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Quantum Communication and Quantum Computing in NREN perspective – PSNC activities

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



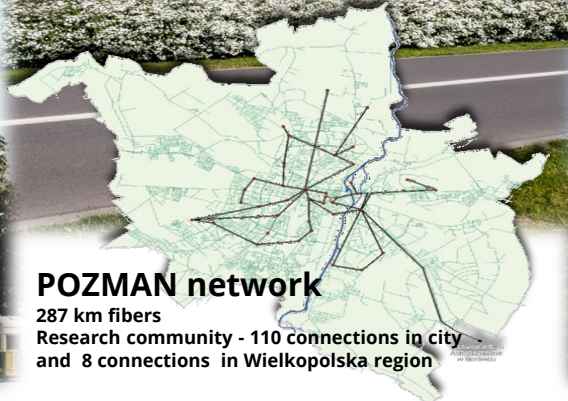
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PSNC LOCATIONS

Laboratories

PSNC HQ

Data Center



POZMAN network

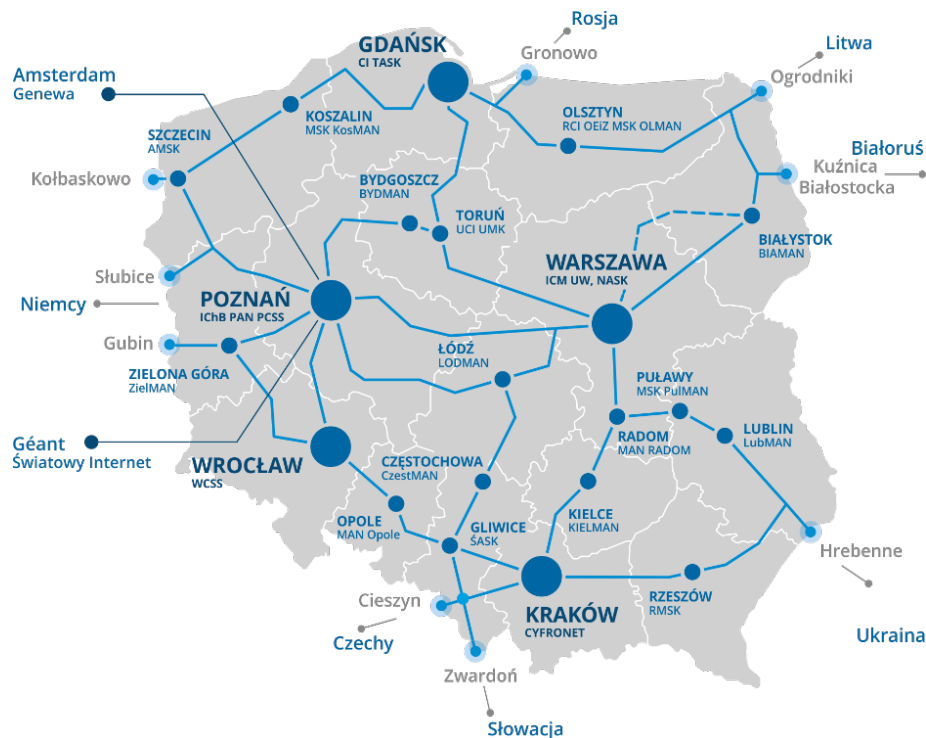
287 km fibers
Research community - 110 connections in city
and 8 connections in Wielkopolska region



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

Quantum Manifesto

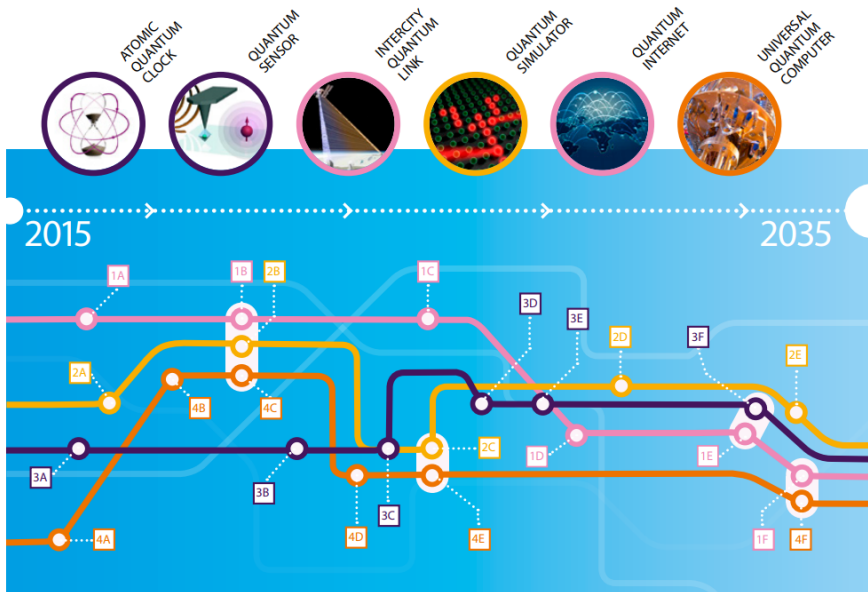


https://qt.eu/app/uploads/2018/04/93056_Quantum-Manifesto_WEB.pdf

- Activities started by Quantum Manifesto and entry point for Quantum Flagship program.

Quantum Manifesto

Quantum Technologies Timeline



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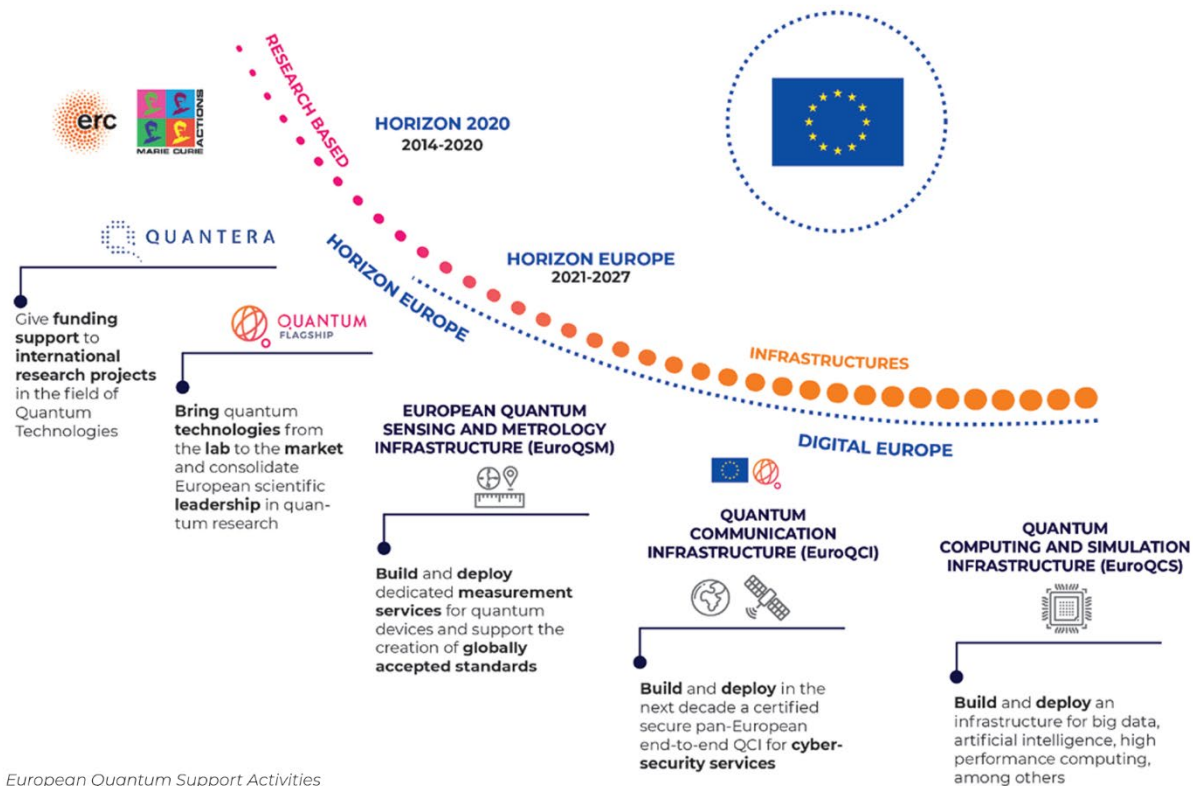
1. Communication	2. Simulators	3. Sensors	4. Computers
0 – 5 years A Core technology of quantum repeaters B Secure point-to-point quantum links	A Simulator of motion of electrons in materials B New algorithms for quantum simulators and networks	A Quantum sensors for niche applications (incl. gravity and magnetic sensors for health care, geosurvey and security) B More precise atomic clocks for synchronisation of future smart networks, incl. energy grids	A Operation of a logical qubit protected by error correction or topologically B New algorithms for quantum computers C Small quantum processor executing technologically relevant algorithms
5 – 10 years C Quantum networks between distant cities D Quantum credit cards	C Development and design of new complex materials D Versatile simulator of quantum magnetism and electricity	C Quantum sensors for larger volume applications including automotive, construction D Handheld quantum navigation devices	D Solving chemistry and materials science problems with special purpose quantum computer > 100 physical qubit
> 10 years E Quantum repeaters with cryptography and eavesdropping detection F Secure Europe-wide internet merging quantum and classical communication	E Simulators of quantum dynamics and chemical reaction mechanisms to support drug design	E Gravity imaging devices based on gravity sensors F Integrate quantum sensors with consumer applications including mobile devices	E Integration of quantum circuit and cryogenic classical control hardware F General purpose quantum computers exceed computational power of classical computers

QUANTUM FLAGSHIP

- Large-scale research and innovation initiative funded by the EC
- Started in October 2018 and will run for 10 years.
- PSNC is active in the areas of quantum computing and quantum communication – applications, integration, use cases
- PSNC quantum communication activities are focused on early use cases and applications implementation and supporting research community
- PSNC quantum computing projects are focused on algorithms, uses cases and hardware evaluation
- These works and projects are in most cases carried out together under one umbrella project and initiative
- It provides potential foundations for future hybrid networks and quantum communication infrastructure that will potentially connect quantum computing infrastructure



QUANTUM FLAGSHIP



European Quantum Support Activities

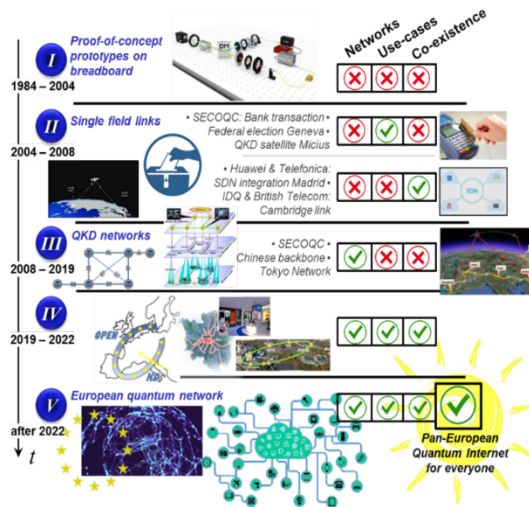
QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

PROJECTS

- PSNC takes part in several projects and activities connected with Quantum Communication and especially QKD technology as early use case:
 - **OPENQKD (HORIZON2020)**
 - **NLPQT (NCBiR)**
 - **QUAPITAL**
 - **GÉANT**
 - **EUROQCI**
 - **Supporting Quantum Internet Research Group QIRG (IETF)**
 - **Internal use cases focused on QKD integration in various scenarios**

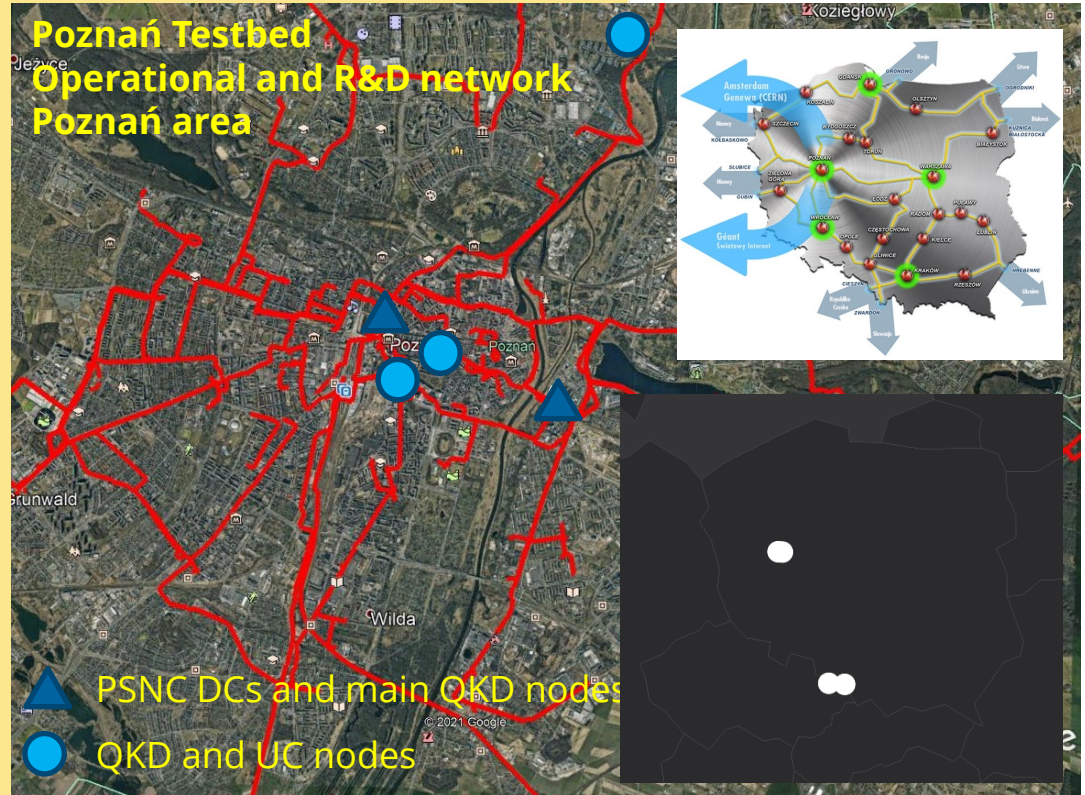
OPENQKD

- Construction of QKD testbeds in Europe and implementation of 40 different scenarios for services using QKD technology
- Project start - October 2019, end in 2023
- Poznań is one of the testbeds. Implementation and integration of QKD technology in the existing infrastructure and services of the POZMAN and PIONIER networks.
- Testing experimental QKD solutions in Poznań
- PSNC participates in works related to standardization activities and IPR
- PSNC develop data management and analysis software
- Testbeds currently running in Geneva, Madrid, Berlin (June 2021).



Testbed Poznań

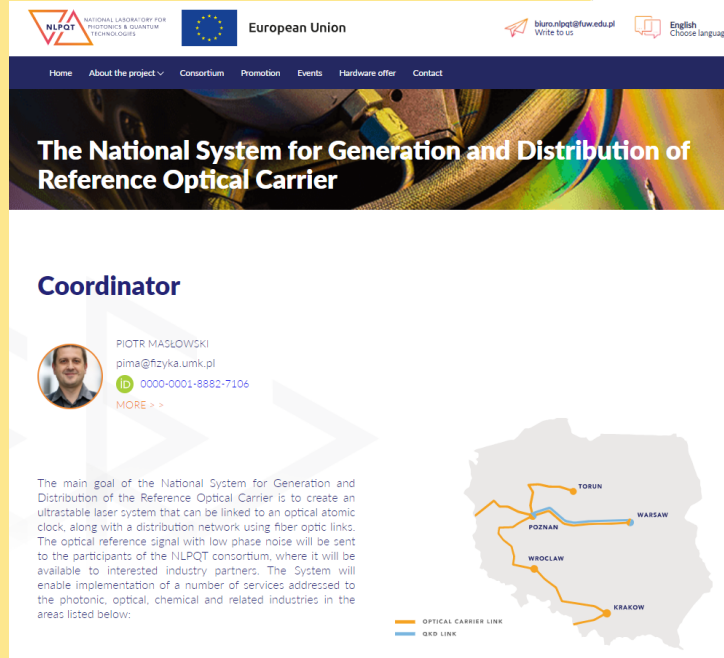
- **Infrastructure in place as PSNC** is owner and operator of the infrastructure and network
- **Two QKD links installed and running** tests before the final deployment and use cases implementation
- **Various use cases are being prepared:** UC-06, UC-07, UC-08, UC-09, UC-10, UC-11 based on existing services and network. UC with VSB involves **QKD cross-border connection. Reference Time and frequency use case involves long distance connection.**
- **PSNC NOC** is working on implementing the monitoring and logging services for QKD infrastructure and services
- **SDN solutions currently analyzed**
- **Real world operational network** with shared infrastructure for quantum and classical communication and services. Connection point with other operators and several types and manufacturers of transmission equipment and encryptors
- **Direct connection with GEANT** node in Poland, network and services.
- **QKD equipment installed at PSNC DC nodes** and under preparation for use cases
- **QKD equipment installed on Ostrava – Cieszyn crossborder line for HPC use cases with VSB**
- **Joint activities with National project NLPQT – National Laboratory for Photonic and Quantum Technologies**



Testbed Poznań

- Testbed has one IDQ system deployed between PSNC primary and backup data centers in Poznań
- TOSHIBA O-band system for different metro use cases
- First use cases focused on HPC applications, medical services and reference time and frequency transmission

MEDVC MENU



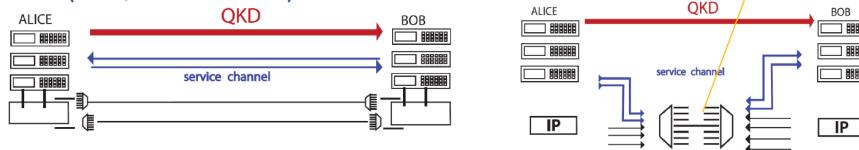
The screenshot shows the website for the National Laboratory for Photonic & Quantum Technologies (NLPQT). The header includes the NLPQT logo, the European Union flag, and the text 'European Union'. There is also a contact email 'biuro.nlpqt@fuw.edu.pl' and an 'English Choose language' option. The main navigation menu includes 'Home', 'About the project', 'Consortium', 'Promotion', 'Events', 'Hardware offer', and 'Contact'. The main content area features a banner with the text 'The National System for Generation and Distribution of Reference Optical Carrier'. Below this is a 'Coordinator' section for Piotr Masłowski, with his contact information: 'pima@fizyka.umk.pl' and 'ID 0000-0001-8882-7106'. A map of Poland shows the 'OPTICAL CARRIER LINK' (orange) and 'QKD LINK' (blue) connecting Toruń, Poznań, Wrocław, Kraków, and Warsaw.



PSNC – VSB crossborder testbed



- 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



SPIE. DIGITAL LIBRARY

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

PAPERS PRESENTATIONS JOURNALS EBOOKS

Wybierz język

4 October 2022

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

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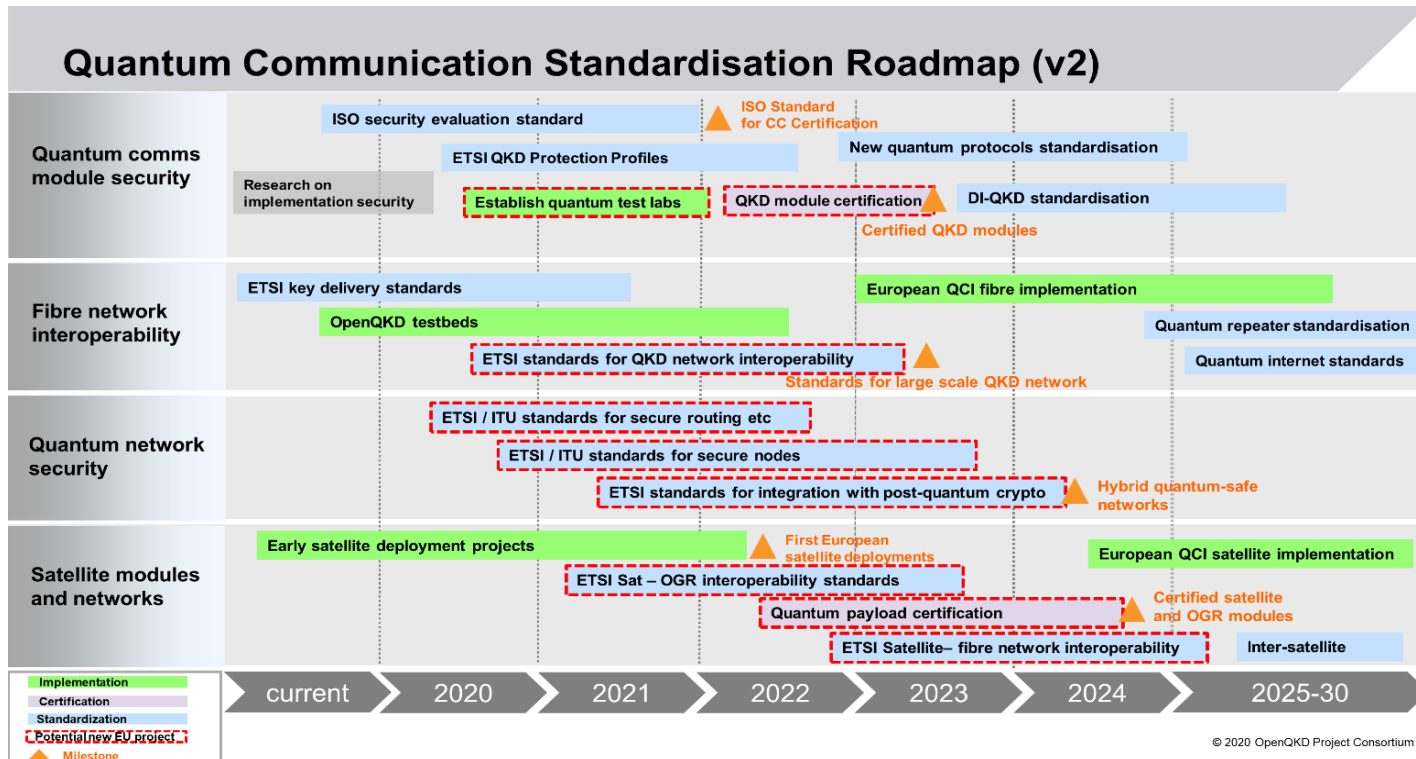
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Abstract

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

STANDARDIZATION AND CERTIFICATION



<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/horizon-results-platform/29227>

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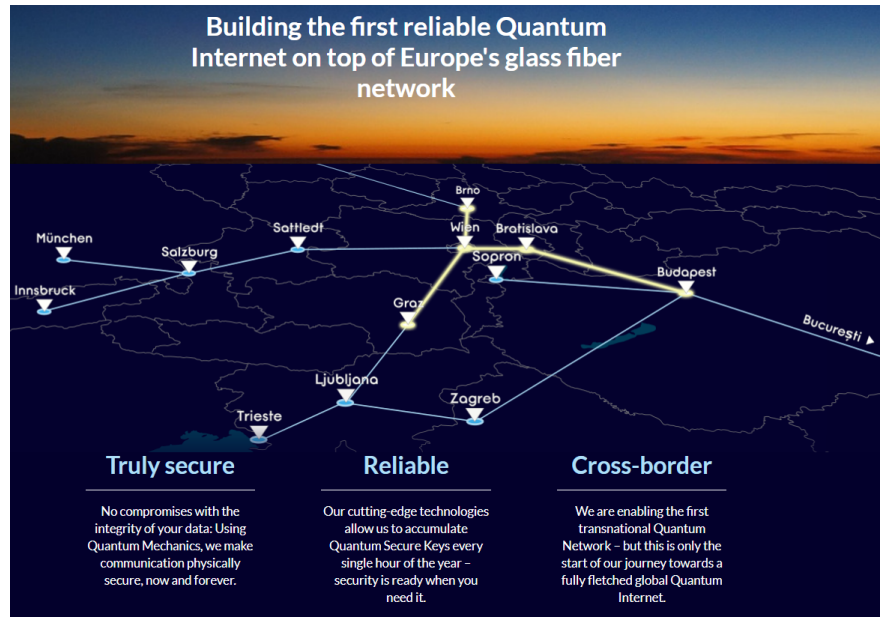
NATIONAL LABORATORY FOR PHOTONICS AND QUANTUM TECHNOLOGIES (NLPQT)

- **Metro QKD research and operational infrastructure in Poznań, integration of QKD solutions**
 - QKD infrastructure (operational and R&D QKD devices, encoders and quantum random number generators)
- **Construction of the 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)
 - 380 km and 5 trusted nodes

QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

QUAPITAL

- Project related to QKD technology and quantum communication
- Focus also on providing infrastructure, especially cross border



Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) Subtask

Network Technology Evolution (WP6 T1) Subtask

Objectives:

- Identify the R&E network community interest and needs
- Involve GÉANT and NREN community in the QKD technology.
- Establish a cooperation with commercial QKD vendors
- Make the NRENs 'quantum aware' and increase the 'knowledge capital'
- Investigate QKD technology, solutions and use cases for the community

Participating organisations:

- CESNET, DFN, GÉANT, KIFU, PSNC, RENATER

Quantum Activities in the QKD Subtask

Survey among EU NRENs on awareness and involvement in Quantum-related projects

- filled in by 70% NRENs
- 68% aware of QKD
- 21% participate in some Quantum-related project
- 61% welcome future training on QT

Activities:

- [Quantum Technologies Status Overview White Paper](#)
- Knowledge sharing - infoshares
- [Quantum Simulators](#)
- Long-haul PoC project
- [Open Quantum Group Meeting](#)
- [Quantum Internet Hackathon 2022](#) co-organisation with RIPE NCC
- [QKD Wiki](#)



Dissemination Activities - GÉANT Infoshares

Previous infoshares (links with presentations and video recordings):

- [Quantum Technologies - Principles, Challenges and Applications](#)
- [Quantum Key Distribution - Practical Implementations, Challenges, R&E Use Cases and Standardisation outlook](#)
- [Quantum Key Distribution \(QKD\) Simulation](#)
- [Quantum Key Distribution \(QKD\) Physical implementation and testbed](#)



Forthcoming Infoshare: 25 November 13:30 - 16:00 CET

Quantum Key Distribution deployments

Registrations: <https://events.geant.org/event/1304/>

Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) Wiki

Gathering and presenting information about

- Quantum Technologies
- The results of the GÉANT project's QKD NETDEV subtask
- Upcoming events

News



GÉANT
Infoshare Nov
25, 2022

Quantum Key Distribution Deployments

This infoshare will present a feedback on the QKD deployment and the lab test performance results. [Read more...](#)

Information

Quantum Fundamentals

Quantum Keys

QKD Protocols

Quantum Simulators

Demo

Events

Further Readings

Join us on our discussion list:

quantum-discuss@lists.geant.org

More information:

<https://wiki.geant.org/display/NETDEV/QKD>

Quantum Internet Hackathon 2022

1-2 December 2022

**Amsterdam, Dublin, Padua, Poznan,
Tashkent, Sarajevo - and online!**



Initiated by RIPE NCC as a follow-up of QIH2019

10 participating organisations, including **PSNC and GÉANT**

6 places + online, including **PSNC in Poznan**

Goals:

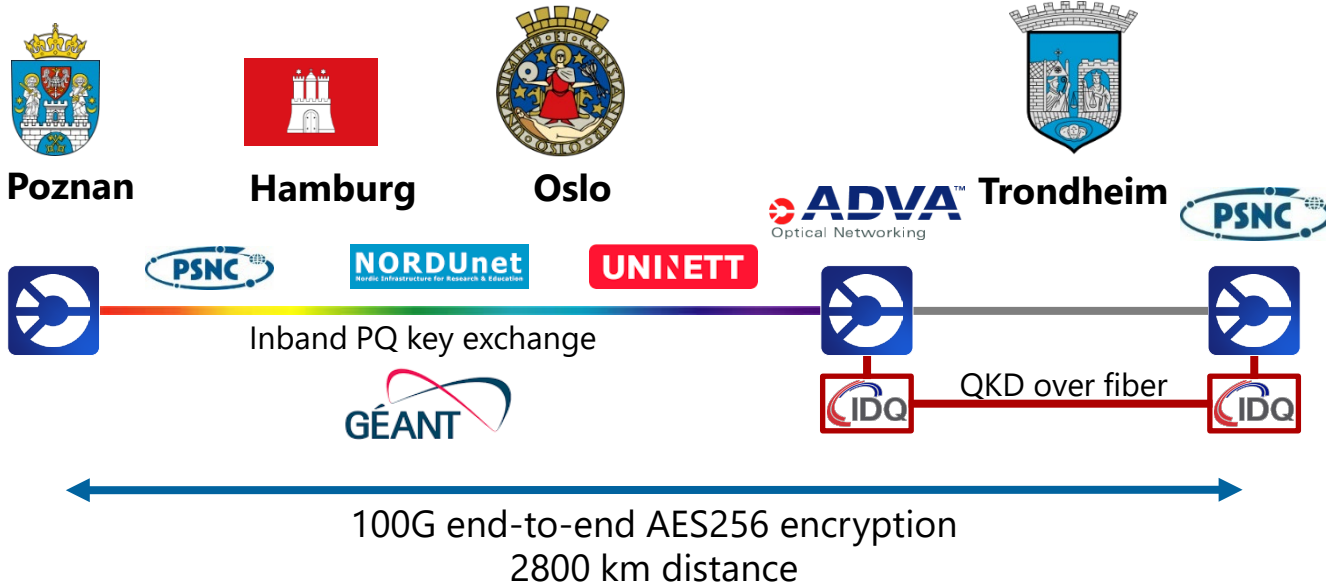
- Sharing existing software and protocols, receiving feedback
- Developing new / improving existing software and tools
- Producing documentation and other materials
- Forging connections between participants and nodes
- Learning about Quantum Networking, monitoring and management

Participating Organisations

- GÉANT
- INHA University of Uzbekistan
- Poznan Supercomputing and Networking Center (PSNC)
- QuTech
- RIPE NCC
- SURF
- The Quantum Internet Alliance
- Trinity College Dublin
- University of Padova
- University of Sarajevo

QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

Post Quantum and QKD demo - TNC18 conference



ENISA logo and a diagram of a Bloch sphere representing a quantum state. The diagram shows a sphere with axes labeled x , y , and z . The top pole is labeled $|z = |0\rangle$ and the bottom pole is labeled $|z = |1\rangle$. A vector $|\psi\rangle$ is shown on the sphere's surface, with angles θ and ϕ indicated. The text below the diagram reads: "POST-QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY Current state and quantum mitigation MAY 2021, v2".



QIRG

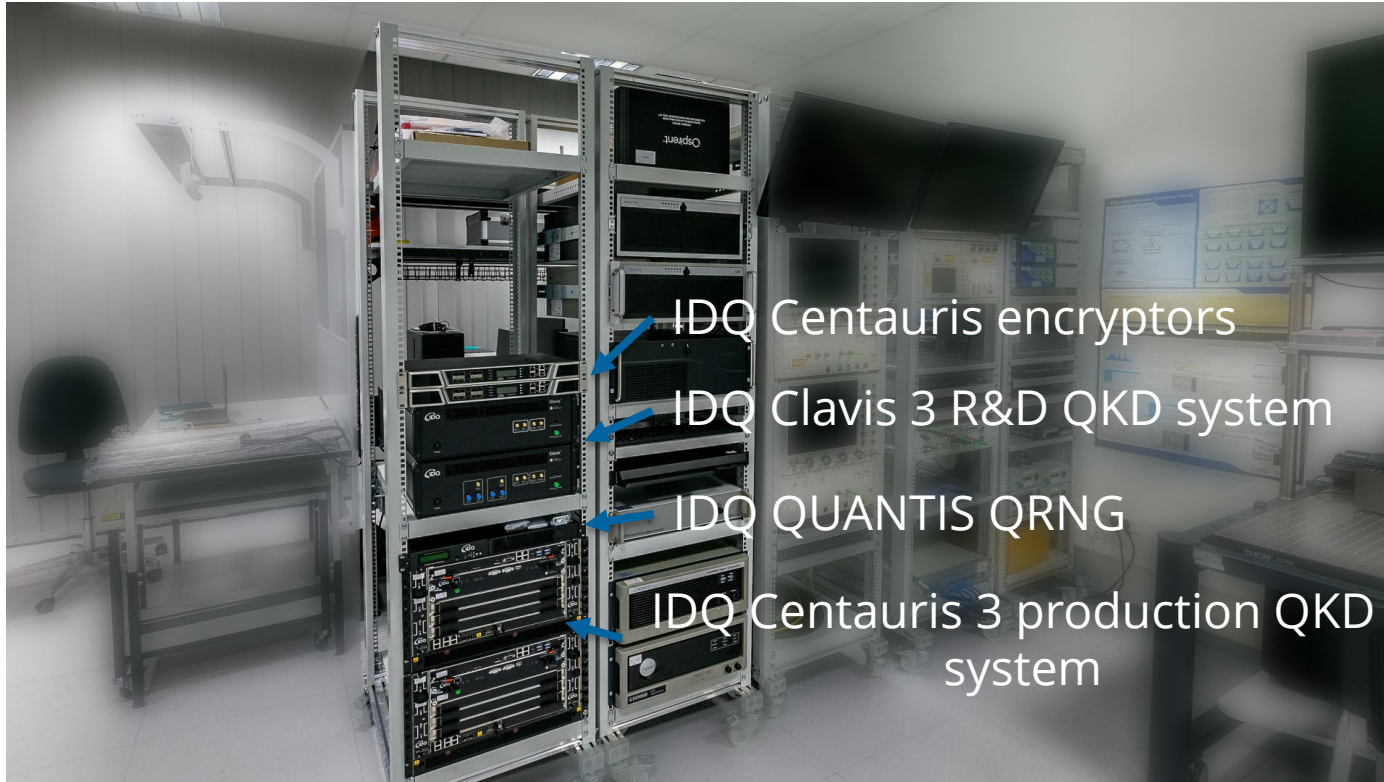
- Document "Applications and Use Cases for the Quantum Internet" (draft-wang-qirg-quantum-internet-use-cases-06) during the last revision (end of May 2020).
- The document "Architectural Principles for a Quantum Internet" (draft-irtf-qirg-principles-03)
- The GÉANT WP6 T1 QKD Group submits its comments
- Abstract: "The Quantum Internet has the potential to improve Internet application functionality by incorporating quantum information technology into the infrastructure of the overall Internet. In this document, we provide an overview of some applications expected to be used on the Quantum Internet, and then categorize them using various classification schemes. Some general requirements for the Quantum Internet are also discussed. The intent of this document is to provide a common understanding and framework of applications and use cases for the Quantum Internet. "

QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

QUANTUM NETWORKS SIMULATORS

- QuISP, Keio/WIDE
- SimulaQron, TU Delft <http://www.simulaqron.org/>
- NetSquid, Dahlberg, TU Delft <https://netsquid.org/>
- SeQueNCe, Suchara, Argonne <https://cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/voices.uchicago.edu/dist/0/2327/files/2019/11/SeQUeNCe.pdf>
- SQUANCH, Bartlett <https://pypi.org/project/SQUANCH/>
- <https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.07047>
- QuNetSim, DiAdamo <https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.06397>
- QKD simulator in ns-3, including routing, Mehic et al <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/8935373> <https://www.qkdnetstim.info/> <https://twitter.com/mickey2>
- Physical-layer, online calculator for SPDC <http://spdcalc.org/>
- QuISP - Quantum Internet Simulation Package https://aqua.sfc.wide.ad.jp/quisp_website/

QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES



IdQ Centauris encryptors

IdQ Clavis 3 R&D QKD system

IdQ QUANTIS QRNG

IdQ Centauris 3 production QKD system



Machine Learning-based Optical and QKD Network Monitoring

ADVA and PSNC

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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 COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

EuroQCI and Digital Europe – PSNC is the coordinator of Polish QCI proposal.

DECLARATION ON A QUANTUM COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE EU

24 Member States

have signed a declaration agreeing to **work together** to explore how to **build a quantum communication infrastructure (QCI)** across Europe, boosting European capabilities in quantum technologies, cybersecurity and industrial competitiveness.

The countries taking part in the initiative are Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden.

@FutureTechEU #EuroQCI



A screenshot of the European Commission website. At the top left is the European Commission logo. To its right is a search bar. Below the logo is a dark blue navigation bar with the text 'Shaping Europe's digital future' and a list of menu items: Home, Policies, News, Library, Funding, Calendar, Consultations. Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb trail: Home > The Digital Europe Programme. The main heading is 'The Digital Europe Programme'. The text below reads: 'The Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL) is a new EU funding programme focused on bringing digital technology to businesses, citizens and public administrations.' Below this is a sub-heading: 'How to make Europe greener and more digital are the twin challenges for our generation, and our success in meeting them will define our future.' The main text continues: 'The European Commission has begun to look at a greener Europe through the lens of the European Green Deal. At the same time, it is opening up discussions about the move to a more digital world: the digital transition.' A paragraph follows: 'Digital technology and infrastructure have a critical role in our private lives and business environments. We rely on them to communicate, work, advance science and answer current environmental problems. At the same time, the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted not only how much we rely on our technology to be available to us, but also how important it is for Europe not to be dependent on systems and solutions coming from other regions of the world. Paving the way for achieving this goal is DIGITAL programme.' The final paragraph states: 'The Digital Europe Programme will provide strategic funding to answer these challenges, supporting projects in five key capacity areas: in supercomputing, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, advanced digital skills, and ensuring a wide use of digital technologies across the economy and society, including through Digital Innovation Hubs. With a planned overall budget of €7.5 billion (in current prices), it aims to accelerate the economic recovery and shape the digital transformation of Europe's societies and enterprises, bringing benefits to everyone, but in particular to small and medium-sized enterprises.' On the right side of the page, there is a vertical list of four blue buttons with white text: 'Funding & Tender Opportunities >', 'Horizon Europe >', 'Connecting Europe Facility >', and 'Work as an expert: Call for'. Above the first button is a small image showing three people in a virtual meeting environment.

QUANTUM COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

PIONIER-Q

- QCI call proposal
- Interconnection between 5 HPC centers in Poland
- Number of use cases and associated activities
- Based on PIONIER fiber infrastructure



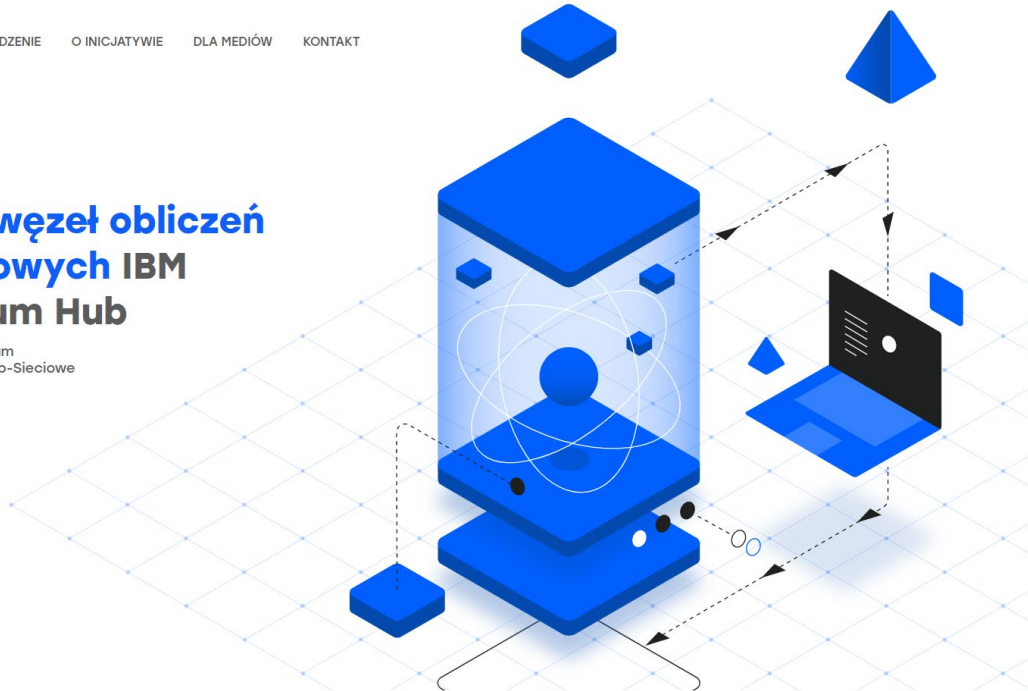
QUANTUM COMPUTING ACTIVITIES

PSNC Quantum Hub - 02.2022 – PSNC joins IBM Quantum Network and Polish Quantum Hub is established

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Polski węzeł obliczeń kwantowych IBM Quantum Hub

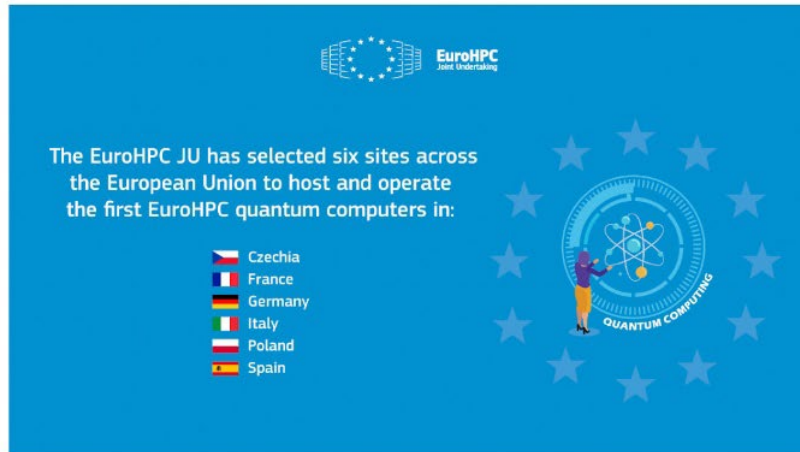
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PSNC is Hosting a Quantum Machine as a part of EuroHPC

Selection of six sites to host the first European quantum computers

The European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU) has selected six sites across the European Union (EU) to host and operate the first EuroHPC quantum computers: Czechia, Germany, Spain, France, Italy, and Poland.



- R&D Purpose
- Available to EU users in scientific communities, industry and the public sector
- To help develop Q applications

https://eurohpc-ju.europa.eu/selection-six-sites-host-first-european-quantum-computers-2022-10-04_en

SUMMARY

- PSNC projects are focused mainly on the implementation and integration aspects
- Support for the whole NREN and GEANT community in Europe
- Possible support for QCI and QCS initiative
- Cooperation with vendors and R&D partners
- Integrating and supporting communities



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