

SouthernLight: New GOLE for Latin America

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Introduction



- The WHREN-LILA (IRNC) link was installed between Miami and São Paulo in 2005, and appeared on the 2005 GLIF map as a "bridge to nowhere".
- The production of the new map this year stimulated the formalisation of Brazilian participation in the GLIF community, putting our resources on the map:
 - 3 networks
 - Southern Light GOLE in São Paulo
 - (for now) two GLIF members (CPqD and RNP)



Global Lambda Integrated Facility World Map (2008)





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GLIF in Brazil



- Brazil's contribution to GLIF comes from 3 separate networks:
 - RNP's national R&E network
 - leases 2.5 and 10G waves to 10 cities from local telcos (12000 km)
 - building dark fibre metro networks in 27 state capitals
 - Project GIGA optical testbed, run by RNP and CPqD (former telco industry R&D centre)
 - dark fibre linking 20 research institutions in 7 cities (750 km)
 - KyaTera research network in São Paulo state
 - dark fibre linking research institutions in 9 cities (1000 km)
- Southern Light GOLE in São Paulo connected to AMPATH GOLE in Miami by the WHREN-LILA link (IRNC)
 - currently 2.5 Gbps
 - will increase to at least 10 Gbps this year (10G unprotected link currently costs \$2.5M annually)

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IPÊ - RNP's national backbone network

Last major reform in 2005

Capacity reflects available telco infrastructure

Currently composed of:

- Multigigabit core network
 - 4 PoPs at 10 Gbps, and 6 PoPs at 2.5 Gbps
 - IP over lambdas (12.000 km)
 - MPLS used with L2VPNs
- **Terrestrial SDH connections** to 15 PoPs
 - Most links are 34 Mbps
 - Some at 2 Mbps
 - Some upgrades in 2007 to 102 and 155 Mbps
- 2 PoPs connected by satellite at 2 and 4 Mbps









Community-based optical metropolitan networks



- Since 2004, RNP has also concentrated its attention on metropolitan networks, to provide adequate access to the multigigabit IPÊ network
 - Funding provided by Science and Technology ministry, complemented by contributions from state and city governments and by private R&E participants
- These metro networks are usually based on owned dark fiber networks, shared between the R&E institutions served
 - typically operate at 1 Gbps and permit:
 - interconnection of the campi of the participating institutions
 - access to RNP's IPÊ network PoP
 - reduction of current costs
 - easy to upgrade (e.g. to 10 Gbps) just replace the terminal equipment
- Pilot project: o projeto MetroBel na cidade de Belém do Pará, whose metropolitan area has a population of 2.2 millions
 - network was inaugurated in May 2007
- All 27 capital city metro networks to be installed by 2009



MetroBel

- 12 institutions with 32 campi
- each institution has its own pair of fibers (for internal connectivity)
- 30 km ring (48 fibres)
- 10 km extension to Ananindeua (36 fibres)
- 12 km access links (6 fibres) to IPÊ network
 Institution A RNP PoP
 Institution B

Institution C

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Networks Inaugurated (by Sept 2008) Fortaleza Manaus 🣍 Belém (10.9.2008)(19.09.2007) (20.05.2007)Natal (25.04.2008)Brasília (18.12.2007)Vitória (27.08.2007)São Paulo (19.8.2008)Florianópolis (25.10.2007)Programa

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Project GIGA – optical networking testbed



- Partnership between
 - RNP
 - CPqD (telco industry R&D centre in Campinas, SP) <u>www.cpqd.com.br</u>
 - R&D community in industry and universities
- Objectives:
 - build an advanced networking testbed for development and demonstration purposes
 - support R&D subprojects in optical and IP networking technology and advanced applications and services
- Industry participation (telcos provide the fibres without cost; technology transfer of products and services to Brazilian Industries and telcos required)
- Government funding for equipment and R&D activities (2003-2008)









GIGA testbed network – location



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Testbed network design





- layer 1 equipment from the Brazilian firm, Padtec (<u>www.padtec.com.br</u>)
- layer 2/3 equipment from Extreme Networks



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KyaTera research network in SP state



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KyaTera: details



- Dark fibre network from carrier (Telefonica)
- Layer 1 equipment (ROADM) from PadTec
- Layer 2 equipment (Ethernet) from Datacom
 - 10G channels between São Paulo, Campinas and São Carlos
 - 1G on other links
- External connections to US (WHREN/LILA) and nationally (via RNP networks)
- Research programme included network development



Southern Light (SOL) GOLE



- This GOLE interconnects the 3 Brazilian participating networks, linking them to the WHREN-LILA link to the AMPATH GOLE in Miami
- SOL is co-administered by ANSP and RNP, the Brazilian partners in the WHREN-LILA project
- Distributed GOLE: not all 3 networks and WHREN-LILA are colocated, so initially there are 3 interconnected sites with redundant links.
 - U of São Paulo (USP) the RNP PoP in São Paulo
 - Cotia PoP of Global Crossing's network
 - Barueri Terremark's NAP of Brazil
- With upcoming upgrades, this should be reduced to 2 by next month.









Initial uso of international L2 circuits



- October 2007: RNP collaborated with i2Cat (Catalonia, Spain) to participate in the Artfutura event in Barcelona.
 - 100 Mbps circuit manually provisioned between Rio de Janeiro and Barcelona
 - domains involved: RNP-GIGA, RedCLARA, GEANT, RedIris, i2Cat
- January 2008: LHC/CMS collaboration requested circuits between CERN and UNESP (São Paulo) and UERJ (Rio) in Brazil
 - domains involved: RNP-GIGA, RNP-Ipê, AMPATH, A-Wave, MAX, Starlight, ManLan, Netherlight, CERN
- Probable future use for e-VLBI collaboration between MIT and ROEN observatory near Fortaleza, Ceará (initial phase)



Future developments



- All three Brazilian networks involved are in the process of upgrading their links and technologies
 - RNP plans is currently tendering for increased capacity on the current multi-Gbps core and for including 5 more PoPs
 - RNP has initiated planning of its next national network (2009-10) based on hybrid packet-circuit architecture, in order to interoperate with international partners
 - GIGA testbed will be used to prototype and study alternatives
 - KyaTera has similar plans, announced at GLIF2007
- An important component is access to wide area fibre/waves
 - several projects under study for achieving this, first demonstrated in the northern state of Pará



Navega Pará – a statewide optical network



- <u>http://www.navegapara.pa.gov.br/</u> (only in Portuguese)
- After the success of the Metrobel project in the capital, Belém, the state government decided to extend advanced networking to the rest of the state
 - Collaboration with the electric companies (Eletronorte and Rede Celpa), which have their own OGPW installed
 - The state government is paying for installing 8-wave 10G
 DWDM systems, and splitting the capacity with the owner of the fibre
 - Network to be used for research and education, as well as government and social inclusion objectives
- A similar scheme is also being carried out in Ceará state (capital: Fortaleza)



Optical fibre in Pará state





A paradigm for future expansion



- RNP and its partners are actively seeking similar opportunities with utility companies (and others) with fibre assets, to encourage similar projects
 - As state schemes are geographically limited, there is a tendency to create interstate collaborations (cross state border fibres)
- Similar initiatives are also being taken at the regional level, spearheaded by CLARA, the association of Latin American NRENs
 - The first projects in discussion are the links Chile-Argentina and Argentina-Brazil which also involve the corresponding NRENs
 - This could expand GLIF to reach Argentina and Chile soon.
 - Future plans for terrestrial fiber links to the North



RedCLARA2: first optical initiatives



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Conclusion



- GLIF development is proceeding in Brazil, by incorporating and extending current network infrastructure and applications
- The high cost of submarine circuits to Latin America is a brake on speedy increase of international links
- New paradigm for acquiring high-capacity links through collaboration with utility companies in Brazil
- The same thinking applied to the rest of Latin America will determine the future of regional integration and global access





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