

Evolution of an IXP

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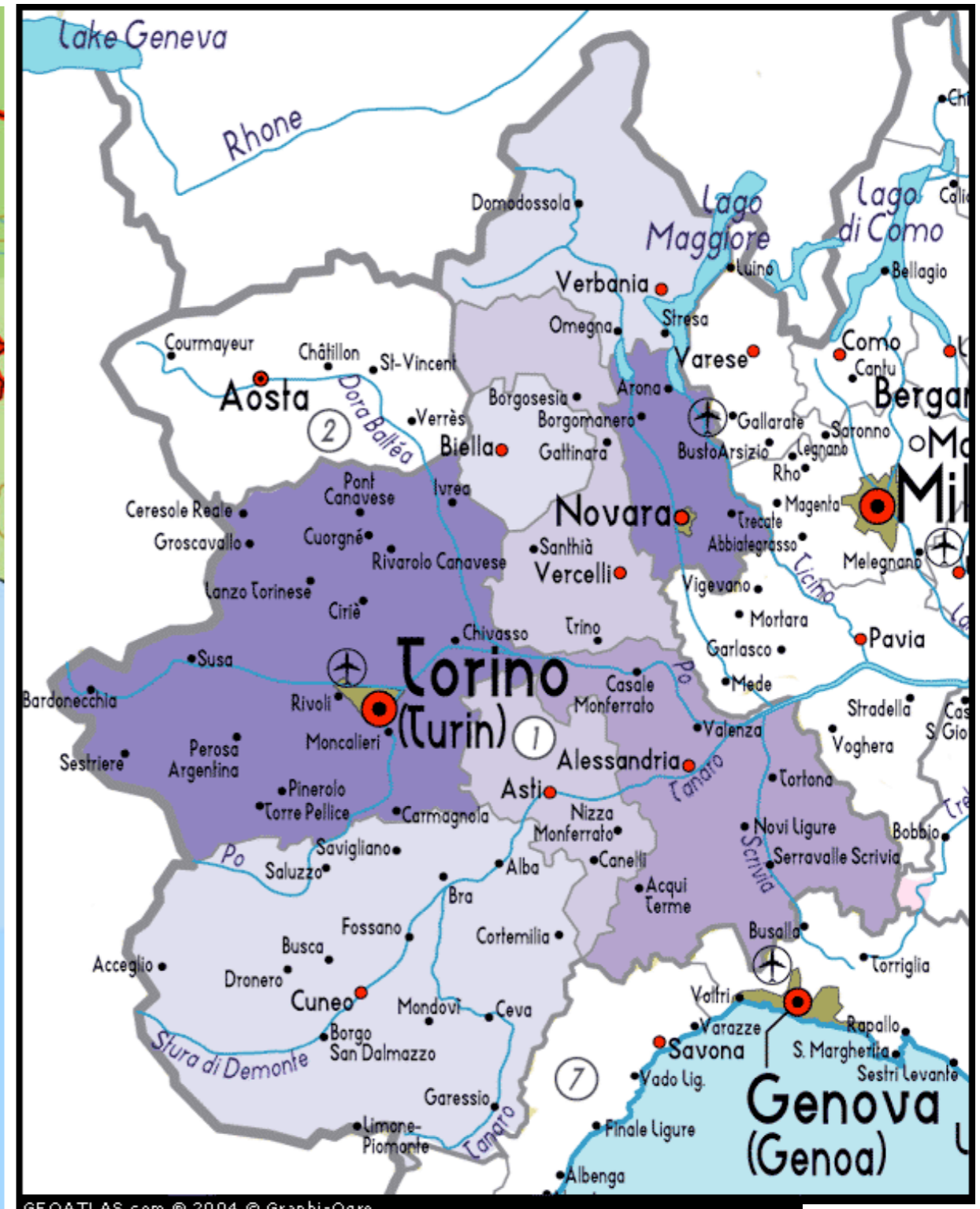
Make available an open innovation environment to foster new business creation by providing infrastructural support to Internet ventures

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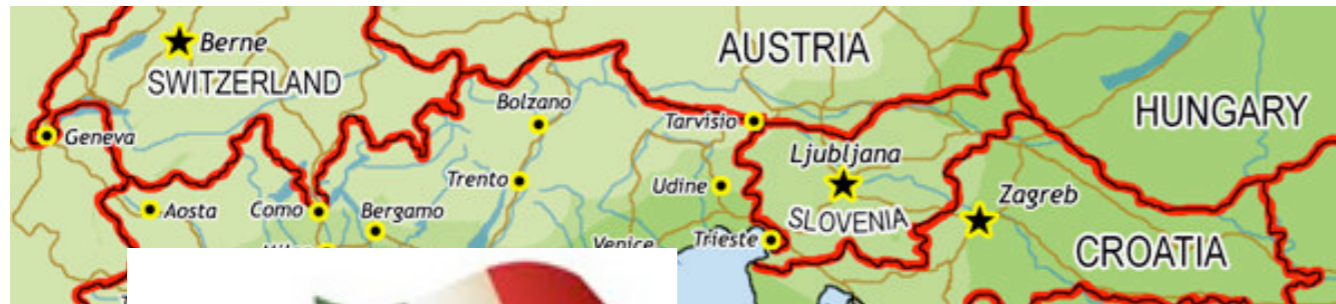
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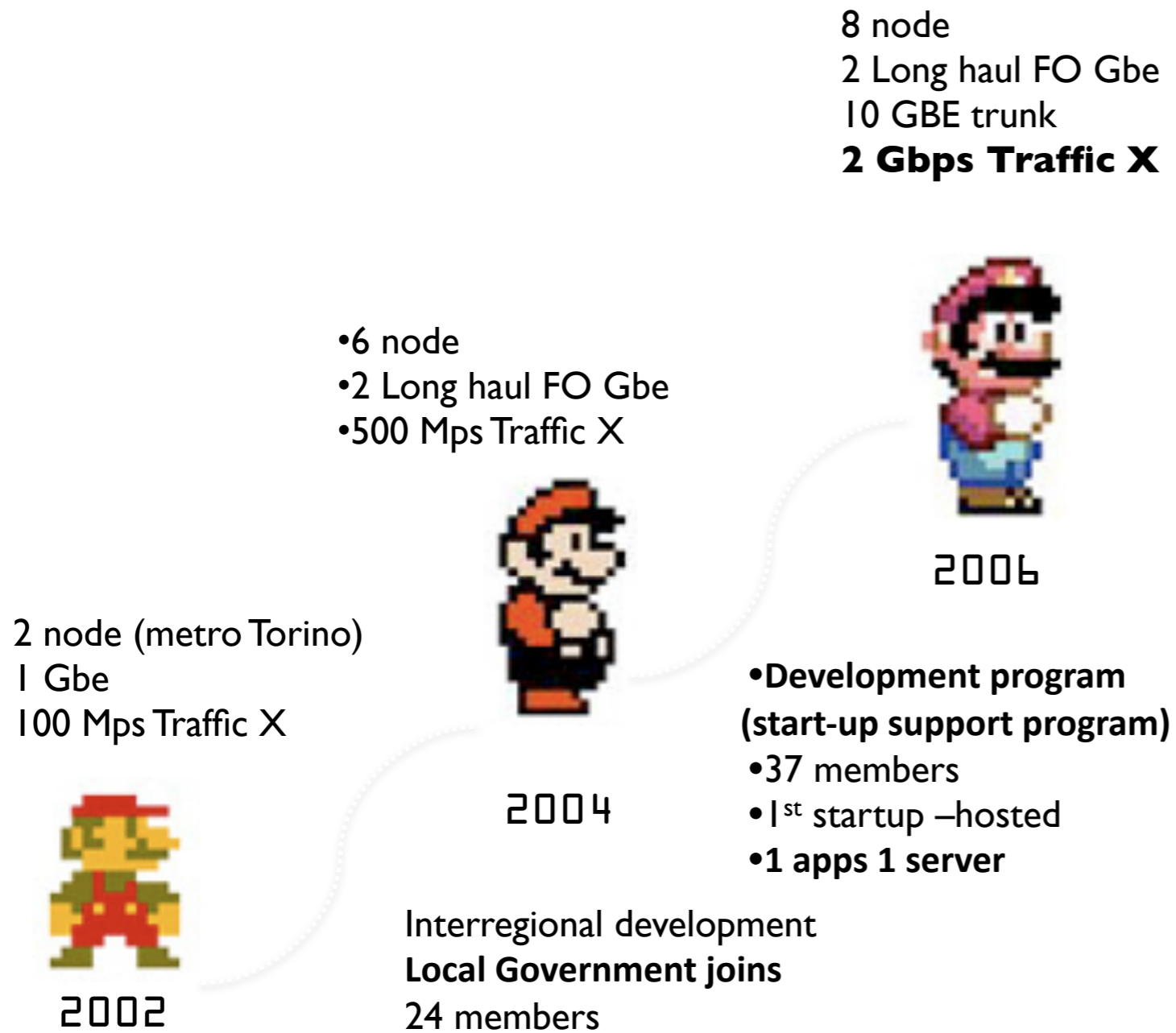


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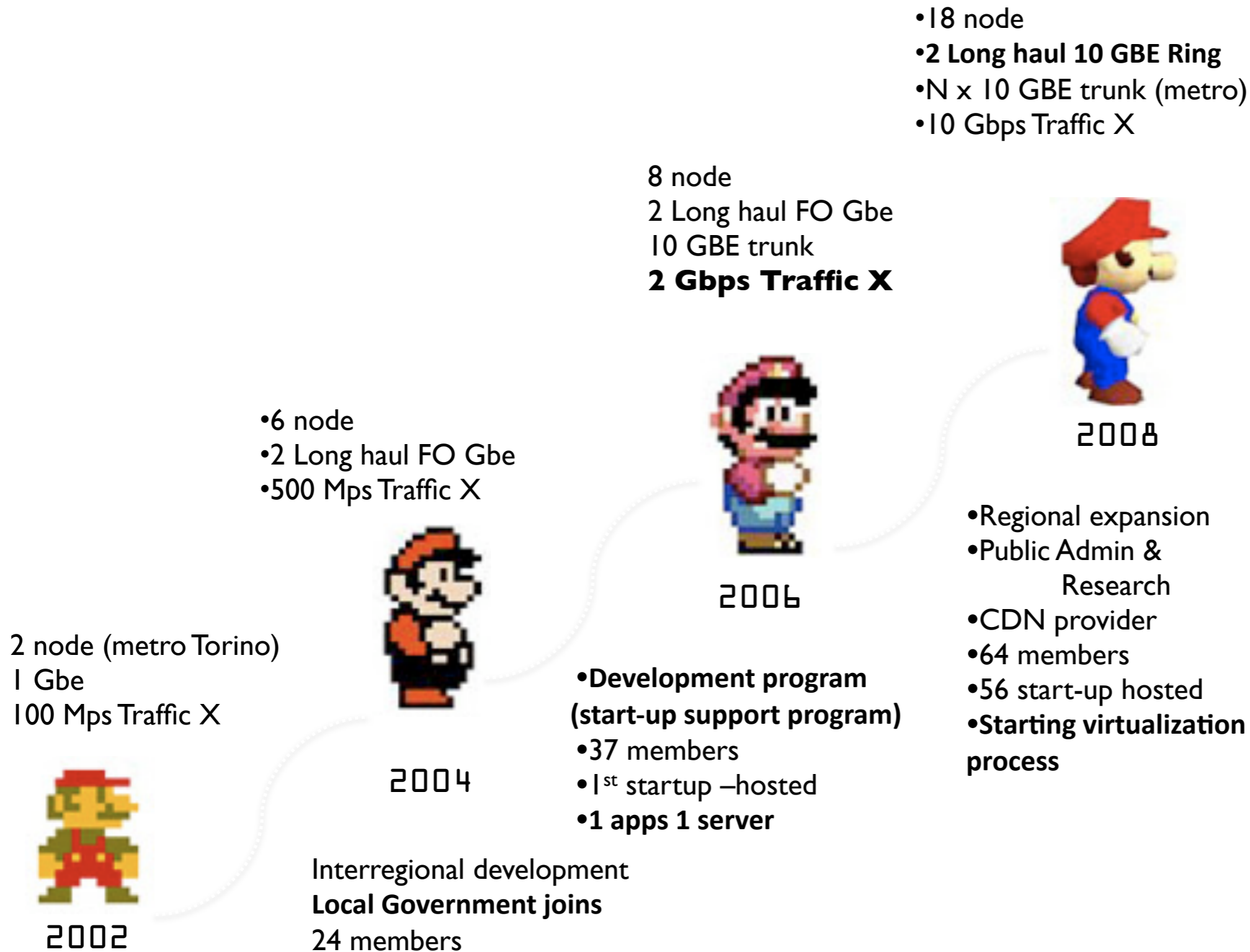
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- Development program (start-up support program)**
- 37 members
- 1st startup –hosted
- 1 apps 1 server



2006

8 node
2 Long haul FO Gbe
10 GBE trunk
2 Gbps Traffic X



2008

- 18 node
- 2 Long haul 10 GBE Ring**
- N x 10 GBE trunk (metro)
- 10 Gbps Traffic X

- Regional expansion
- Public Admin & Research
- CDN provider
- 64 members
- 56 start-up hosted
- Starting virtualization process**

- 19 node
- 3 Long haul 10 GBE Ring
- N x 10 GBE trunk (metro)
- 32 Gbps Traffic X**



2010

- International interconnection (LyonIX - Lyon – France)
- 70+ members
- 120+ star-up hosted
- CLOUD paradigm**

Current Activities

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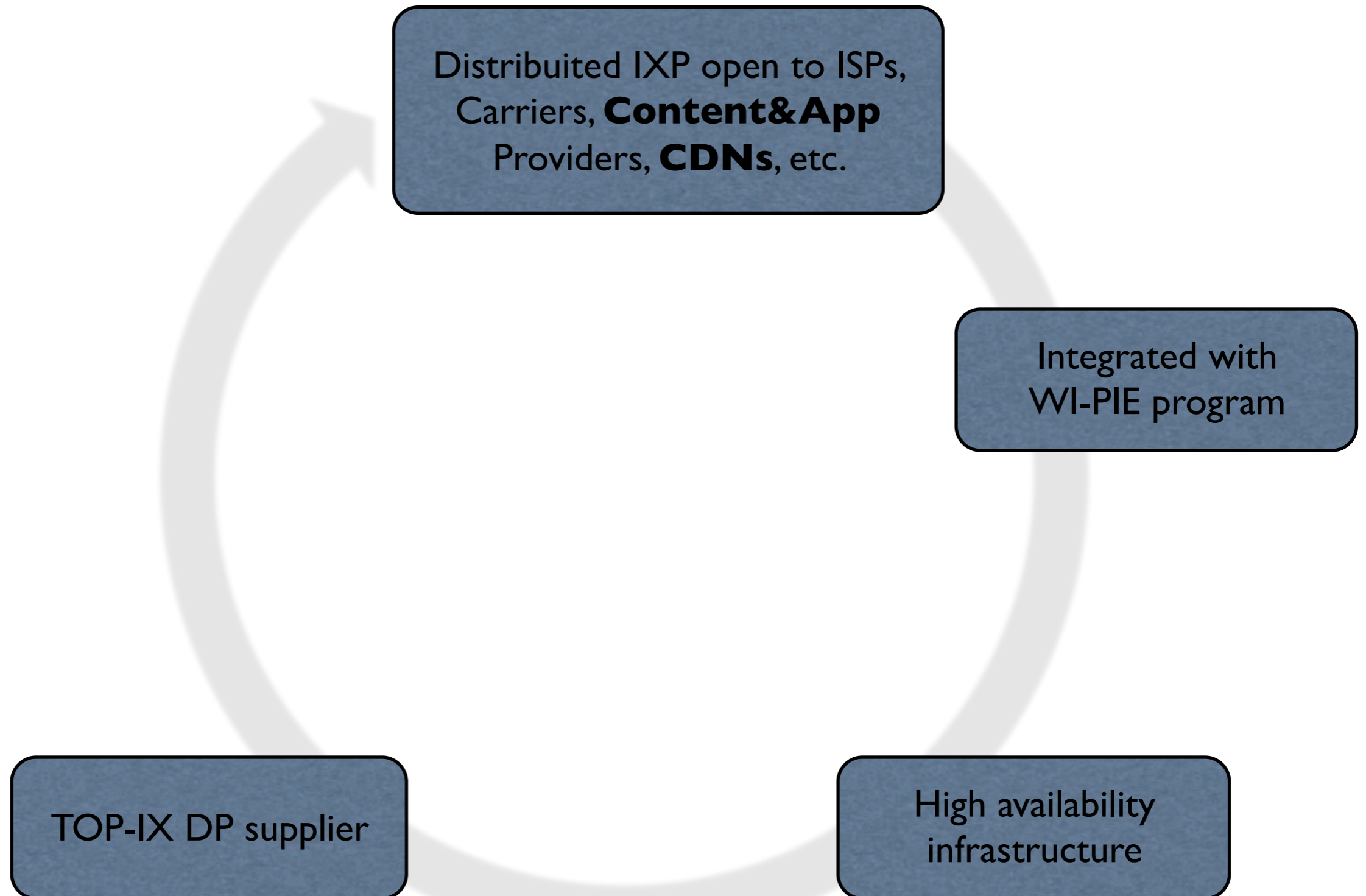
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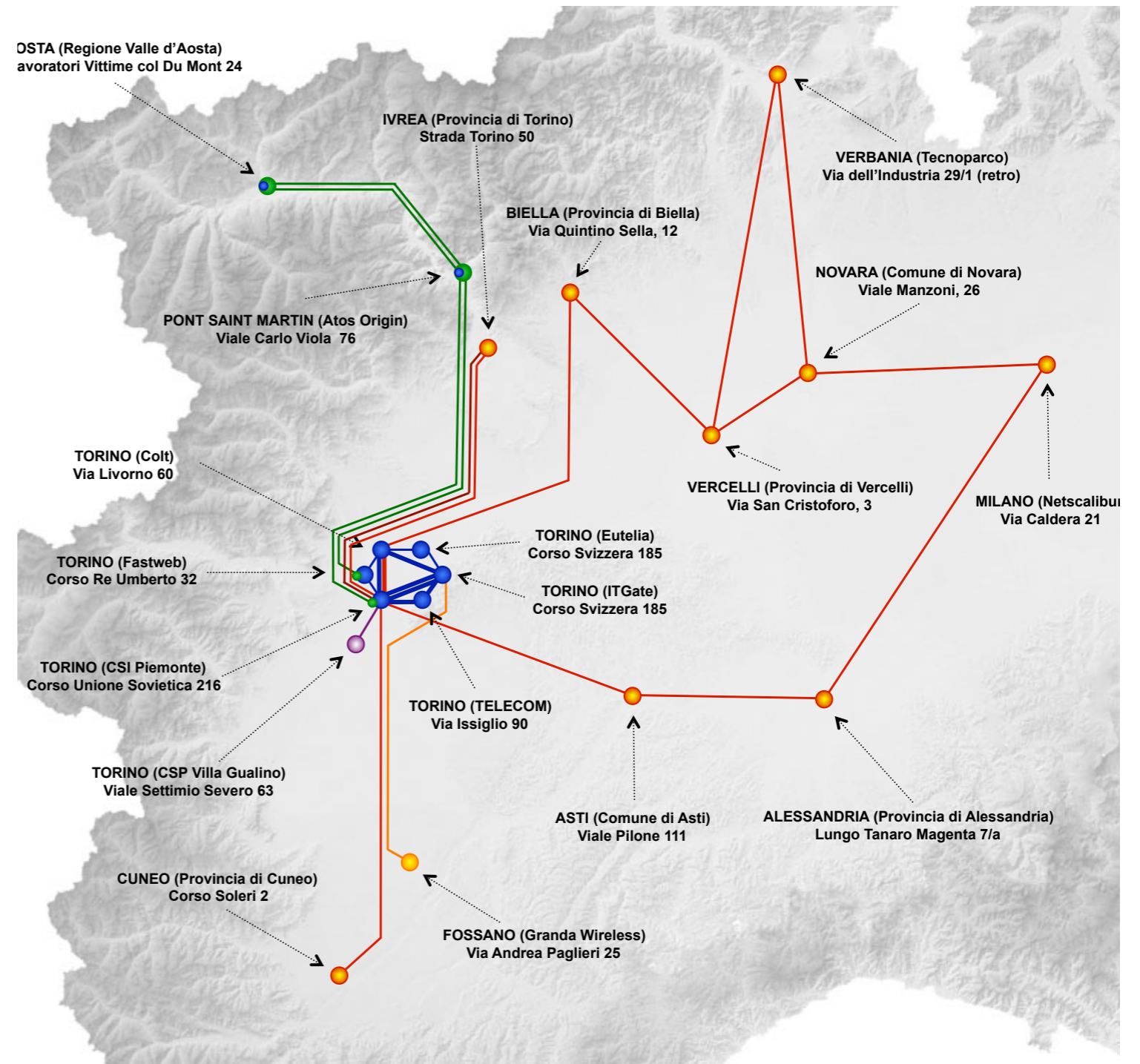
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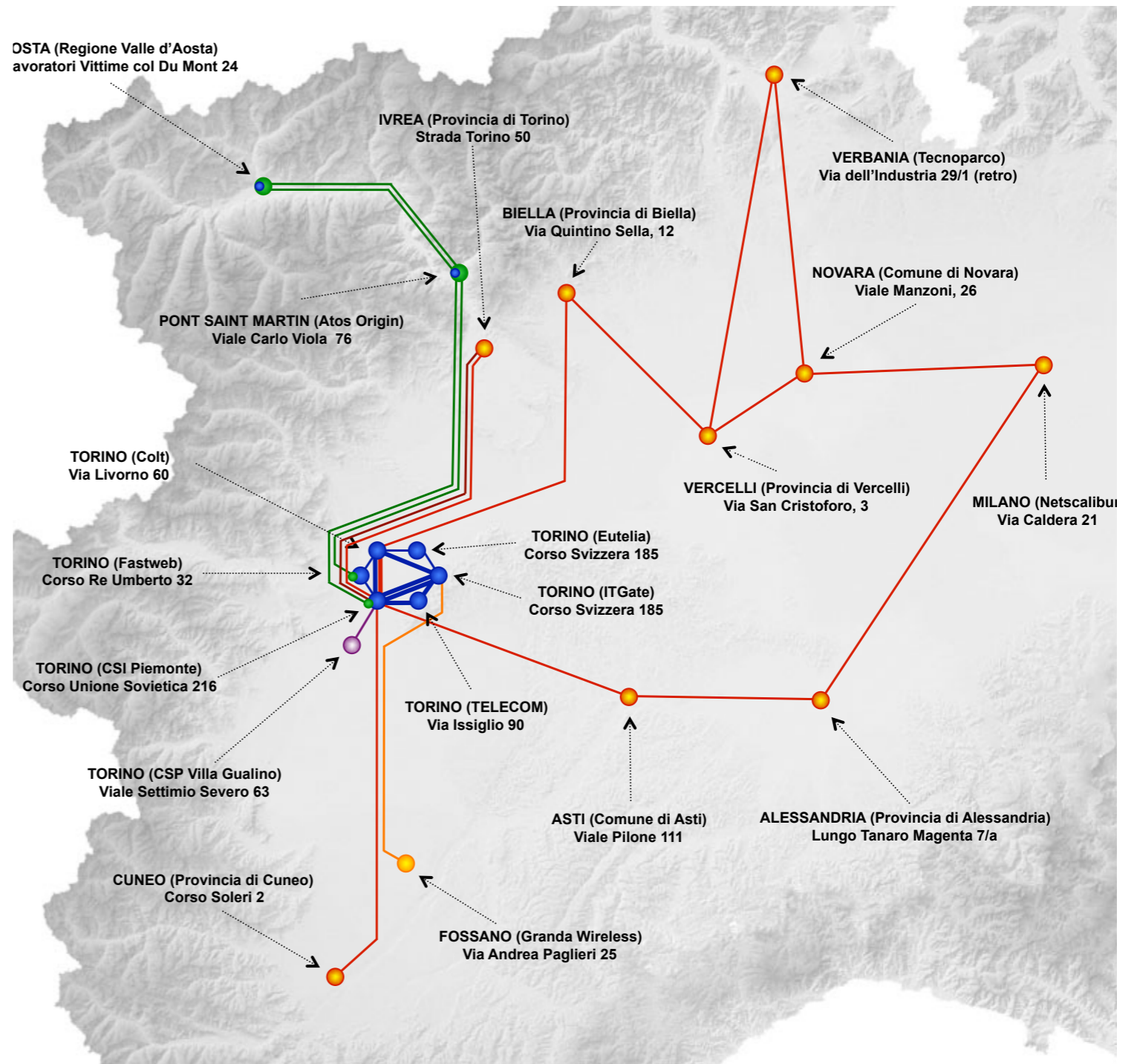
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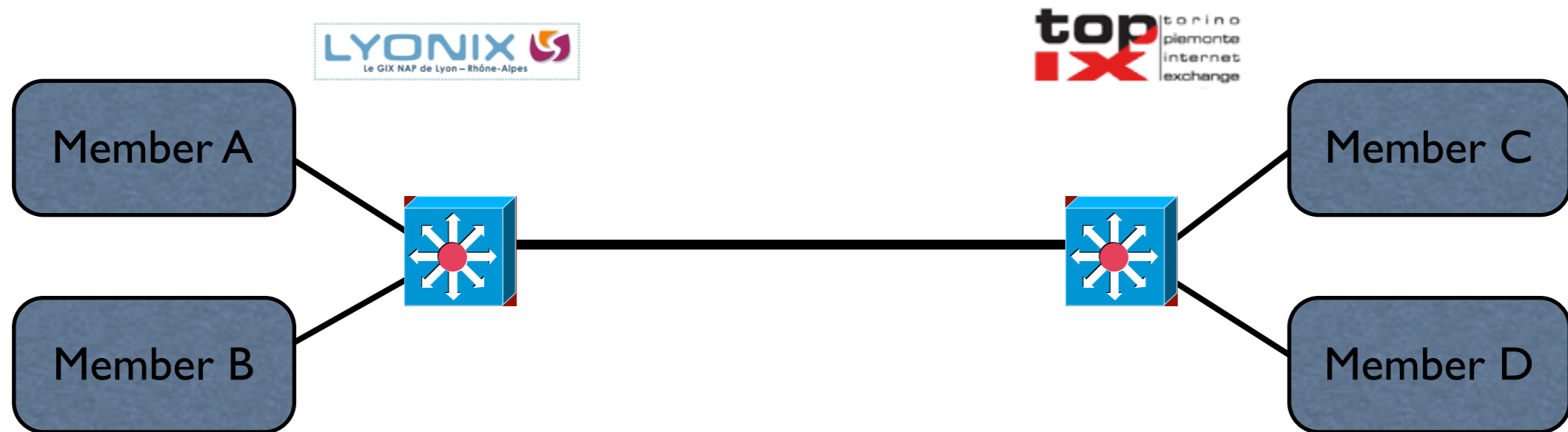


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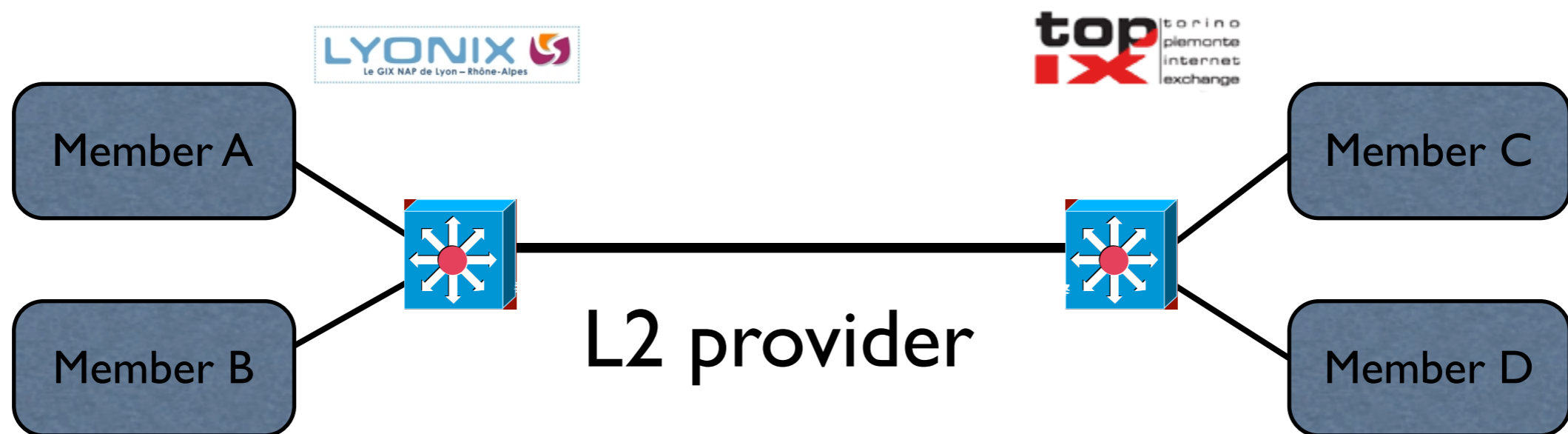
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 - Cisco 6509E
 - Force10 CI50
- Backbone (9)
 - Cisco 4900M
 - Cisco 3750G
- Edge (5)
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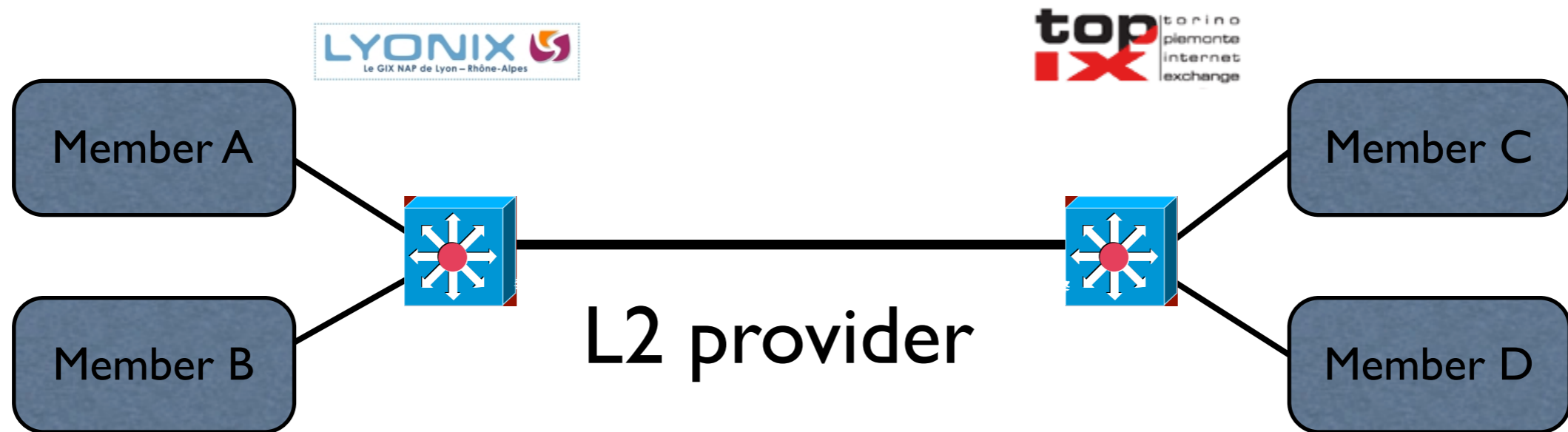
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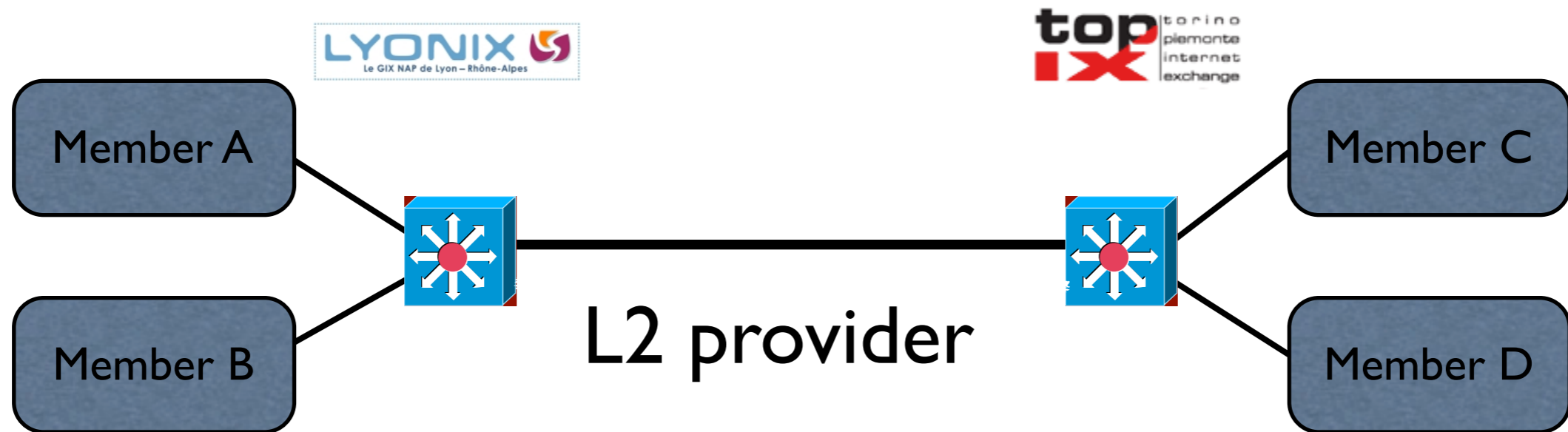


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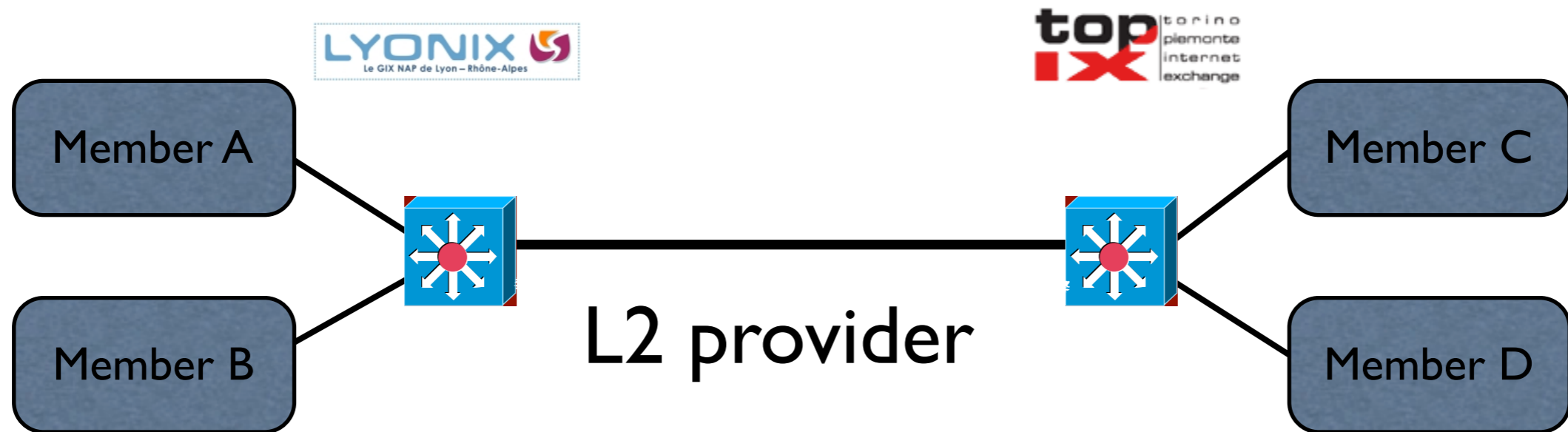
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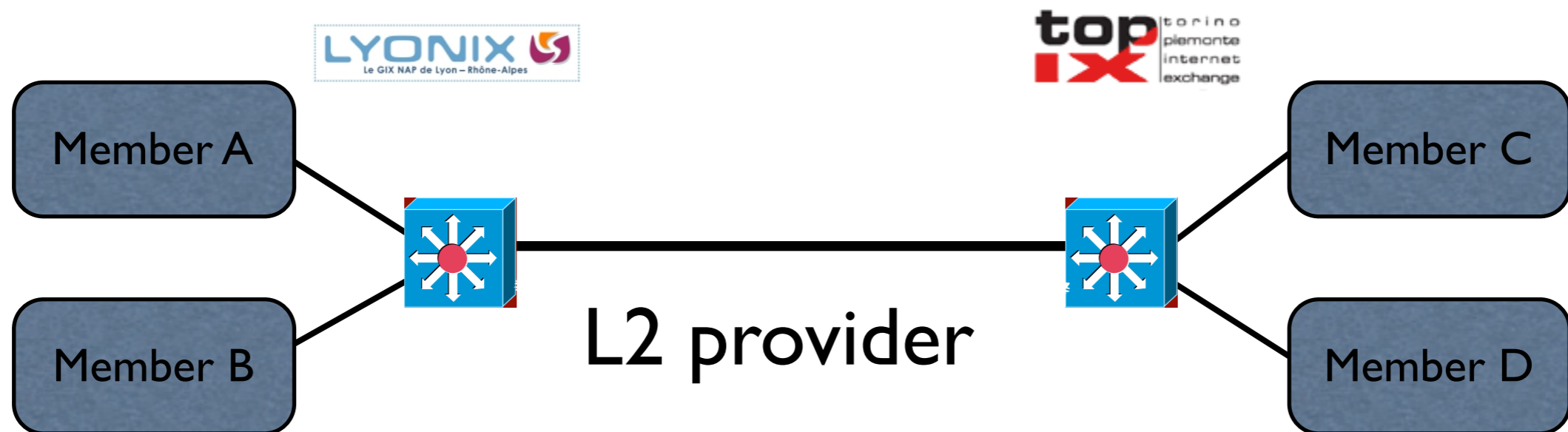
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- **Soon (1q 2011) with Quality Statements**

IX - Key Features

- **Quality Statements** provided & measured
- **Public Peering** and **private VLANs** available
- **Up to 32 Gbps** peak traffic (IPv6 < 1%)
- **60+ ASN** connected
- Multicast and IPv6 enabled (and IPv4)
- **F-Root** and **J-Root** Servers
- Redundant **Route Server QUAGGA (IPv4 and IPv6)**
- Experimenting **connection with VSIX**

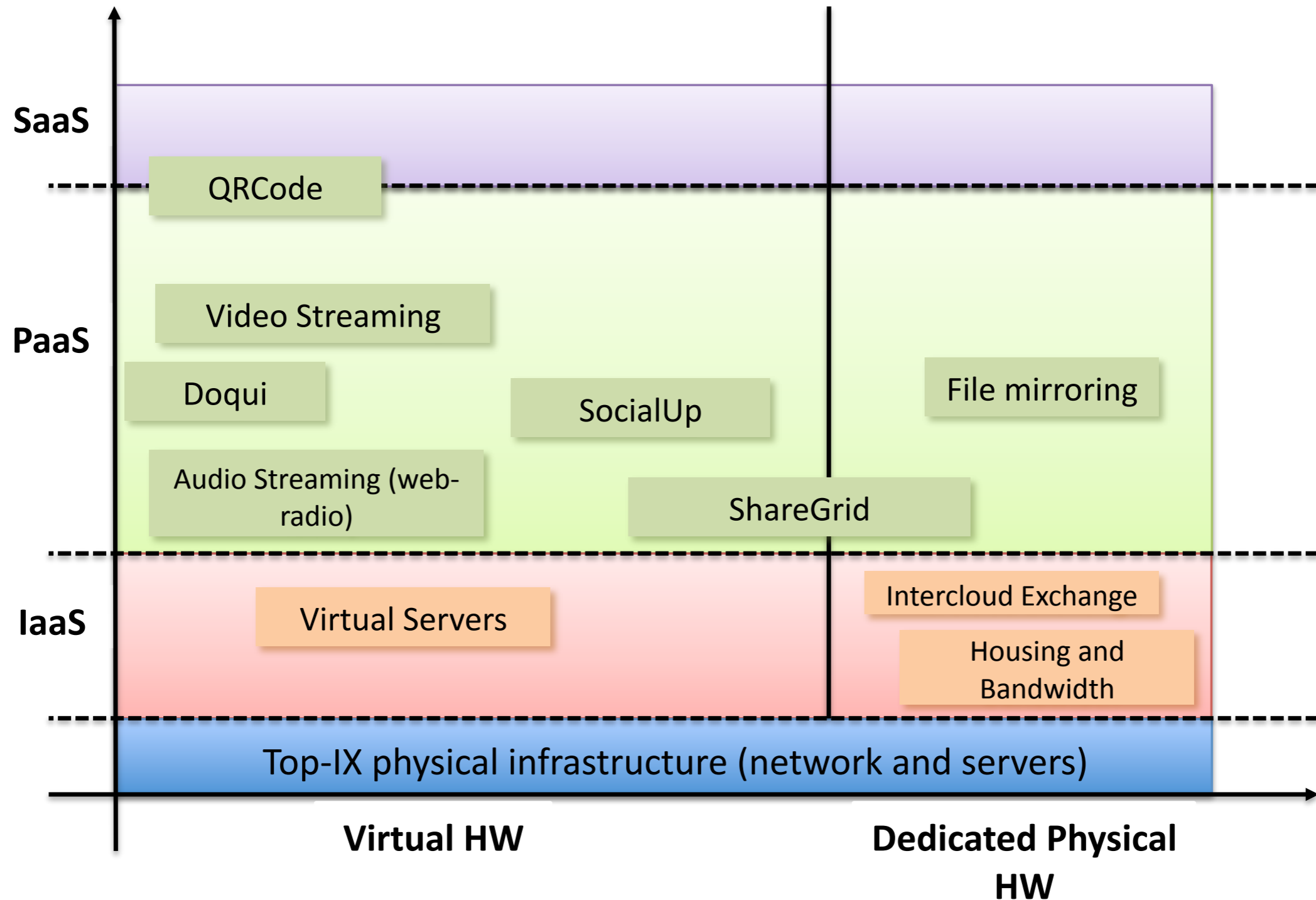
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Supporting innovative projects
(business, academic, no-profit)
with:

- A. “Infinite” bandwidth
- B. Computing power
- C. Dynamic allocation of resources
in a Cloud environment



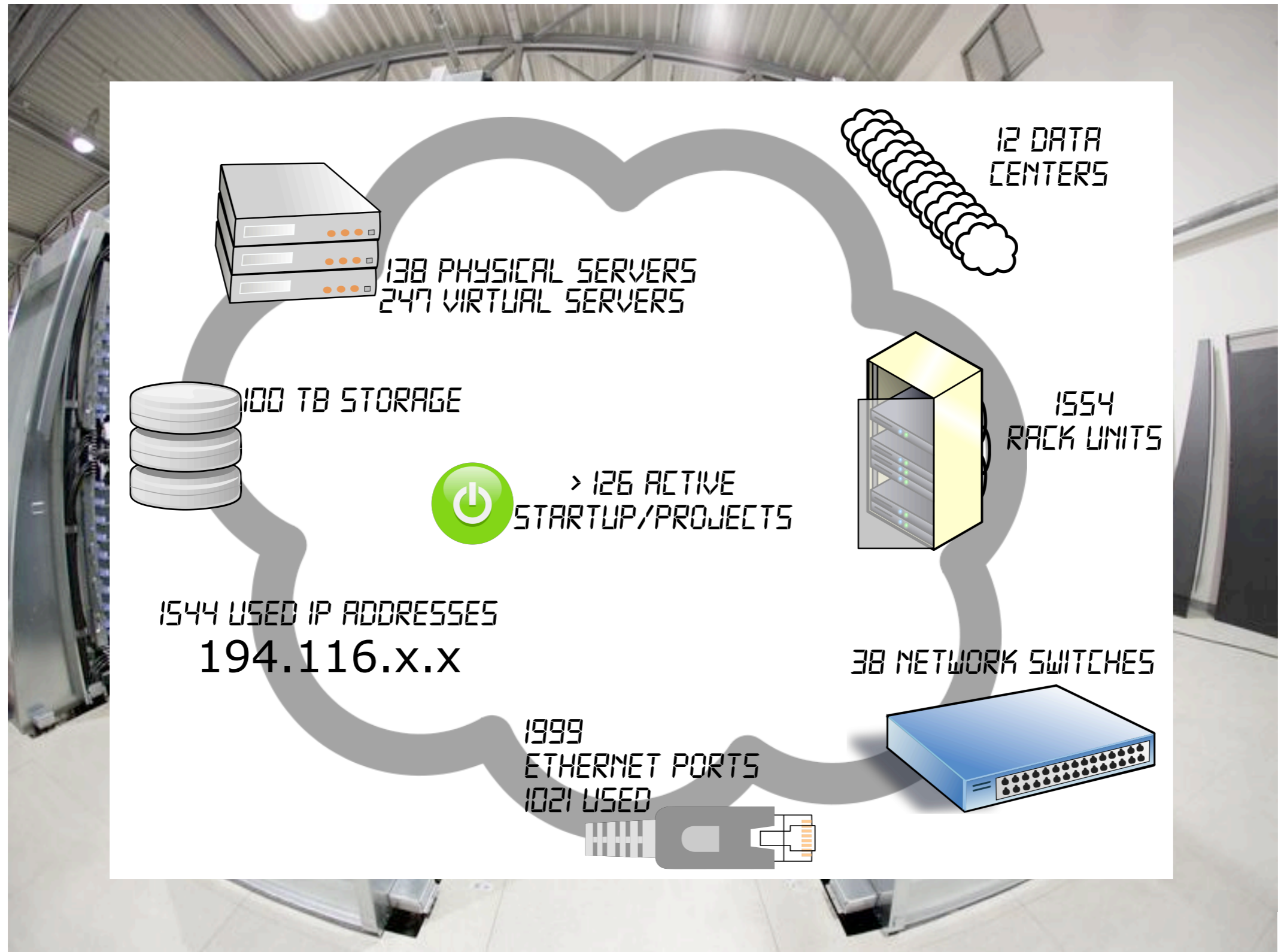
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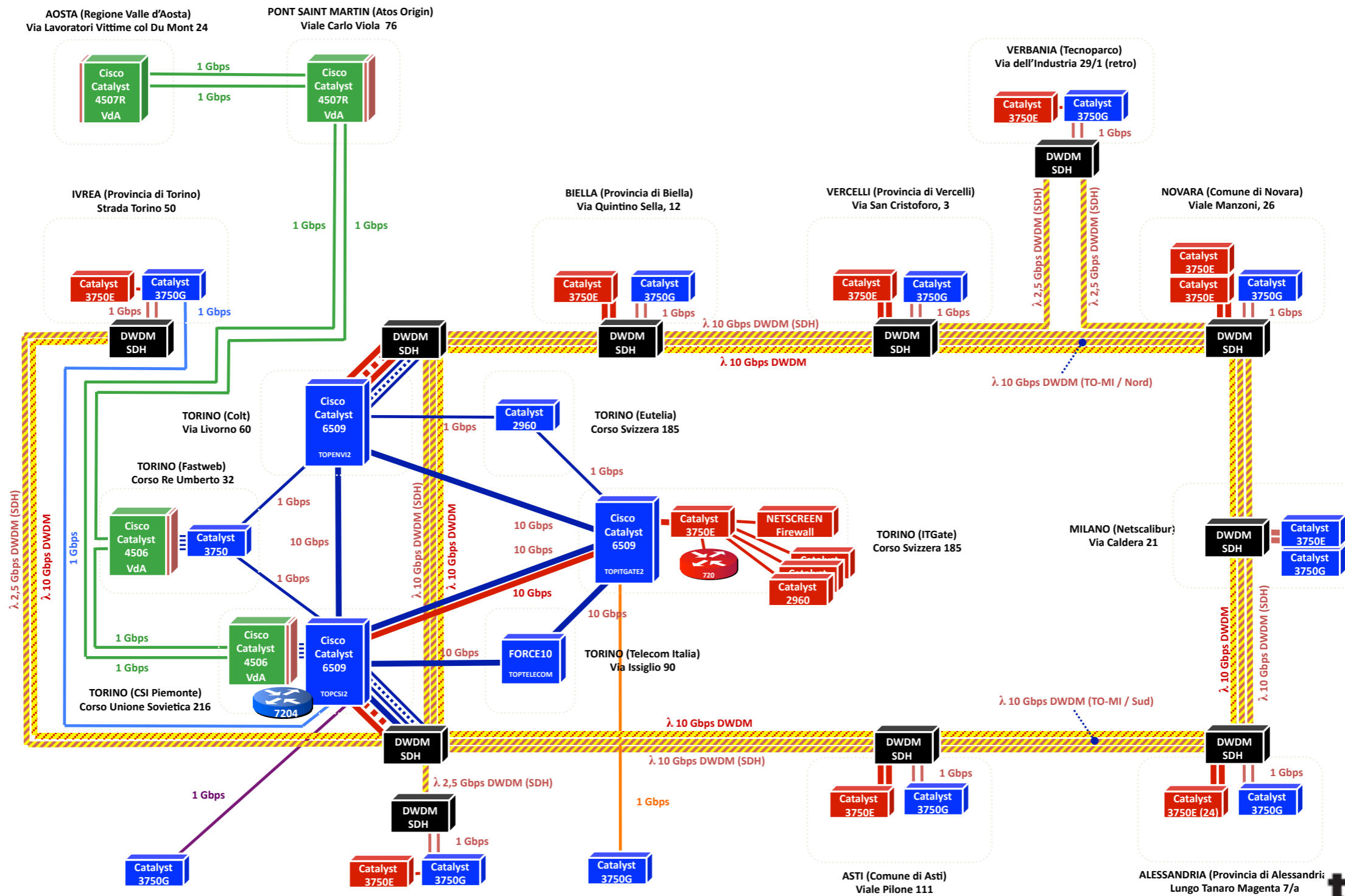
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Technology:

- Linux Ubuntu/Debian + Xen (21 servers)
- VMWare ESXi (3 servers)
- Custom deployment, management and monitoring tool

Network complexity



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CentralServices

Integration with asset management (RackTables)

Integration with statistics (Cacti & MRTG)

Config and fault management for network nodes

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The screenshot displays the 'topix' web interface for 'torino piemonte internet exchange'. The header includes the logo, the text 'CENTRAL SERVICES', and a user profile for 'Andrea Rivetti' with a 'Logout' button and a 'Dettagli Utente' link. A left-hand navigation menu lists various system components. The main content area is titled 'DISPOSITIVI' and features a table with the following data:

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DP Tools

Self-registration and self-service for supported projects

STATUS	NOME PROGETTO	CATEGORIA	FASCIA	NUMERO SERVER	NODO	ACTIVATION DATE	EXPIRATION DATE	ACTION	RES
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Evolution

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Cloud Computing : InterCloud eXchange

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Interoperability
SLA management
Exchange
Trade

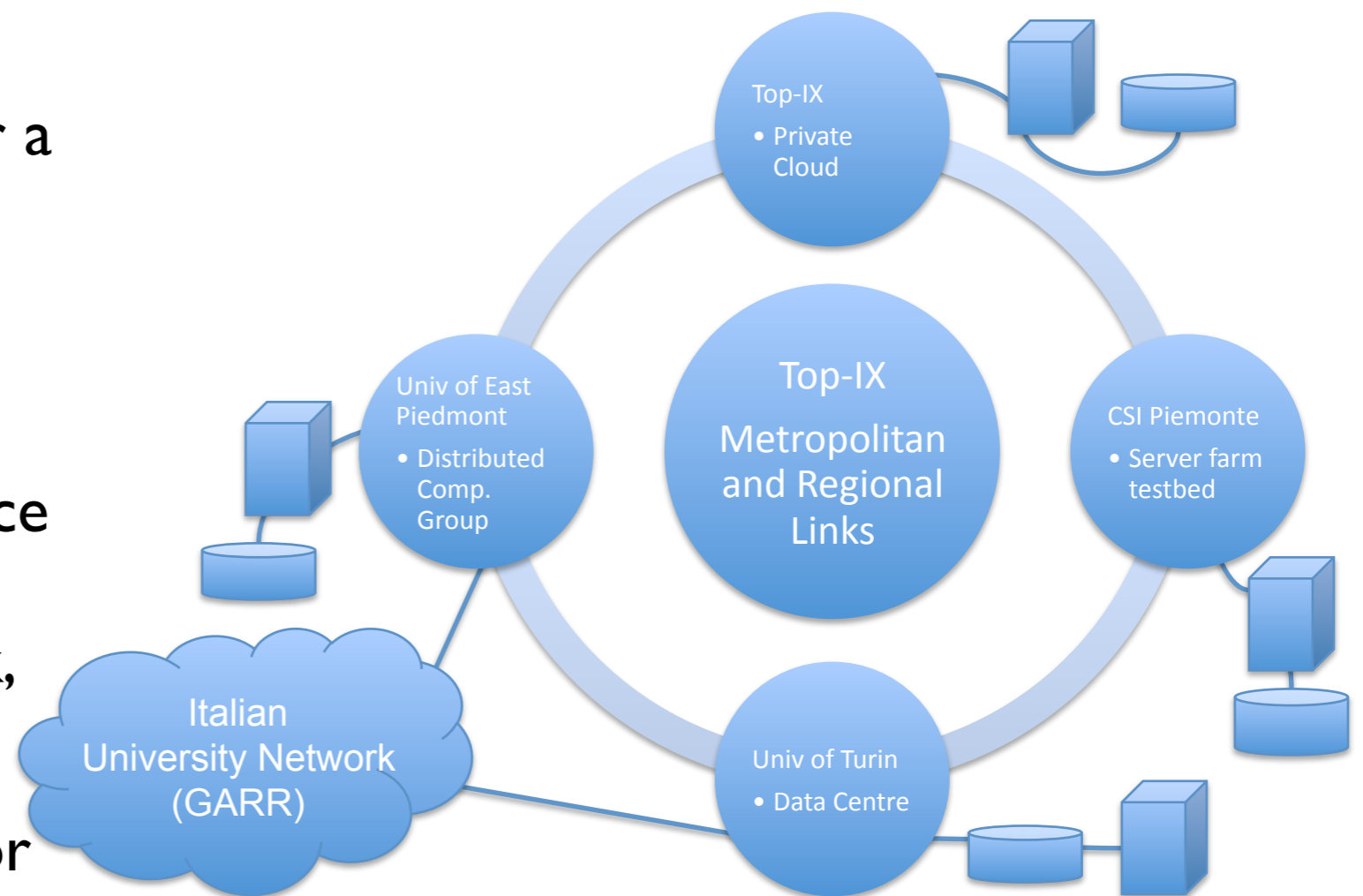
InterCloud
eXchange

ICX future steps

- Brokering of physical resources belonging to different Cloud Providers
- Policy reconciliation among different Cloud Providers
- Transparent addressing between different tiers of the same applications running on different Cloud Providers
- Efficient communication among application tiers running on different Cloud Providers
- Transparent access to storage resources

ICX first steps (I)

- Pooling resources (IaaS peering) across different entities (different AS's) over a trusted hi-capacity infrastructure
- Objectives:
 - Gain hands-on experience with existing cloud middleware (CloudStack, Abiquo, ...)
 - Share unused capacity for common benefit



ICX first steps (2)

The cloud broker approach (IaaS Exchange):

- Minimum feature-set in the interface (create, destroy)
- Spot-market: selling unused capacity with variable “off-peak” or “peak hour” pricing (energy market model)

Top-IX is participating to the SpotCloud beta program as capacity provider.

- Objectives:
- Put idle capacity to use
- Evaluate the best strategy for infrastructure growth (CAPEX)



Q & A

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