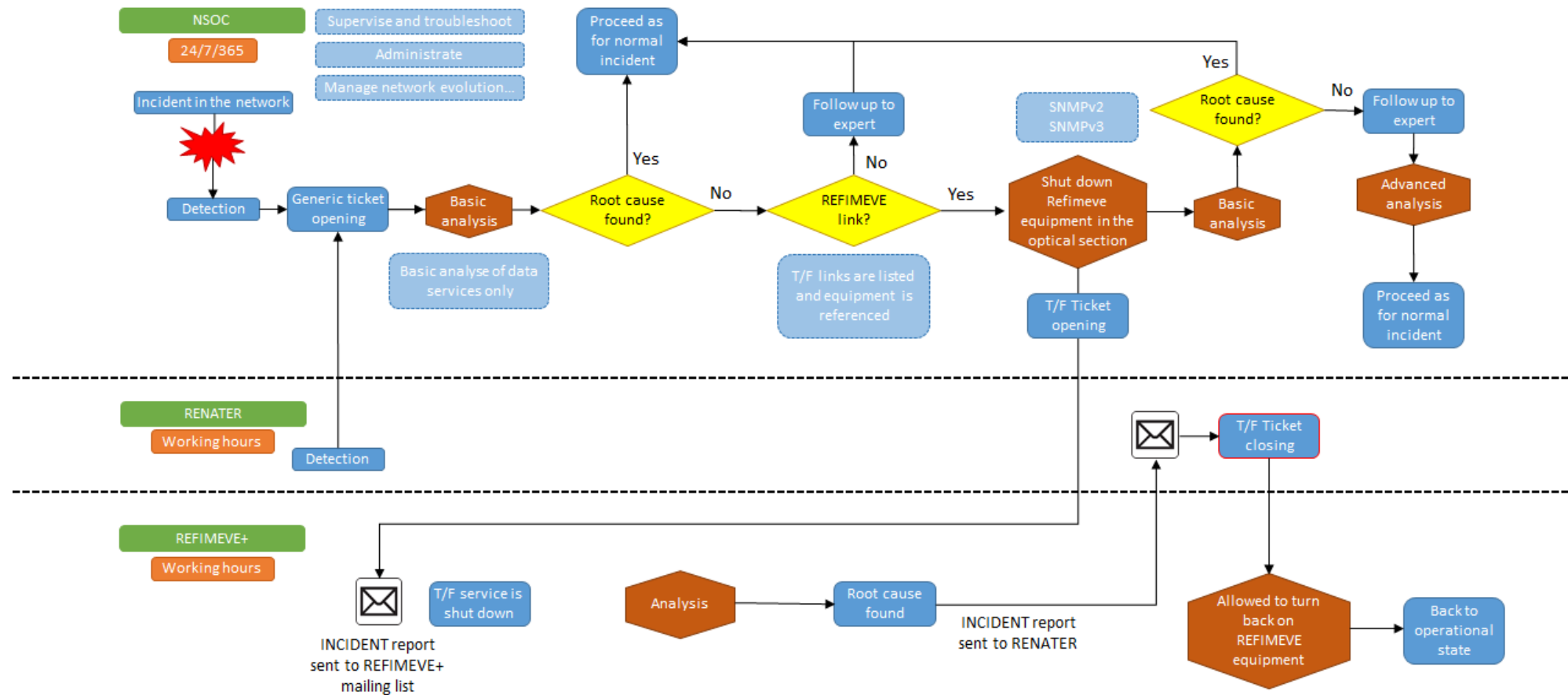


## T/F integrated in day-to-day routine





## T/F Ticketing procedures



- Operating T/F network
  - Has to be easily integrated in day-to-day routine
  - Requires in-band connectivity to be performant (requires early consideration)
- Key aspects of monitoring and supervision
  - Responsibility layers for each actor
  - Monitored parameters for NOC => being able to turn off the T/F channel

### REFIMEVE Infrastructure

- **Safe environment:** 12 years of background experience of T/F service propagating without incident with IP data traffic in real field
- 7 years of work with private companies and different NOC that understand, comply and work according with NREN processes and constraints

T/F services is safe, doable with high TRL equipment.  
T/F can be integrated in NREN day-to-day procedures



# Thank you

## Any questions?

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