

Fælles drift af netværk, kabelforbindelser over Nordpolen og andre internationale trends

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Nordic Polar Connect

A vision for a submarine cable system through the Arctic, on a short and unique route towards Asia and the West Coast of North America

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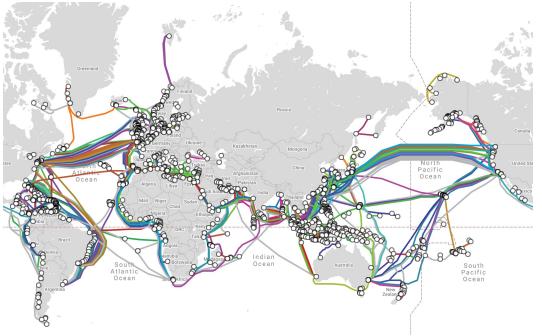
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A Problem Statement

Today, Europe's essential connectivity to both Asia and North America is concentrated along 3 main corridors:

- **Towards the West:** Terminating on the East Coast of the USA, where older cables are now being replaced by new cable systems, owned and operated by dominant foreign technology companies.
- **Towards Northern Asia**: Through Russia and China, with cable systems predominantly owned by companies under significant non-European government control.
- **Towards Southeast Asia:** Through Egypt, served by consortia, predominantly consisting of non-European telecommunications carriers with significant foreign government ownership and cable systems that exhibit regular outages.

This current dependency on non-European cable systems is an area of major concern that needs to be addressed. Countries in the European Union **do not have a Digital Connectivity Strategy**



An Arctic Submarine Cable System

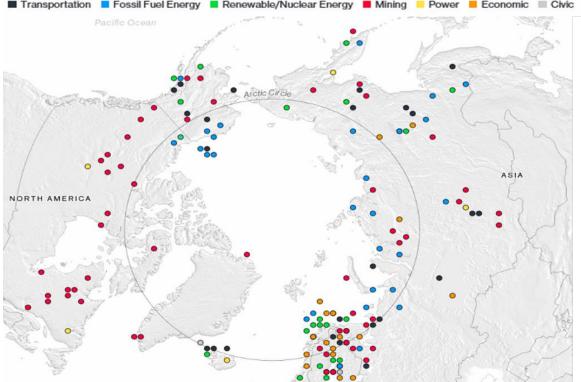
- A route to Asia and the West Coast of North America:
 - Adding resilience to the global fabric of submarine cables
 - Lowering the latency towards Japan and West Coast of North America
 - Increasing the stability & availability
 - Adding to European Digital Independence
- But also, for the Nordics:

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- Transforming the Nordics from Internet stub to right on the highway
- Stimulating infrastructure development in the High North
- Tapping into renewable energy for data centers
- Last but not least, bring unprecedented connectivity for R&E

This is Gravity North

Arctic Region Development



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- Arctic areas can be a game changer for global connectivity and therefore infrastructure investments and growth plans should be planned and developed with both private and public interests
- There are 900 planned projects in the region requiring 1 trillion USD investments; need for infrastructure in the area is eminent
- Especially northern parts of Russia pursue a huge potential for economic growth and development
- Building data centers in areas with renewable energy
 provides growth potential with less environmental impact
- Data centers and cloud providers are an important part of the ecosystem together with operators

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The European Community Drivers

<u>1. Enhancing European Digital Independence</u>

Polar Connect will address the major concern that today Europe is served by many non-European cable systems

Polar Connect will enable a innovative new route creating increased stability and lower latency between Europe, Asia and North America

3. European Impact on Global Research

Polar Connect will further improve:

- Interconnecting European Research Infrastructures and the European Scientist with their Global Partners
- Provide a Unique and highly scalable
 Communication infrastructure for EuroHPC

2. Strengthening Digital Europe

Polar Connect will help DIGITAL EUROPE to contribute to the creation of the right framework for Europe's evolution to a gigabit society interconnecting with high growth markets in Asia

4. Strengthening European Innovation

Polar Connect will further improve:

- European Technology Knowledge in constructing Submarine Cable infrastructures in the artic Region
- Give European Companies increased access to High Speed Connectivity to Asia



"To be digitally sovereign, the EU must build a truly digital single market, reinforce its ability to define its own rules, to make autonomous technological choices, and <u>to develop and</u> <u>deploy strategic digital capacities and infrastructure</u>."

European Council Conclusions, 2 October 2020

All 27 EU Member States, Norway and Iceland signed the

"European Data Gateways" Ministerial Declaration

Four Platforms to secure Europe's connectivity:

- > The EU-Atlantic Data Gateway Platform
- > The EU-Mediterranean Data Gateway Platform

The EU-North Sea & Arctic Data Gateway Platform

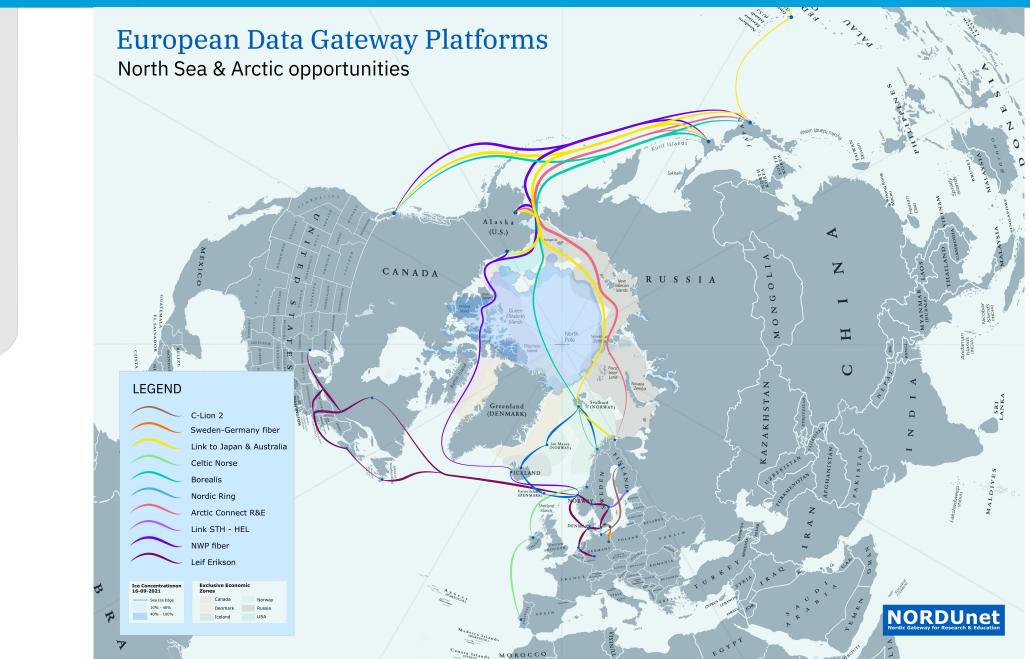
The EU-Baltic-to-Black Sea Data Gateway Platform



https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news/digital-day-2021-europe-reinforce-internet-connectivity-global-partners



Arctic Cable Routes (artist's impression)



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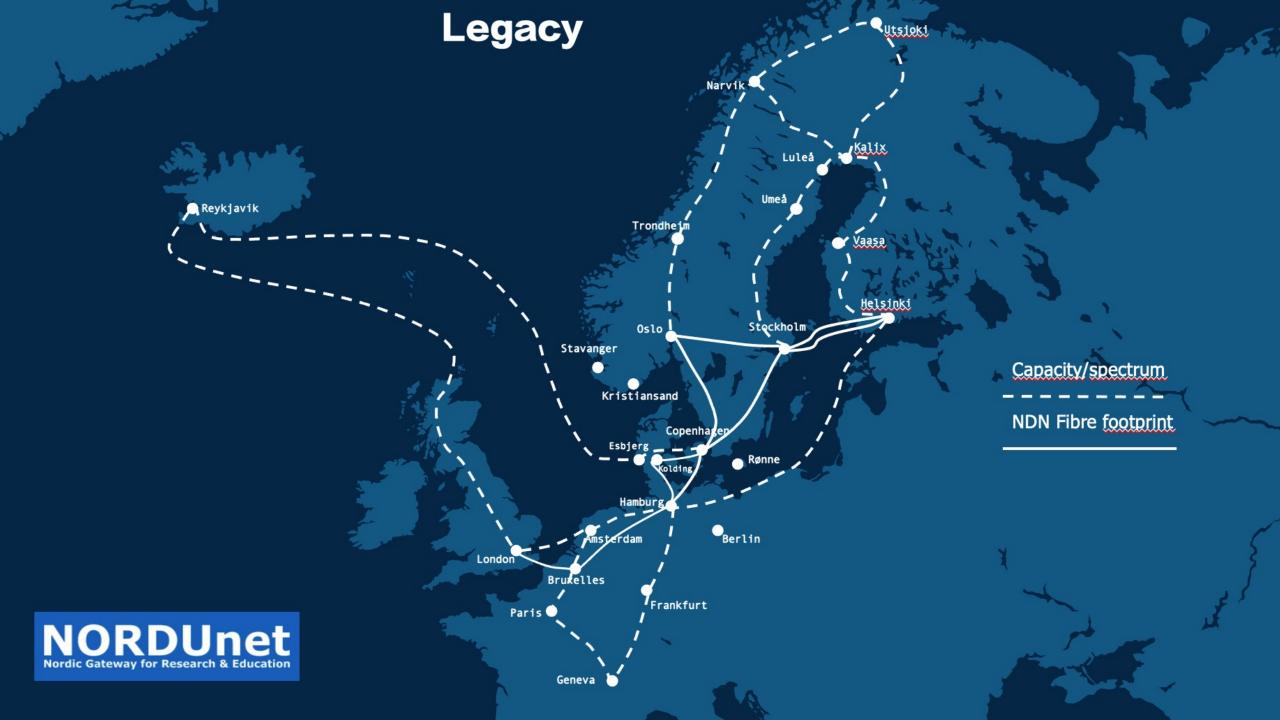


Nordic Polar Connect brings *Gravity North*

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Building Networks together NORDUnet NEXTgen Network



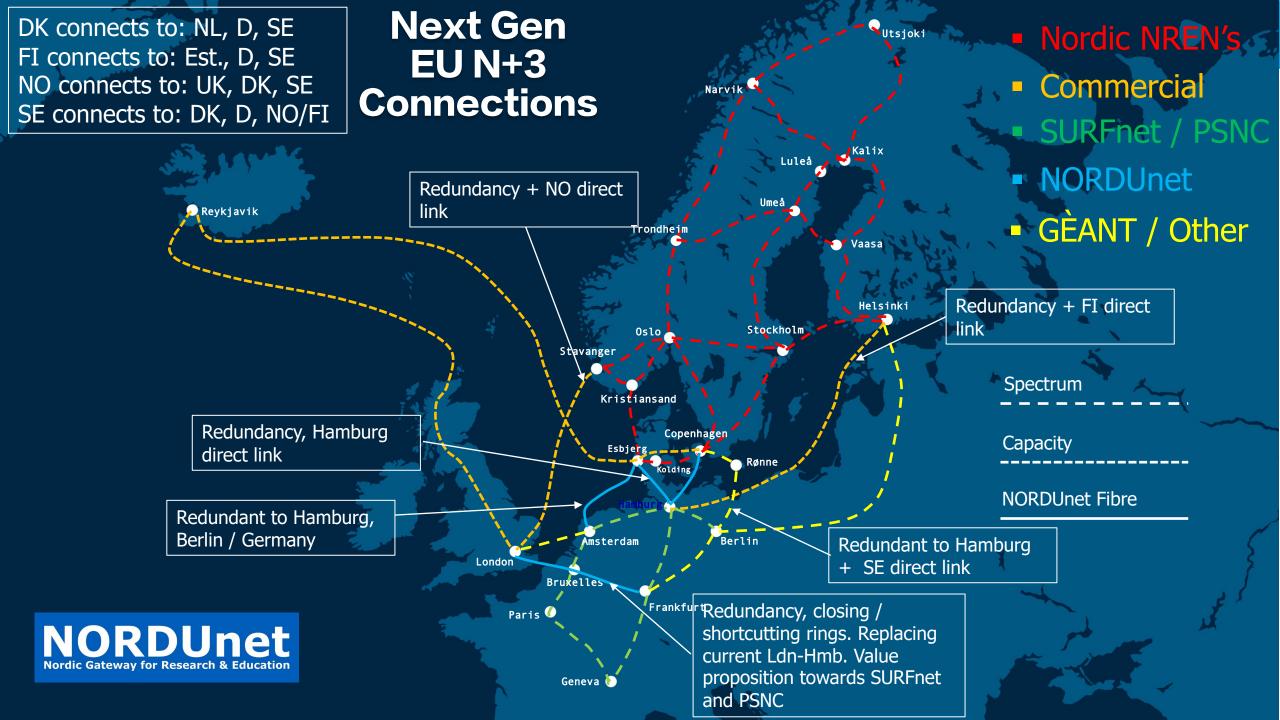


- Accommodate a ladder architecture
- Adding real geographic redundancy out of Norway
- Adding redundancy N+2(3)
- Have topology protect against major city or regional infrastructure outages
- Have one link from each NREN to Europe not touching any other Nordic NREN
- Using NREN spectrum where technically possible

"Redundancy to support 100% availability starts with the number 3"



Resulting NORDUnet Nextgen architecture







- Create sufficient redundancy to lower the operational cost by;
 - Minimising the need for 24/7 support in the classic sense
 - Lowering the on site support levels and spare parts to NBD (Next Business Day)
 - Establish a federated operations model
 - NREN engagement in Planning, Engineering and Operations.
 - Focus has been on completing the Optical nextGEN infrastructure,, IP and more stuff to come.

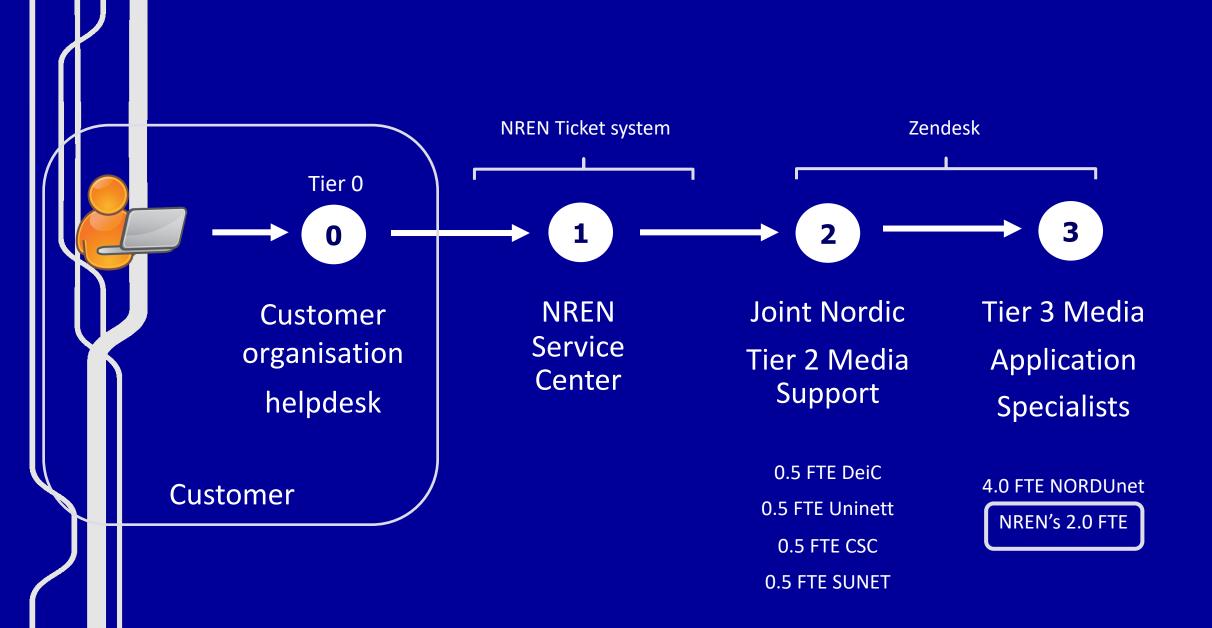






NREN support structure
 Automated monitoring - status.nordu.net
 Zoom distributed setup
 Fun facts....

Media Services Support Structure

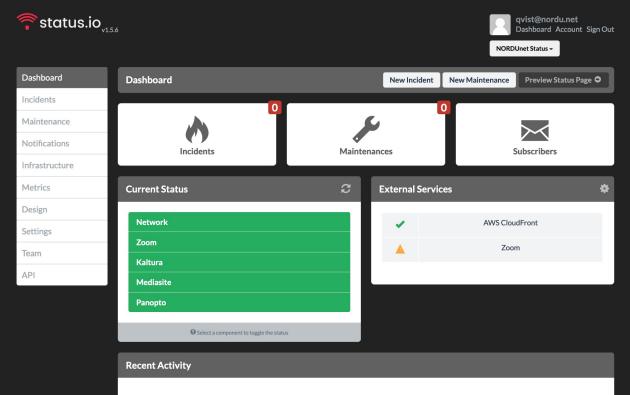


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Status.io – status.nordu.net

AWS CloudFront

Zoom



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Source	Time	Status	Component	Container
Pingdom	September 28, 2021 7:23:34AM	Operational	Mediasite	Mediasite On-Premise
Pingdom	September 28, 2021 12:05:33AM	Service Disruption	Mediasite	Mediasite On-Premise
Dashboard	September 16, 2021 2:41:35PM	Operational	Zoom	Zone 1 - Backup
Dashboard	September 16, 2021 2:41:11PM	Planned Maintenance	Zoom	Zone 1 - Backup
Incident	September 7, 2021 2:46:40PM	Operational	Panopto	Panopto - On-Premise
Incident	September 7, 2021 2:45:25PM	Service Disruption	Panopto	Panopto - On-Premise
Component Created	September 7, 2021 2:24:33PM	Operational	Network	Denmark

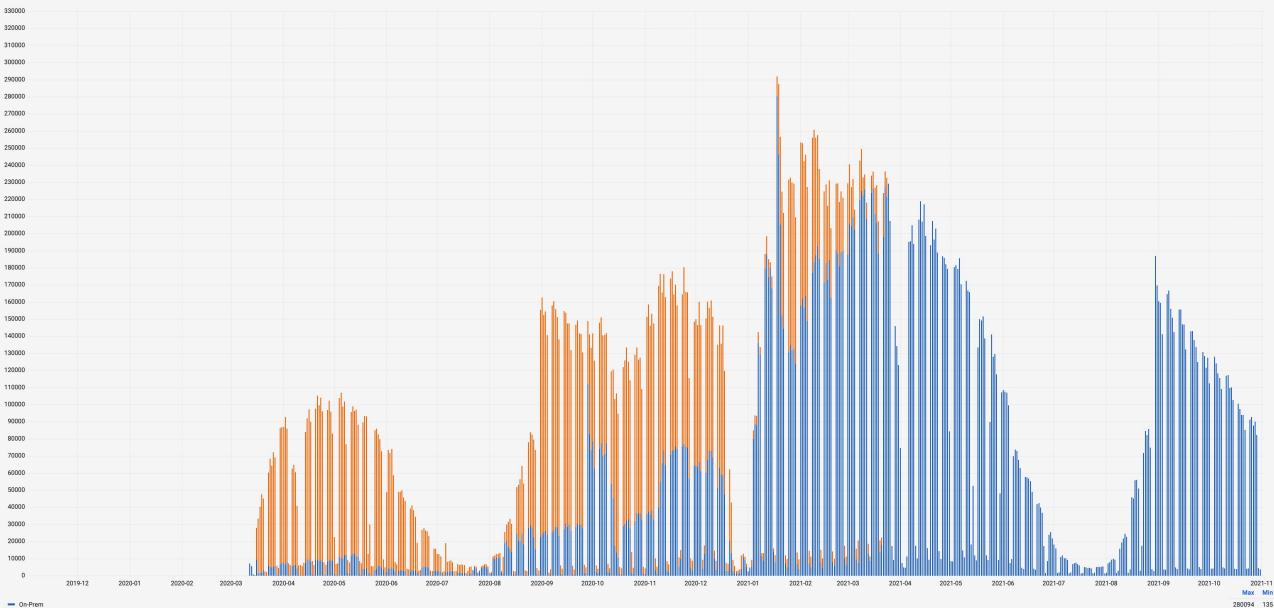
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All Systems Operational		Updated a few seconds ago
For detailed Network status pl	lease visit: nunoc.org/nunocweb/oper	n_trouble_tickets.html
Network Denmark Finland Iceland Norway Sweden		Operational
Zoom On-Premise Recording Zone 2 - DK #1 Zone 3 - SE #1 Zone 6 - FI Zone 7 - NO	Zone 4 - SE #2 Zone 5 - DK #2	Operational
Kaltura Mediaspace Transcoding Live streaming		Operational
Mediasite Mediasite On-Premise		Operational
Panopto Panopto - On-Premise		Operational
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Upcoming Maintenances	Incidents Last 30 Days	Maintenances Last 30 Days
External Services		

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Concurrent Meeting Connections

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Concurrent Peak Connections

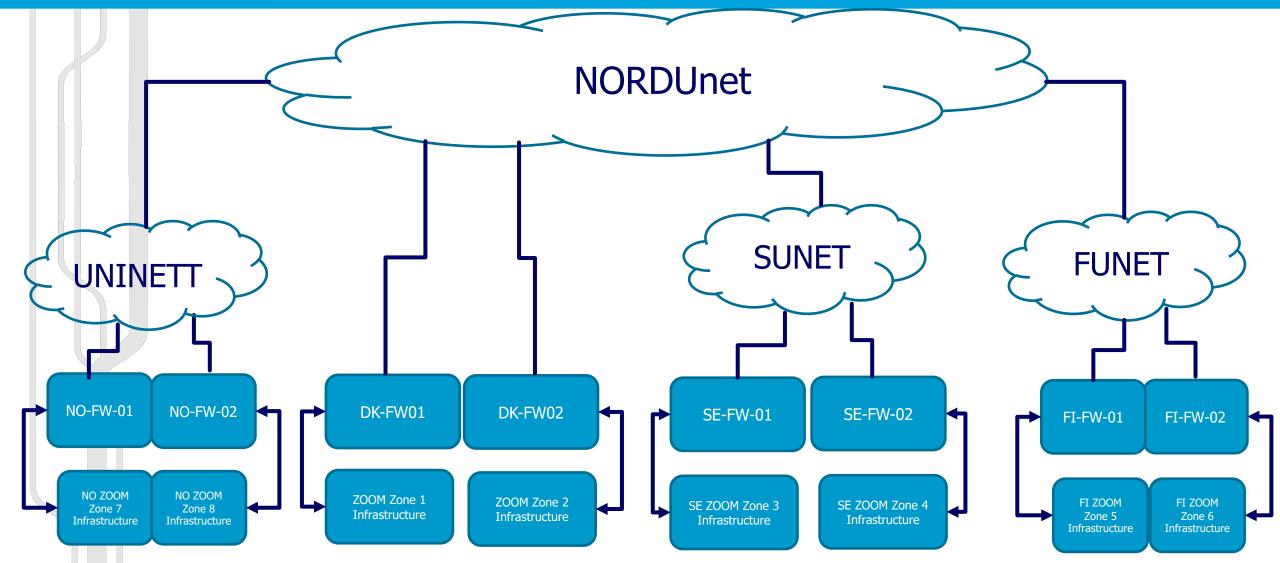


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Zoom distributed - High level design



2.000 host's installed (more or less)



Zoom On-Prem 2019/2020/2021 meeting minutes

2019

2020

2021

Total minutes	111.117.900
Total hours	1.851.965
Total days	77.165

211 YEARS!

Total minutes	7.960.260.573	
Total hours	132.671.009	15.145 YEARS!
Total days	5.527.958	

Total minutes	11.915.775.326	
Total hours	198.596.255	22.670 YEARS!
Total days	8.274.843,97	



On-Prem KALTURA

KALTURA

2020

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- 630.000 VIDEOS UPLOADED
- PLAYED 70.000.000 TIMES
- 2.300.000 GIGABYTES STREAMED

2019

- 400.000 VIDEOS UPLOADED
- PLAYED 30.000.000 TIMES
- 1.200.000 GIGABYTES STREAMED

2021 (ytd - October)

- 620.875 VIDEOS UPLOADED
- PLAYED 67.378.259 TIMES

2.200.000 GIGABYTES STREAMED



Questions