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## **QKD linie implementation between Poznań and Warsaw**

# Poznań Supercomputing and Networking Center

## Center of e-Infrastructure

- National Research and Education Network PIONIER
- Research Metropolitan Area Network - POZMAN
- HPC Center
- Data repositories and Digital Libraries Federation

## Center of Research & Development

- New Generation Networks
- HPC, Grids & Clouds
- Grand challenge applications
- New media and visualization technologies
- Knowledge Platforms
- Future Internet - Technology, Applications and Services for IS
- Cyber Security
- Quantum Communication and Computing – use cases, practical scenarios and connecting/building community





# Poznań Supercomputing and Networking Center

## PSNC LOCATIONS

**Laboratories**

**PSNC HQ**

**Data Center**

**Living Labs  
Coworking space**

**POZMAN network**

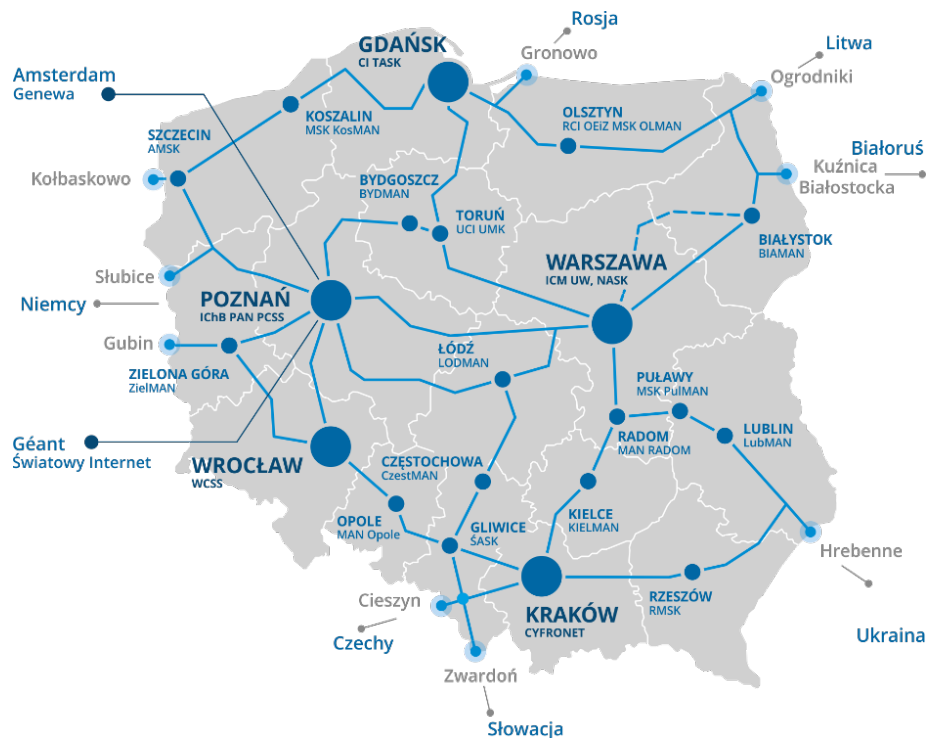
287 km fibers  
Research community - 110 connections in city  
and 8 connections in Wielkopolska region

**Backup Data Center**



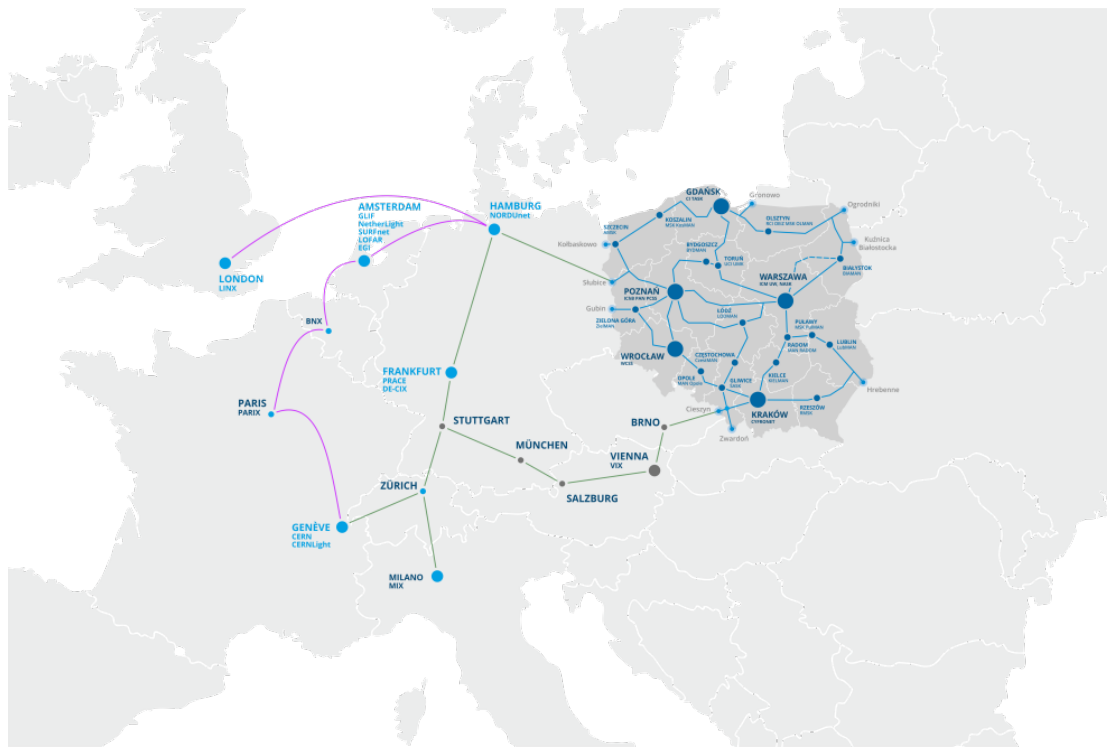
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The PIONIER Consortium brings together 21 MAN Networks and 5 HPC Centers

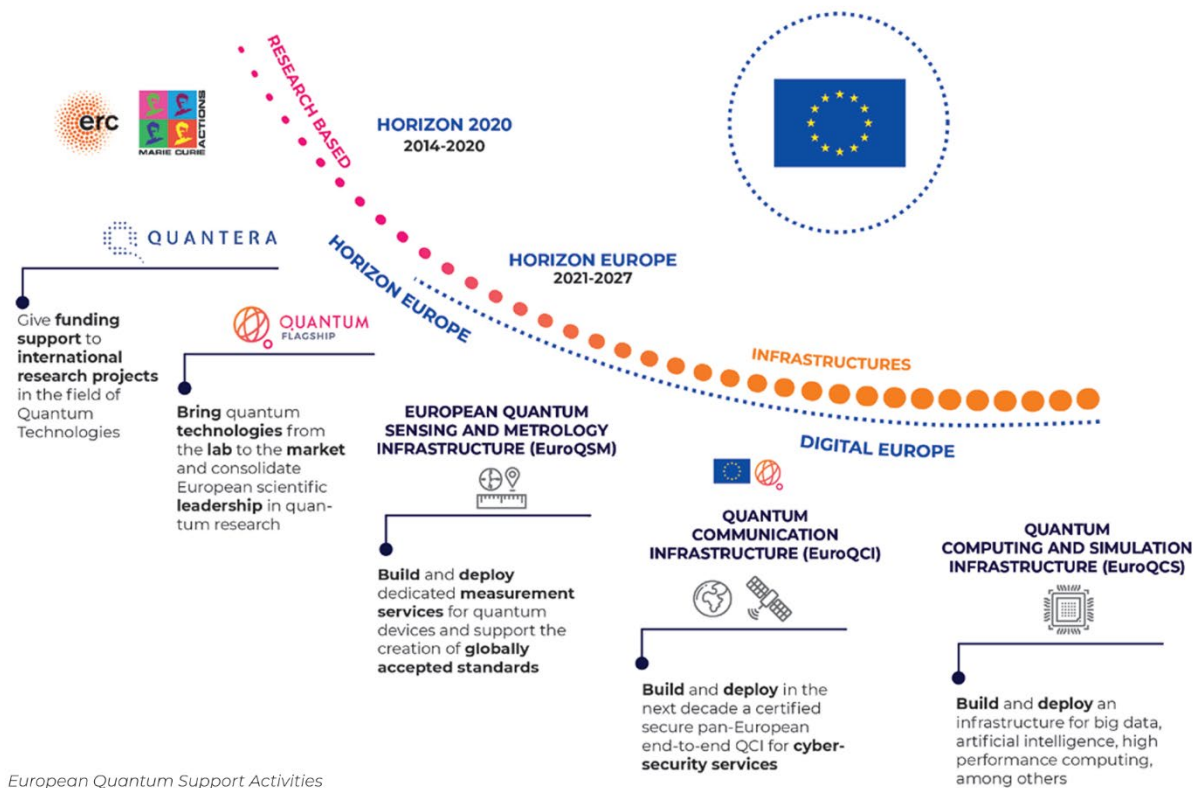


Type of connected unit	Number of units
Research institutions	221
Universities	196
Post-secondary schools	21
High schools, secondary schools, primary schools and vocational schools	234
Healthcare	59
Public safety	27
Government administration	27
Provincial administration	59
District, municipality and city administration	73
Other administration	9
Court and public prosecutor's office	26
Cultural institutions	104
Other educational	27

## PIONIER NETWORK - EUROPE



# QUANTUM FLAGSHIP





# NLPQT PROJECT



NATIONAL LABORATORY FOR  
PHOTONICS & QUANTUM  
TECHNOLOGIES



European Union



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## National Laboratory for Photonics and Quantum Technologies

The main goal of the project is development of modern infrastructure in the fields of photonics and quantum technologies, with particular attention paid to the needs of industry.

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News: The NLPQT project was awarded the Symbol 2022 [...] [Read More...](#)

Photonics is a well-established yet still thriving field of research and technology. It is also behind many innovations which have transformed our lives. Lasers, optical telecom fibres, cameras in our phones, LED lighting in our homes, computer screens & TV sets are just a few examples of how photonics has changed technology. As photonics has the potential to enhance innovations across several industries, it is included in Europe's Key Enabling Technologies (KETs) of the 21st Century.



As part of the project, they will be built



The National System for Generation and Distribution of Reference Optical Carrier



Photon Technology Laboratories



Quantum Technology Laboratory

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## Research centers participating in the project

**University of Warsaw**

**Institute of Physical Chemistry Polish Academy of Sciences**

**Silesian University of Technology**

**Wroclaw University of Science and Technology**

**Institute of Inorganic Chemistry PAN**  
POLSKA SUPERCOMPUTING AND NETWORKING CENTER

**Maria Curie-Skłodowska University**

**Nicolaus Copernicus University**

**CONSORTIUM MEMBER**

University of Warsaw, the project leader, is one of the biggest and best higher education institutions in Poland. It is one of Poland's biggest employers with more than 17 thousand employees, including almost 4 thousand academic staff. It has nearly 50 thousand students and more than 3 thousand postgraduate students. The University of Warsaw is engaged in more than 1500 research projects funded from national and international grant programmes, including the most prestigious ERC grants.

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**RESEARCH GROUPS**

The NLPQT project will be carried out by the following research groups belonging to three departments of the Faculty of Physics: Department of Optics (DO), Department of Information Optics (DOI) and Department of Solid State Physics (DPS).

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## The National System for Generation and Distribution of Reference Optical Carrier

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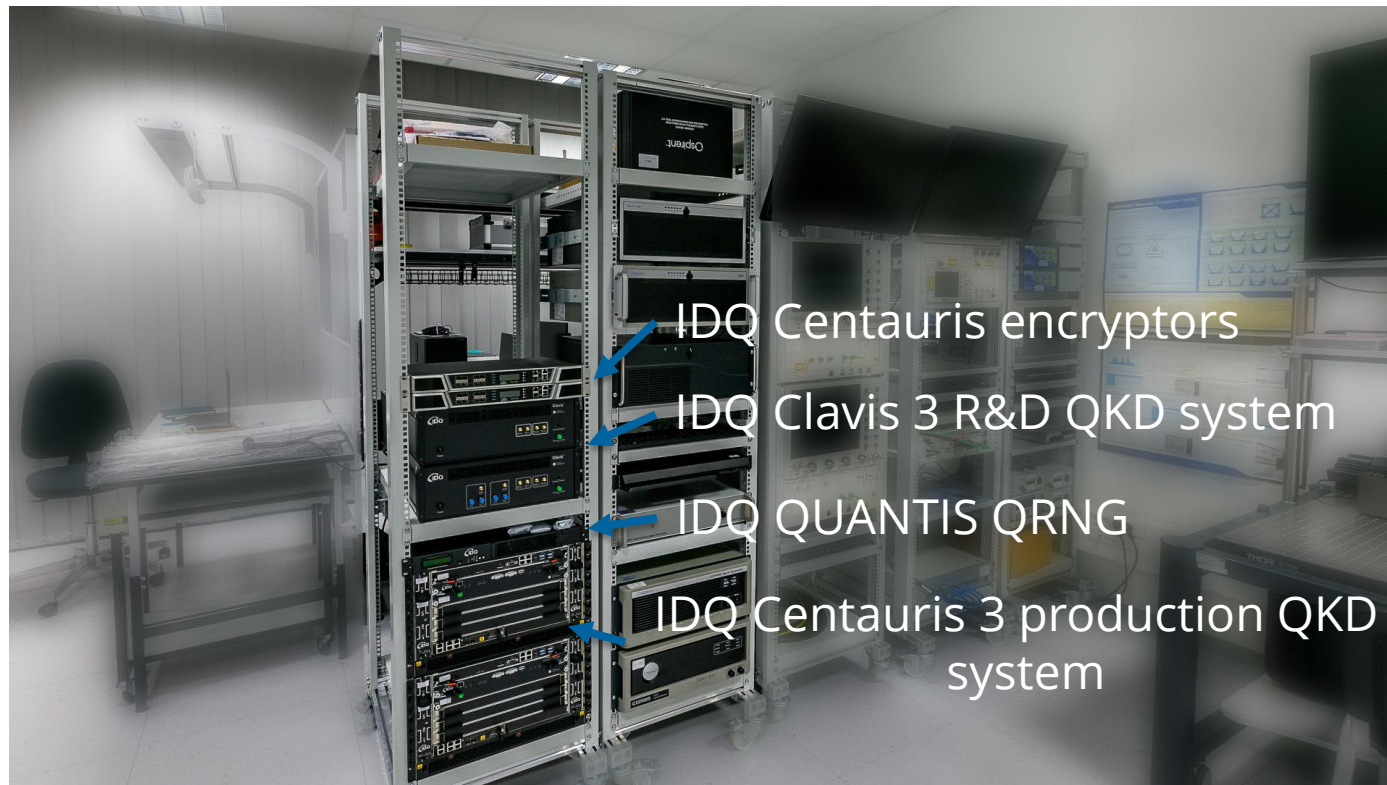
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The main goal of the National System for Generation and Distribution of the Reference Optical Carrier is to create an ultrastable laser system that can be linked to an optical atomic clock, along with a distribution network using fiber optic links. The optical reference signal with low phase noise will be sent to the participants of the NLPQT consortium, where it will be available to interested industry partners. The System will enable implementation of a number of services addressed to the photonic, optical, chemical and related industries in the areas listed below:



- **Metro QKD** research and operational infrastructure, integration of QKD solutions
  - QKD infrastructure (operational and R&D QKD devices, encryptors and quantum random number generators)
- **Construction of the long distance QKD Poznań - Warsaw link** – June 2022
  - experiments related to quantum communication between University of Warsaw nodes and PSNC in Warsaw.
  - Experiments related to sources and detectors of single photons
  - Integration of the infrastructure with the optical carrier infrastructure
  - Next generation QKD prototypes testing (based on entanglement)





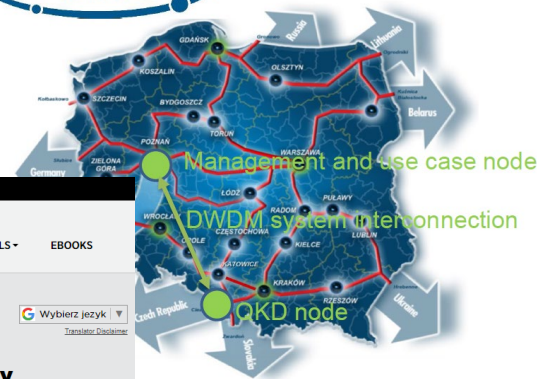
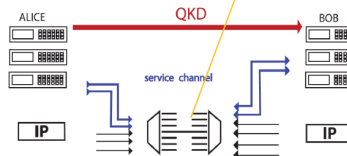
# PSNC – VSB crossborder testbed



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## TRIAL PREPARATION

- First intercity and international trial in CZ
- Ostrava Cieszyn line – fibre itself 75km, 16 dB
- QKD channel in 1550 nm band, will be disturbed by parallel traffic
- Line is very close to maximum system performance
- QKD system „fibre hungry“, service OOK channel will consume 2 additional optical channels
- Offer for additional fibre pair uncompetitive
- All data (incl. QKD service channel) moved into bidi DWDM



4 October 2022

### First cross-border trial of quantum key distribution sharing fiber line with data and accurate time transmissions

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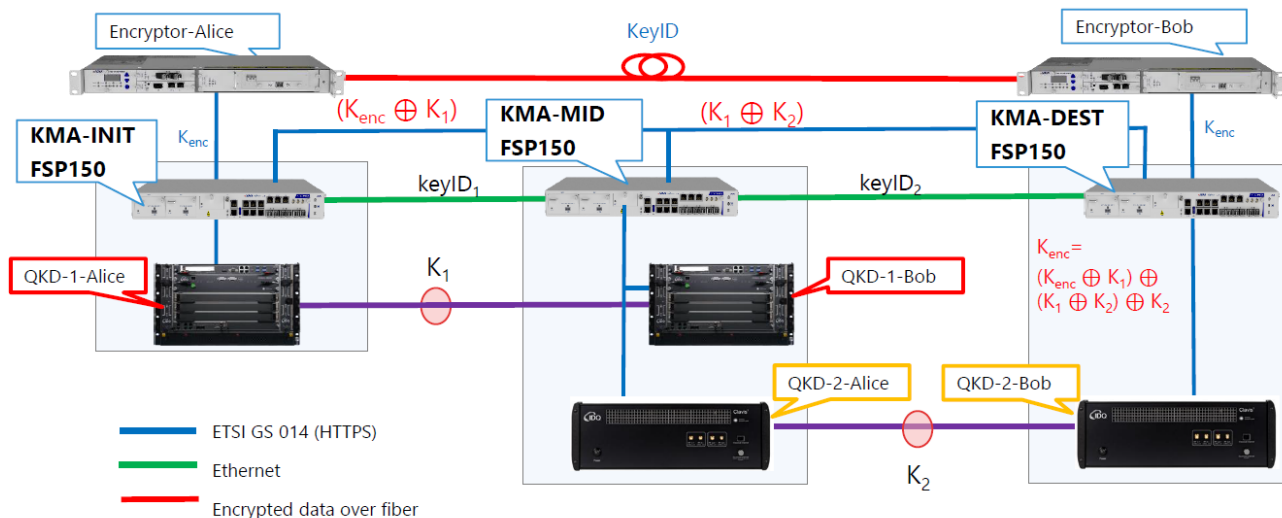
### Abstract

This contribution focuses on experimental verification of the QKD system deployment in a multi-domain network environment managed by Czech and Polish National Research and Educational Network (NREN) operators. We demonstrate full functionality of such a solution for transmission of secret keys in boundary conditions, and with this we open up new possibilities for further use of extremely secure communication between two neighboring network entities, and the services built upon it. Moreover, we have shared the cross-border link among strong QKD service channels, accurate time, and classical data channels together with weak quantum channel to reduce the total number of optical fibers needed for transmission. To our

# QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

## TNC21 conference demo – Secure Key Management for Multi Vendor Interoperable Quantum Key Distribution Network

### Key Relay using ADVA FSP150





# Machine Learning-based Optical and QKD Network Monitoring

**ADVA and PSNC**

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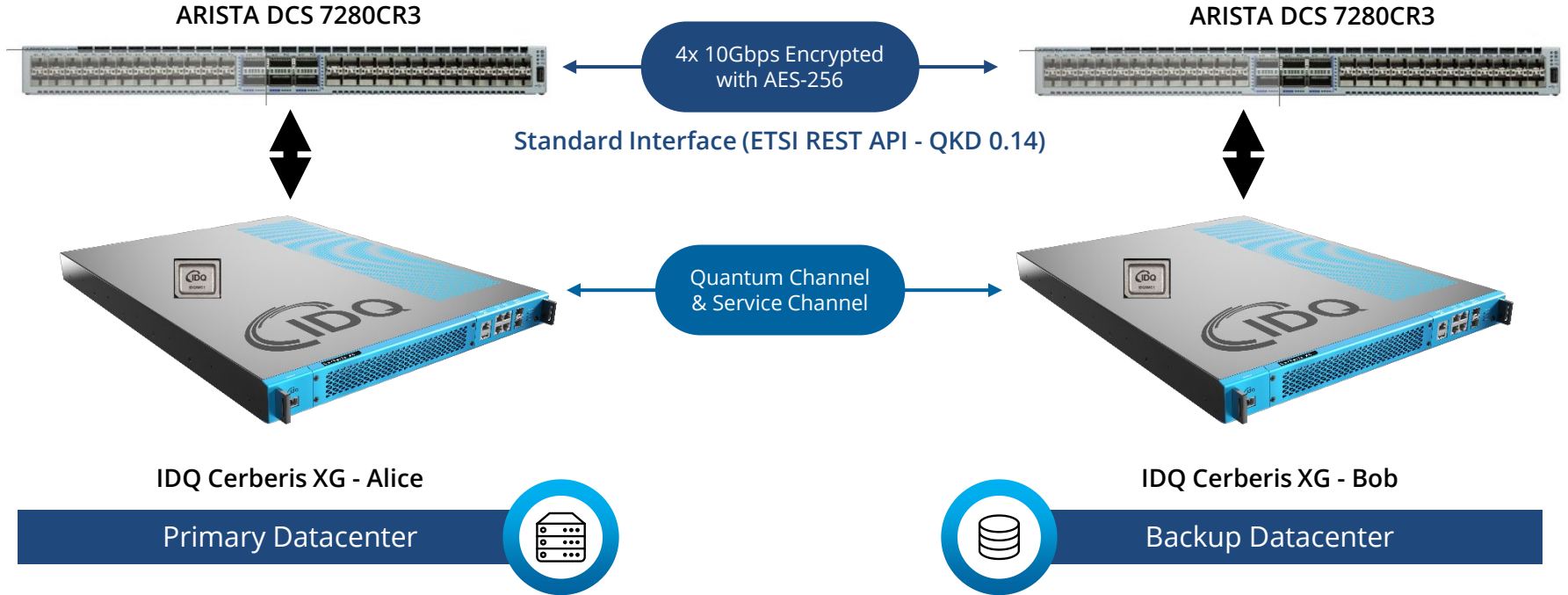
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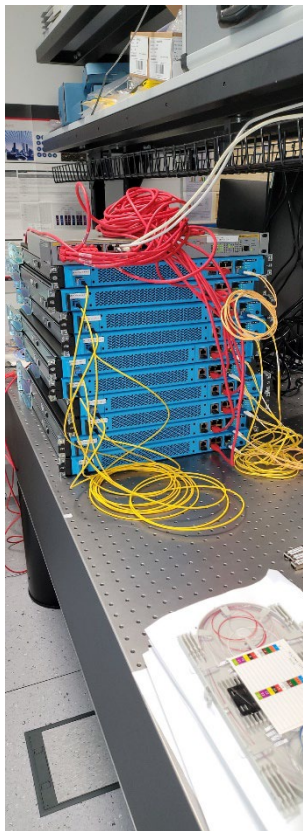
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**Abstract:** We demonstrate a fiber network monitoring system based on machine learning which can detect and diagnose fiber faults and hardware failures in an optical network. Our system also has the capability of monitoring the performance of QKD links.



# Quantum-Safe communication solution





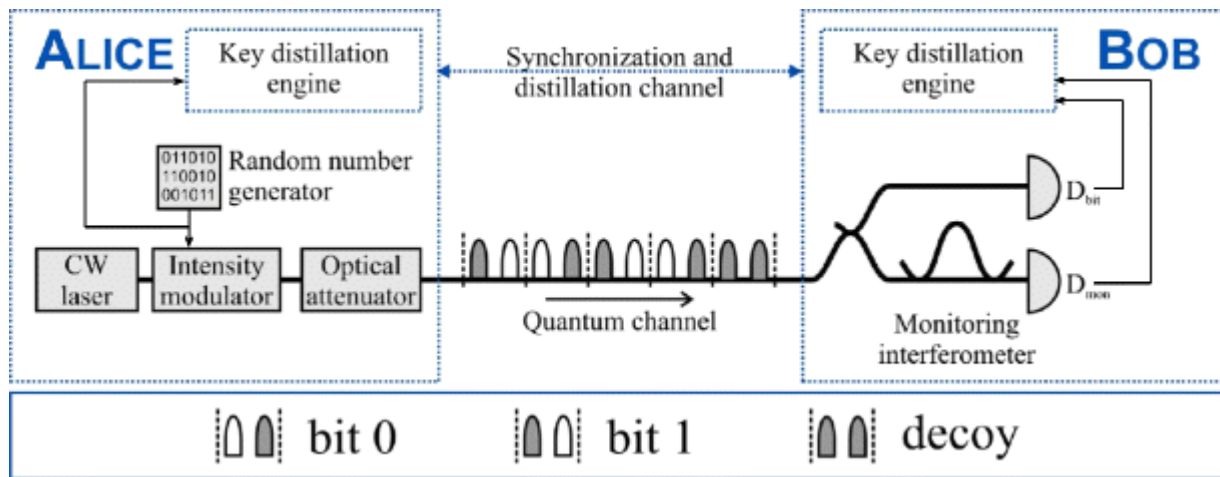
- The demanding links from the distance point of view were tested first using existing metro QKD equipment
- Procured IDQ Cerberis XG system tested and configured in the lab
- Deployed on sites over 3 days
- ISK (Initial Shared Key) required to start QKD exchange needs to be set manually and physically over each node
- Network addressing scheme to integrate Key, KMS and MGMT services
- At the first stage only point to point links were deployed
- At the second stage trusted node approach and key relay mechanism was implemented.



- Monitoring services implementation with NOC.
- System under constant adjustment and modification (new software, new consumers)
- Measures to improve budget margin on two longest, critical links.
- System uses COW 4 states protocol
- System uses four different channels – quantum, service, KMS, managements. Apart from that we have key and encrypted traffic services. All these elements can be potentially multiplexed and with different combinations







- Does not need perfect single-photon devices
- Uses phase-randomized weak coherent pulses
- Decoy states help deal with PNS (Photon Number splitting) attacks but limits performance
- Systems during initialization need time to align monitor and data timebins
- Bits are encoded using pair of coherent and vacuum pulses
- Monitoring line (MZ) checks coherence between pulses
- Bob measures TOA of coherent pulses and reports to ALICE clicks but without exact timeslot. Alice discloses if it was key generation or decoy state.
- **QKD protocols and its implementation are still under theoretical analysis**

# SUMMARY

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- Implementation of Metro and long distance QKD links
- Infrastructure supports various research activities
- Possible support for EuroQCI and EuroQCS initiatives
- Cooperation with vendors and R&D partners
- Integrating and supporting communities





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