

# **Quantum Internet Community Meetup**

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# **Quantum Training Material**

- Quantum Flagship Training Material
- Quantum Technology Education
- Q-munity Tutorials
- Quantum Fundamentals
- ...



#### Materials on Quantum Key Distribution, provided by the GÉANT Project:

- Quantum Technologies Status Overview White Paper
- Quantum Technologies Principles, Challenges and Applications Infoshare
- QKD Practical Implementations, Challenges, R&E Use Cases and Standardisation Outlook infoshare
- Quantum Key Distribution Simulation infoshare
- QKD, Physical Implementation and Testbed infoshare
- Quantum Key Distribution Deployments infoshare Nov 25, 2022



# **Quantum Internet Community Meetup Agenda**

- Quantum Technologies Background
- Quantum Internet Activities in Europe
  - EU / EC
  - GÉANT
  - PSNC
- Quantum Internet Hackathon
- Discussion: Share Your Story



# **Quantum Technologies - background**

#### **Quantum Technologies**

Allow for the manipulation and exploitation of effects described by quantum mechanics.

Currently in the process of **2nd quantum revolution** 

**Quantum mechanics effects** are used to enhance the capabilities of current measurement, simulation, computation and communication technologies.

#### Nobel prize winner in physics in 2022

Alain Aspect, John F. Clauser and Anton Zeilinger

"for experiments with entangled photons, establishing the violation of Belinequalities and pioneering quantum information science"

#### Winners of the 2023 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics

Charles H. Bennett, Gilles Brassard, David Deutsch and Peter Shor in the field of quantum information



## **Quantum Internet Activities in Europe**

#### Quantum Manifesto EU document released in 2016

- Recognizes importance of quantum area for Europe
- Drafts schedule for the research and real life applications
- Foundation for future programs

### EU Quantum Projects started under <u>The Digital Europe Programme</u> (2021 – 2027):

- Quantum Flagship
- Quantum Key Distribution testbed (SU-ICT-04-2019)
- Quantum Internet Alliance
- Activities in ESA
- Quantum Communication Infrastructure (QCI)
- FPA consortia for quantum networks and quantum Internet

"The Digital Europe Programme (DIGITAL) is a new EU funding programme focused on bringing digital technology to businesses, citizens and public administrations."



# **Quantum Manifesto: Quantum Technologies Timeline**

#### **Quantum Technologies Timeline**



E Quantum repeaters

with cryptography and

merging quantum and

classical communication

eavesdropping detection

F Secure Europe-wide internet

Simulators of quantum

support drug design

dynamics and chemical

reaction mechanisms to



Integration of quantum circuit

and cryogenic classical control

General purpose quantum

computational power of classical computers

computers exceed

E Gravity imaging devices based

with consumer applications

F Integrate quantum sensors

including mobile devices

on gravity sensors

**Quantum** Manifesto

## The Quantum Flagship



- Large-scale research and innovation initiative funded by the EC
- Started in October 2018 and will run for 10 years.
- Goals:
  - Consolidate and expand European scientific leadership and excellence
  - Kick-start a competitive European industry in Quantum Technologies
  - Make Europe a dynamic and attractive region for innovative research, business and investments in this field.
  - 25 projects on Quantum sensing, computers, communication, security, clock, processors, simulation, use cases...
- European funding opportunities for quantum technologies



# The Quantum Internet Alliance (QIA)

The Quantum Internet Alliance has started a seven-year program to build an innovative Quantum Internet ecosystem in Europe.

The first phase has a budget of 24 million euros.

Source: https://qt.eu/about-quantum-flagship/newsroom/quantum-internet-alliance/

- Led by QuTech—a collaboration between the TU Delft and TNO
- Goal:
  - Develop a full-stack prototype network connecting distant cities
  - Connect users in two metropolitan areas, 100+ km apart.
- Project start: October 2022
- Duration: 3,5 years
- Budget of 24 million euros.



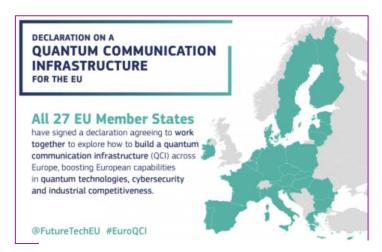
QUANTUM INTERNET ALLIANCE

## The European Quantum Communication Infrastructure (EuroQCI) Initiative

The EuroQCI initiative aims to build a secure quantum communication infrastructure that will span the whole EU, including its overseas territories.

Since June 2019, all 27 EU Member States have signed the European Quantum Communication Infrastructure (EuroQCI) Declaration, signalling their commitment to the EuroQCI initiative.

The participating countries are working with the European Commission and the European Space Agency (ESA) to design, develop and deploy the EuroQCI. The aim is for it to be fully operational by 2027.





# **Quantum Activities in the GÉANT Project**

GÉANT Environment

GÉANT Project QKD Activities



GÉANT is the collaboration of European National Research and Education Networks (NRENs). Together we deliver an information ecosystem of infrastructure and services to advance research, education, and innovation on a global scale.

More information:

https://geant.org/

https://wiki.geant.org/display/netdev/QKD



# The **GÉANT** Project



**GÉANT's vision** is to ensure **equal** network **access for all scientists across Europe to** the research **infrastructures and** the **e-infrastructure resources** available to them.



A part of the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme - GÉANT 2020 Framework Partnership Agreement (FPA)



500 contributors from 40 partners - European R&E Institutions



50 M users



GN4-3 duration: 1 Jan 2019 – 31 December 2022



# The GÉANT Project Structure

WP2 Communications Task1 Communications Graphic Design Task2 Services Marketing Task3 Event

WP3 Stakeholder engagement

WP4 Online services dev & delivery

WP5 T&I services evolution & dev

WP6 Network technologies & services dev

WP7 Net Core Infr & Core Service **Evolution & Ops** 

WP8 Security

WP9 Operations Support

Task1 Partner Relations

Task1 Service delivery: platform

Task1 T&I Services

Task1 Net technology evolution

Task1 Network Engineering & Implementation

Task1 Business Continuity

Task1 Operations Centre including CERT

Task2 Research Engagement

Task2 Service delivery: business desk

Task2 T&I Incubator

Task2 Net services evolution & dev

Task2 Network **Evolution &** Future Planning

Task2 Security Baselining

Task2 Software Governance and Support

Management

Task3 Intelligence Gathering

Task3 Service dev: video conferencing

Task3 **T&I Operational** Support

Task3 Monitoring & Management

Task3 **Implementation** of the Fibre IRU Project

Task3 Products and Services

Task3 Service Management

Task4 **GEANT Software Development** and Operations

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Task4 Service dev: cloud offerings

Task4 T&I Enabling Communities

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WP Leaders: Tim Chown (Jisc), Ivana Golub (PSNC) WP6 budget: > 6,2 mil EUR

33 R&E organisations from 23 countries

88 team members

# **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





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# **Quantum Technologies Status Overview White Paper**

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**Quantum Technologies Status Overview** 

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innovation programme under Grant Agreement No. 856725 (GN4-3).

This document presents an overview and principles of current quantum technologies: services, use cases (including Quantum Key Distribution), projects, initiatives and challenges. It also covers technology testing opportunities, initiatives and strategies for the GEANT and NREN communities.

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# **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: <a href="https://events.geant.org/event/1304/">https://events.geant.org/event/1304/</a>



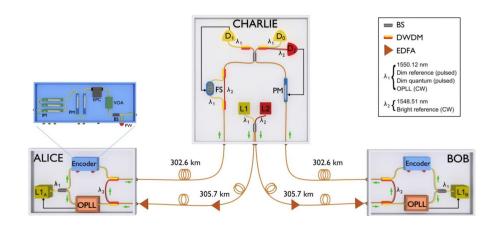
### **Quantum Simulators**

- An overview provided in the <u>Quantum Technologies Status</u> <u>Overview White Paper</u>
- Two simulators tested
  - QuISP (Quantum Internet Simulation Package) An open-source quantum network simulation package optimised for repeater/router software development focussing on optical layer.
  - QKDNETSIM (Quantum Key Distribution Network Simulation Module for NS-3) is targeting more the Quantum key distribution service by itself.
- Results presented at the infoshare:
  - Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) Simulation



# Long-haul QKD proof-of-concept project

- A collaboration between the GÉANT GN4-3 project (WP6, WP7), OpenQKD and Toshiba
- Coordinator: GÉANT
- Between 2 GÉANT PoPs (254 Km)
  - Frankfurt Strasbourg
- Based on a Twin Field Solution







## **Open Quantum Group Meeting**



**Open Quantum Group Meeting** 

join us

every 1st Friday at 14:00 CEST/CET

https://geant.zoom.us/j/4503592607? pwd=UkdRYWZkWIN6bE9SVGVjbktNYVY3dz09 Information- and knowledge sharing about Quantum Technology related work

Subscribe to: <a href="mailto:quantum-discuss@lists.geant.org">quantum-discuss@lists.geant.org</a>

Present your projects and their progress

Inform about important articles, upcoming events and project calls, etc ...



## **Quantum Internet Hackathon 2022**

1-2 December 2022

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



- 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



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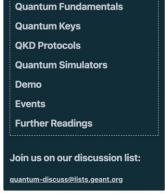


# **Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) Wiki**

#### Gathering and presenting information about

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





Information





# More about our work @ upcoming events

#### 2022

10 November

NOG.HR Meetup
17th SIG-NOC

• 16-17 November

23 November UTC)

24 November

25 November infoshare

• 28 November

• 1-2 December

8 December

**NREN Networks** 

2023

• 14 April

GNA-G Community VC (6-8 am UTC & 8-10 pm

<u>In-band Network Telemetry infoshare</u> Quantum Key Distribution deployments

**Argus infoshare** 

**Quantum Internet Hackathon** 

I2 TechEx:

\* Time and Frequency Services in

\* Monitoring the Hidden: TimeMap

\* Network Automation eAcademy

**Celebrating The World Quantum Day** 

https://events.geant.org/



# **PSNC - Poznań Supercomputing and Networking Center**

PSNC Intro: psnc.pl

Quantum Activities

#### **PSNC** in numbers



470

employees



20

laboratories



29

years of operation



16+

fields of activity



75

current projects



+08

projects in Horizon 2020



# **PSNC - 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 and practical scenarios





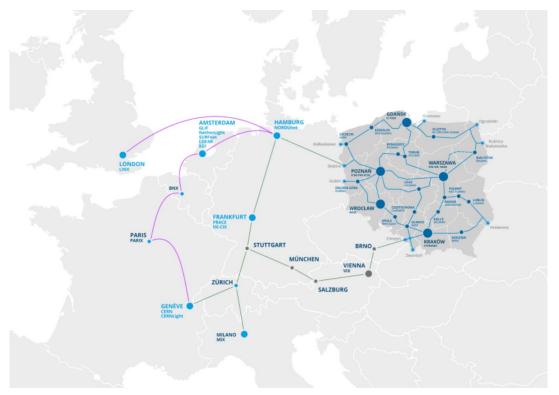
#### **PSNC Network - PIONIER in Poland**



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
Goverment administration	27
Provincial administration	59
District, municipality and city administration	73
Other administration	9
Court and public prosecutor's office	26
<b>Cultural institutions</b>	104
Other educational	27

~10 000 km of fiber in total

# **PIONIER Connectivity in Europe**





## **PSNC Quantum-Related Activities**

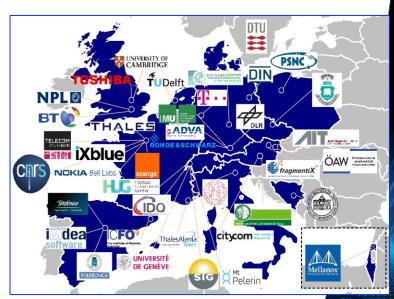
- Quantum Computing
  - Focused on algorithms, uses cases and hardware evaluation
  - Participation in the EuroQCS project

- Quantum Communication Projects
  - OPENQKD (HORIZON2020)
  - NLPQT (NCBiR)
  - QUAPITAL
  - Quantum Internet Research Group QIRG (IETF)
  - GÉANT
  - EuroHPC Quantum Machine
  - QCI proposal for Poland



# **PSNC** in the OpenQKD Project

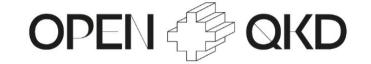
- Construction of QKD testbeds in Europe and implementation of 40 different scenarios for services using QKD technology
- Project start: October 2019, 3 years
- Poznań is one of the main testbeds.
- Implementation and integration of QKD technology in the existing infrastructure and services of the POZMAN and PIONIER networks.
- PSNC participates in works related to standardisation activities and IPR
- PSNC will develop data management and analysis software

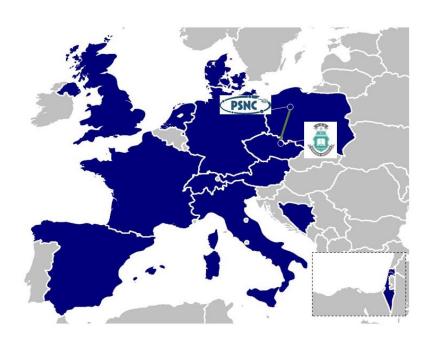


OpenQKD Project Consortium



# **International QKD Link with CESNET**



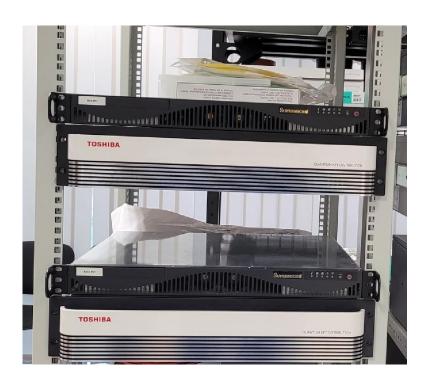


International link using Quantum Key Distribution technology on the Ostrava-Cieszyn route – a successful test of the new technology as part of the OPENQKD project

2021-08-1



# QKD TESTBED – QKD equipment (OPENQKD)



TOSHIBA QKD system capable of quantum and classical signals copropagation



# **NLPQT (NCBiR)**



NLPQT - National Laboratory for Photonics and Quantum Technologies NCBiR - The National Centre for Research and Development

Construction of metro QKD research and operational infrastructure, 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

- 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)



# **NLPQT QKD TESTBED – QKD and QRNG equipment**



Quantum Key Distribution (QKD)

Quantum Random Number Generation (QRNG)



## NREN Collaboration in a Quantum Communication Demo

#### TNC18, TNC21 presentation and demos, QIA, OPENQKD, QUAPITAL and EuroQCI

Post Quantum and QKD algorithms demo - TNC18 conference https://tnc18.geant.org/core/event/96.html Poznan Hamburg Oslo Trondheim **NORDUnet** UNINETT Inband PQ key exchange OKD over fiber 100G end-to-end AES256 encryption 2800 km distance



#### Live Demo at TNC21 and TNC22 conference – PSNC booth





#### Machine·Learning·based·Optical·and·QKD·Network· **Monitoring**

#### ADVA and PSNC

<sup>1</sup>ADVA Optical Networking, Fraunhoferstrasse 9a, Martinsried, Germany, 82152 <sup>2</sup>Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel, Kaiserstr. <sup>2</sup>, Kiel, Germany, <sup>2</sup>4143 3PSNC, Wieniawskiego 17/19, 61-704, Poznań, Poland mwenning@adva.com

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 alsohas the capability of monitoring the performance of QKD links.

#### KMS for Multi-vendor Interoperable QKDN

TNC 2021 Demo

ADVA, PSNC and IDQ



https://tnc21.geant.org/demonstrations/#c562



### **QUAPITAL**

Building the first reliable Quantum Internet on top of Europe's glass fiber network

- QUAntum Photonic Intercity TrAnsmission Lattice (QUAPITAL)
- https://quapital.eu/
- Using the existing fibre infrastructure

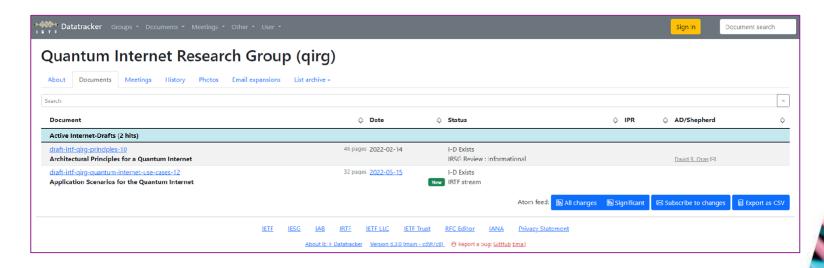
• Led by Institut für Quantenoptik und Quanteninformation (IQOQI

Vienna)





# **Input for QIRG activities**



https://datatracker.ietf.org/rg/qirg/documents/



### **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



# **Quantum Internet Hackathon 2022**



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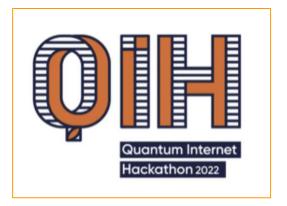
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## **QIH 2022 - Guidelines**

### All our hackathons are:

- Non-commercial; we are a not-for-profit organisation and have no monetary prizes
- All resulting software and tools are released under non-commercial licences
- Non-competitive; we prefer cooperation and teamwork



### QIH 2022 - Challenge

### The Hackathon Challenge

The goal of this hackathon is to develop some of the first applications that use quantum mechanics as a tool for communications, to catch a glimpse of the quantum Internet. An example of this kind of application is a browser that can load a web page over an encrypted HTTPS connection using a secret key generated by a quantum key distribution (QKD) protocol. Similarly, many other applications that need to encrypt their online traffic, such as e-mail or online messaging, can be integrated with QKD. Different protocols involving nodes of the network can be implemented, from quantum game theory to multi-party quantum measurements.

### Existing projects and challenges:

- Using SimulaQron to simulate quantum network
- Integrating QKD into OpenSSL to enable running quantum encrypted TLS connections
- Design and implement applications that use Quantum Protocol Zoo
- Use the QNE Application Development Kit
- Designing protocols for resource sharing among multiple nodes for routing information within a quantum network



### **QIH 2022 - Practical information**

#### **Important Dates and Deadlines**

- 1 October 2022: Applications open
- 1 November 2022: First deadline for applications
- 10 November 2022: Preliminary list of participants published
- 1-2 December 2022: Quantum Internet Hackathon takes place simultaneously at all nodes

#### Before the event

Applicants can use the collaborative tools (such as discussion mailing list, EtherPad and IRC) to help plan shared work. We will also organise a webinar to introduce the available tools and proposed projects for participants a week or two before the event. You are encouraged to check out the code and projects submitted during previous hackathons, available on GitHub.

#### During the event

Standard work/play times for the event are 9am - 5pm (UTC+1), depending on the location. The "marathon" side of the event might mean that cooperation can extend deep into the night! There will be scheduled "touch-base" video links between all the nodes and online participants twice every day, but due to the different time zones, and due to the virtual team participants, we will announce the exact times later on.

In addition to already proposed challenges, participants are encouraged to propose projects they wish to work on, either completely new ideas, or existing projects.

Participants will work in small teams, with each team focusing on a chosen project. All source code developed during the hackathon will be publicly licensed and available on GitHub, and accessible for the entire community to use. A variety of goodies will be provided for participating.



#### Venues and Travel

The event is free of charge - there is no fee to pay and food and drinks will be provided throughout the event on both days. The organisers will not be making any travel or accommodation arrangements for participants. The hackathon takes place simultaneously in six nodes. Make sure you select the node of your choice when filling in the application form. The precise locations for each node will be published closer to the actual event date.

#### After the Hackathon

Since this event is very short, we are conscious that most of the work will have to be done either in advance or in the future. For the sake of continuity, all projects will be documented on GitHub, and the teams will be encouraged to stay in touch with each other, and to join our follow-up events in 2023. Since we want to focus on collaboration and not on competition, there will be no single prize winner. We will showcase all achievements during the closing session. Several projects will be awarded symbolic prizes, in the categories of 'Most Innovative Solution', Best Team Work' and Most Complete Presentation'.

### **Quantum Communications in Ireland**



Eoin Kenny, HEANet
Mick O'Donovan, HEAnet

# **Quantum Communications in Ireland**

#### IrelandQCI Consortium

- HEAnet (Ireland National Education and Research Network) is a member of IrelandQCI
- IrelandQCI is participating in EuroQCI calls (National and Cross Border)
- Planning on building a national staging network for quantum communications
- Initially focused on QKD but Quantum Communications is the main goal
- Starting in early 2023

### National Initiative called Equity (Éire Strategy for quantum information and technology)

- Consists of Universities and Industry partners
- Organises workshops and events on all things quantum

#### **HEAnet - Questions?**

- How to build Quantum Communications networks what are the building blocks?
- Coexistence of Classical and Quantum Networks how to?
- Monitoring and alerting of Quantum Communications networks how to?
- How do you know if your quantum communication network is working?
- What type of SLA can you provide your customers with?

# **Discussion - Share Your Story!**

- Name
- Organisation
- Your organisation main line of business?
- Your organisation current main focus?
- Your role in your organisation?

- Your experience with Quantum Technologies?
- Next steps?
- Needs on your path towards QT deployment?
- What do you want to know about QT?





# Thank you

Any questions?

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