



#### Funet 2020

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#### **Funet**

- The Finnish National Research and Education Network
- Used by 75 organisations
  - Universities, polytechnics
  - Research organisations
  - University hospitals
  - Student dormitories
  - o Organisations in public administration
- About 370 000 users
- With other Nordic NRENs, was among the first networks outside United
  States to connect to the Internet.

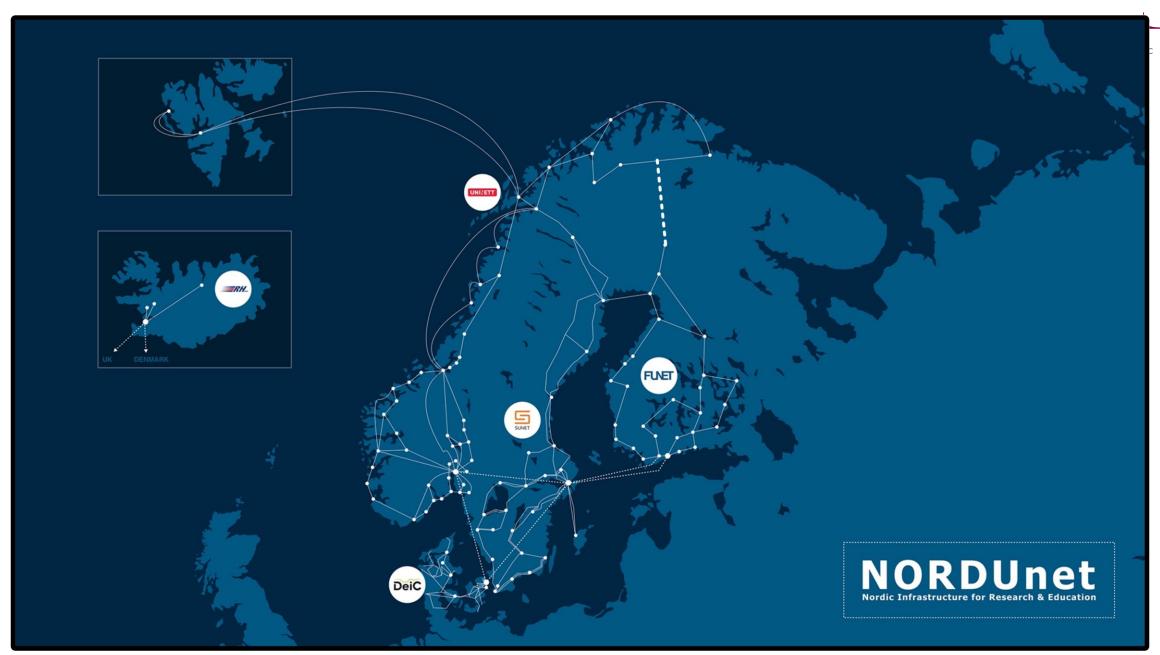




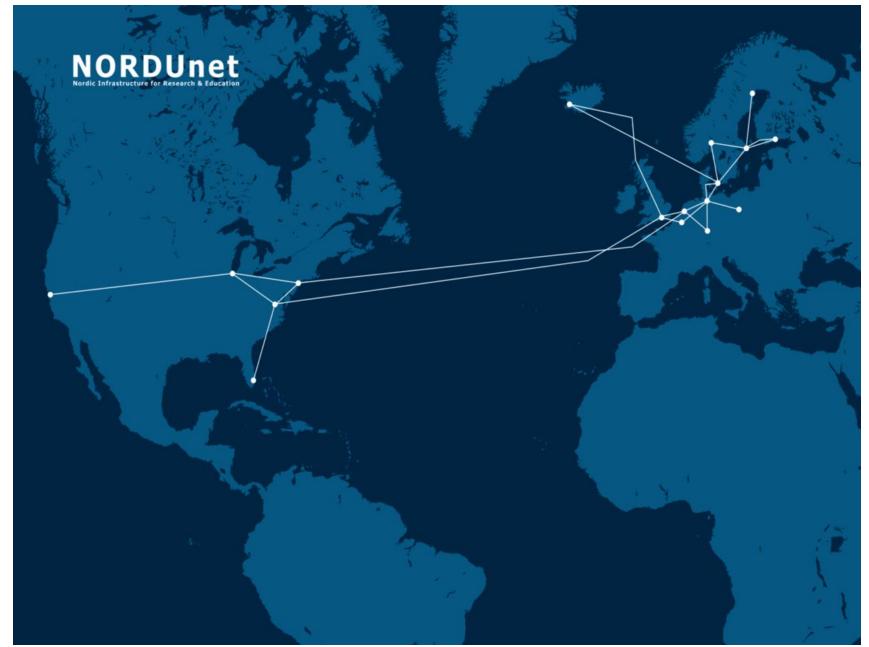
#### Capacity growth

- 29.12.1983: Funet established, 4,8 kbit/s
- 1986: 64 kbit/s
- 1992: 2 Mbit/s
- 1993: 34 Mbit/s
- 1997: 155 Mbit/s
- 2001: 2,5 Gbps
- 2005: 10 Gbit/s
- 2015: 100 Gbit/s







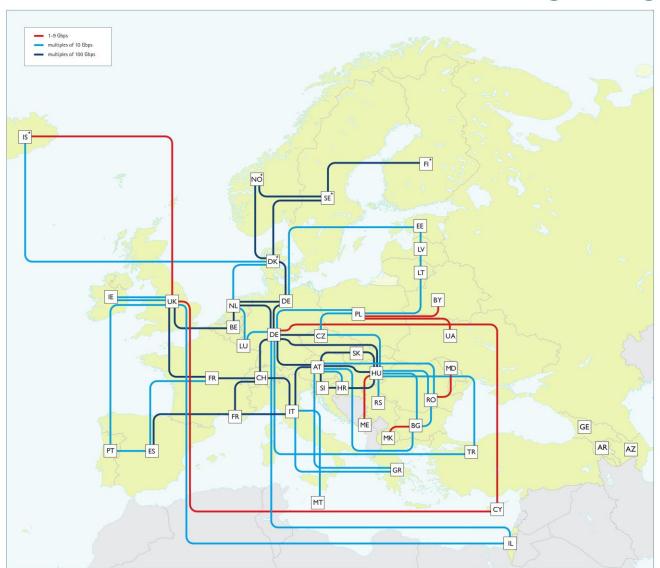


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#### **Funet 2020?**

- By 2022 the current "Funet 2007" network has been in operation for quite a long time.
  - The contracts for our backbone fibre infrastructure will end in phases, starting this year.
- Preparations for the next-generation Funet network started in Spring 2016.
  - The target was to plan the required development steps for Funet network in 2018-2022.



## **Timeline and implementation**

- Funet 2020 has been implemented as a series of projects
  - o 2016: Funet 2020 planning project
  - O 2017: Funet 2020 procurement project
  - o 2018-2022: Funet 2020 implementation/transition project
- The work has been done in tight collaboration with the network users
  - o For example: universities and research institutions

# Funet 2020 Planning: Requirements and Services



## Funet 2020 planning



## - in tight collaboration with the network users

- Specifying the Funet 2020 connectivity services based on concrete future needs of organisations using Funet
- 2. Planning and comparison of different technical and administrative solutions
  - How the required connectivity services could be implemented?
  - Are there any new methods or technologies to implement the services?
- 3. Justified solution to implement Funet 2020 and its services. Preliminary planning of target architecture and roadmap.
  - Both technically and financially the ideal solutions to implement the services required by Funet organisations.
  - Approved by Funet customer steering group.



## Collecting the future needs of our users

- We collected the needs of organisations connected to Funet in two separate tracks
  - Technical track
  - Management/administrative track
- Funet 2020 planning was a major topic of our annual Funet member organisation meeting (Funet technical days) in June 2016.
  - The work continued in AccessFunet collaboration group in autumn 2016 and January 2017. We also published a web-based user questionnaire to get further information.
- There was a separate working group that focused on Funet 2020 administrative issues.

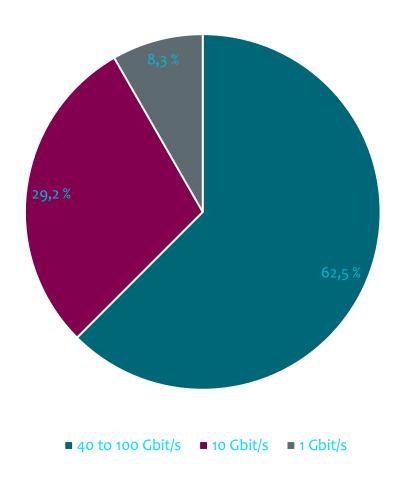


## Some results and feedback from Funet organisations

- The reliability of network connections is critical.
  - The importance of network is significant, and the importance is increasing in the future.
  - Reliability of network connections is more important than dedicated capacity or the used underlying technologies.
- Network latencies are important
  - Especially the availability of short(er) backup routes during fibre cuts
- Good connectivity to service and content providers is valued.

# Future bandwidth requirements of Funet organisations (year 2020-)





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#### Possible Funet 2020 connectivity services (draft)

- Funet Connections
  - Either IP uplink or private L2/L3 connection
- Encrypted Funet Connection
  - End-to-end encrypted connectivity
- DDoS Protection Service New!
- Funet CPE Router Service
- Funet Light CPE Service New!
- Funet Campus Firewall Service New!

## Funet 2020 Planning: The New Network Architecture



# The chosen solution for Funet 2020: IP/MPLS-based network with a simple coherent open-line DWDM system



#### • Pros

- The most cost-efficient way to implement the required connectivity
- Flexible connectivity services which enable collaboration between organisations connected to Funet
- Provides cost-efficient ways to provide (virtually) dedicated connectivity to cloud and service providers.
- All connections get redundancy against backbone fibre breaks.
- The campus network capacity can be upgraded as needed.
- o Smaller and more consistent latencies, as local routing calculates minimal backup routes.

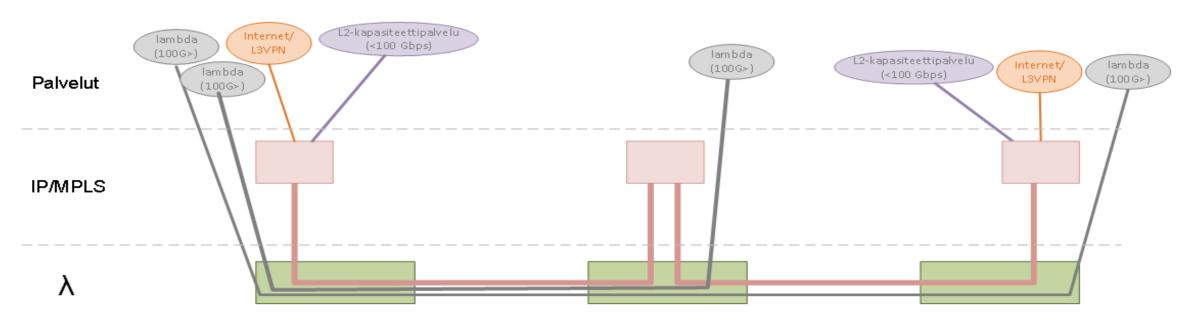
#### Cons

- o Implementing some special connectivity services may require extra steps.
- o Minimising the transition costs leads to comparatively tight deployment schedule.

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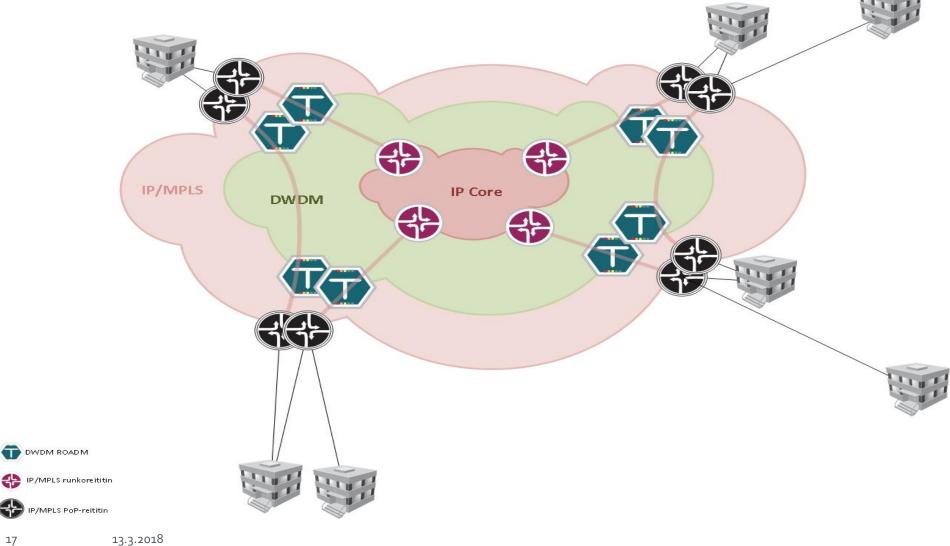
#### The IP/MPLS solution

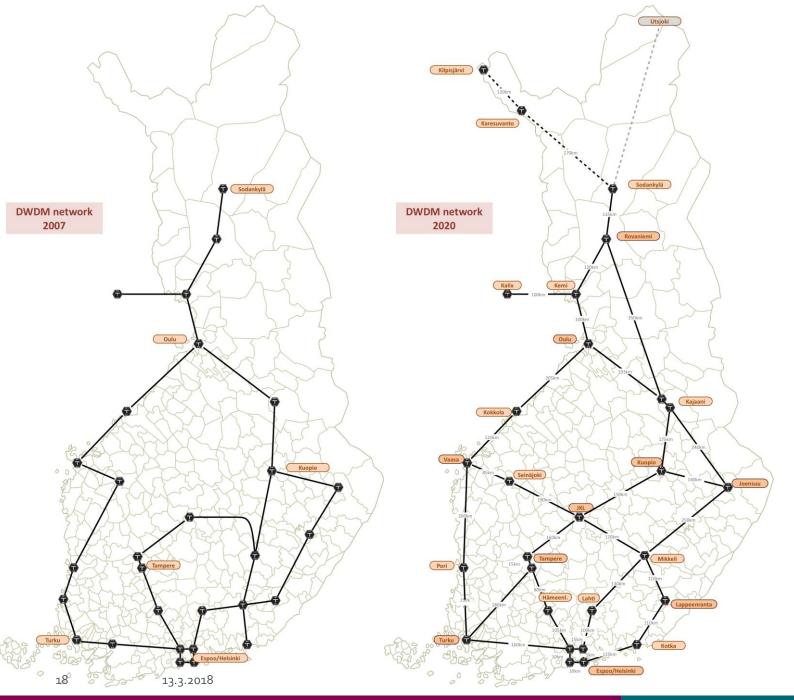
- Technical components
  - $\circ\, \mathsf{Dark}$  fibres and open-line DWDM transmission system
  - o Flexible rate DCI transponders
  - IP/MPLS PE routers in each PoP





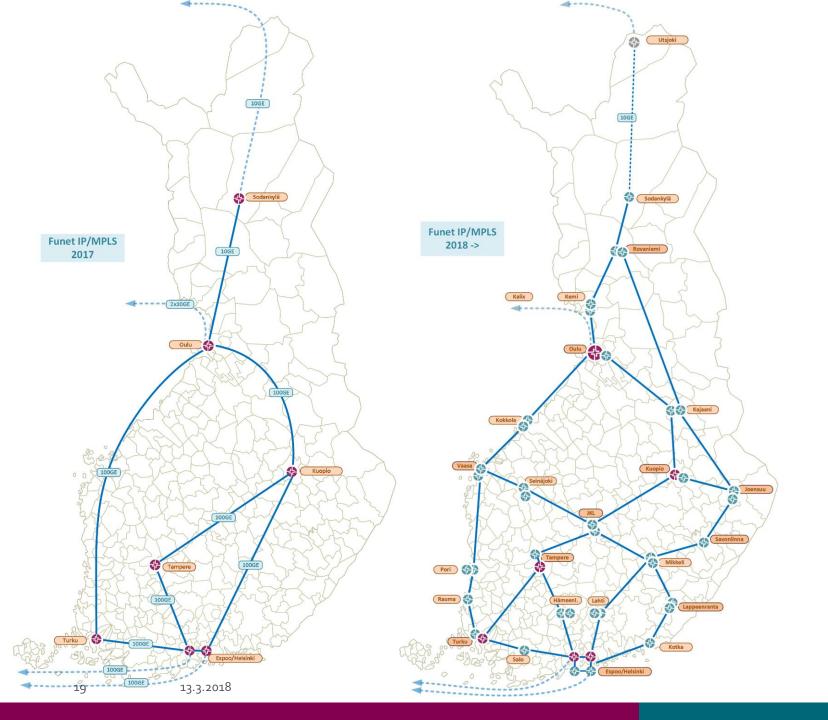
#### ~All access connections are terminated to IP/MPLS routers







 Funet 2020 has much denser fibre topology compared to current network





 Funet 2020 has IP/MPLS routers in all PoPs

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#### **Transition to Funet 2020**

- Public procurement of fibre, optical DWDM transmission and IP/MPLS successfully done in 2017.
- The new network will be deployed in phases, during 2018-2022
  - New parts of network will be deployed as current fixed-time fibre contracts end.
- Goals
  - Minimise service disruptions
  - Minimise costs of transition
- Feedback



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