

# rare.freertr.net BIER implementation

P4 BMv4, TOFINO & DPDK dataplane

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## RARE project : Group focus

- WP6-T1 sub-task: RARE
  - Control plane software
  - Multiple data planes
  - Interface them and the result is ...
- Fully functional router
  - Running at hardware line rate
  - DIY “hackable/extensible” router
  - Control plane independence

One familiar platform



Multiple solutions



Each solution addresses



R&E

use case

## RARE latest news (M27)

- RARE p4 targets



bmv2 software switch



NPU on WEDGE-BF100-32X, APS-BF2556-T1, others



**under study**

- RARE “p4” emulation targets

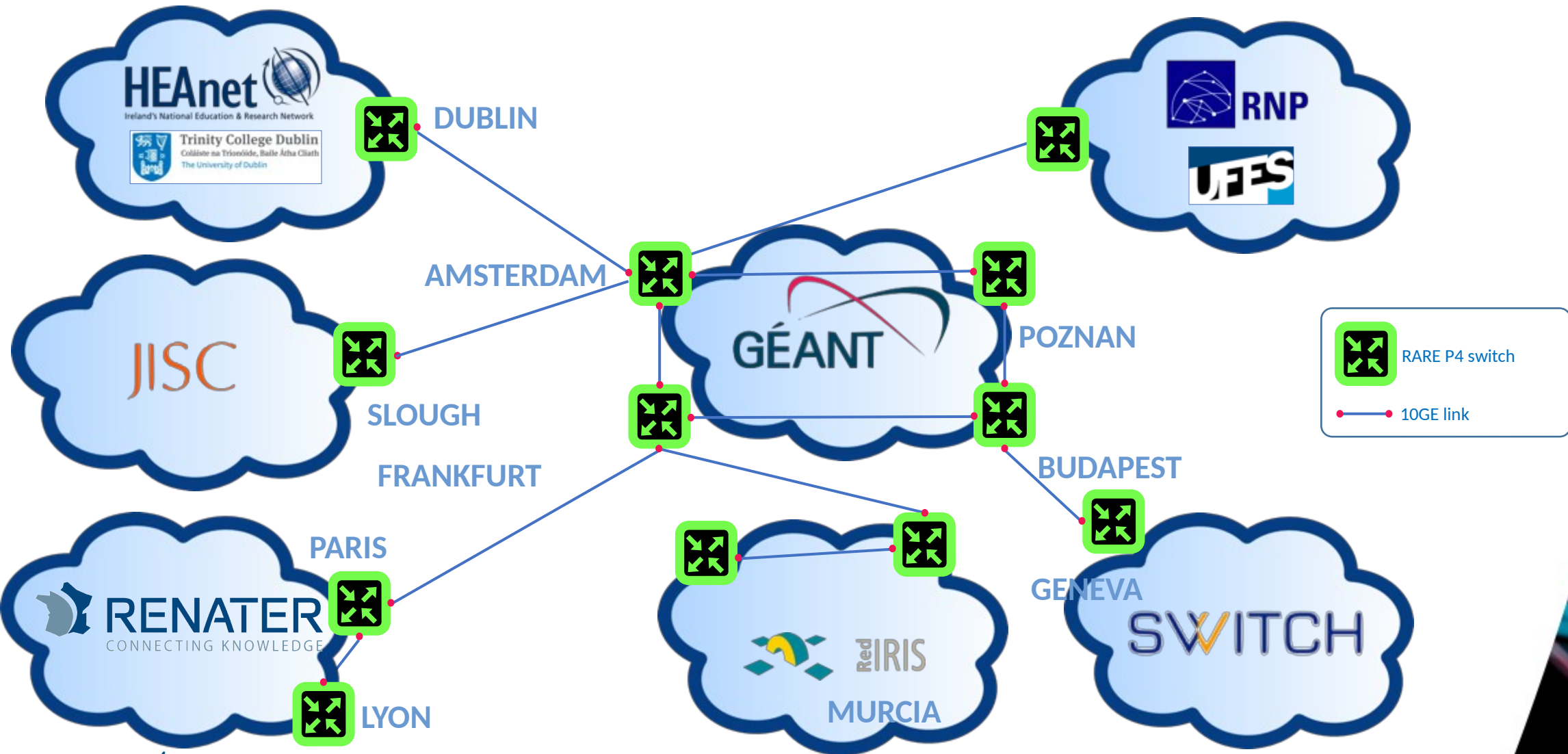


- RARE Network Programmable targets



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# RARE P4 european testbed



## What we have

- BIER in MPLS - RFC8296
  - All the BitString lengths in software
  - 256bit mode in all the dataplanes
- BIER ISIS – RFC8401
- BIER OSPF – RFC8444
- BIER IDR draft
- BIER PIM draft

## Experience

- [wwwin.nop.hu/trackMap.tcl](http://wwwin.nop.hu/trackMap.tcl) - a live net running dpdk dataplane and sometimes a tofino node
- [lg.nop.hu](http://lg.nop.hu) - an isp like setup
- [inf.nop.hu/mtrack.tcl](http://inf.nop.hu/mtrack.tcl) - measured from multiple endpoints talking to each other 0-24
- Regular streaming to loudspeakers with vlc
- All over BIER, initially in sw, nowadays in the dataplane
- ECMP pitfall with BIER



## Key take-way – We are ready to roll into production

- Automated testing: [www.freertr.net/tests.html](http://www.freertr.net/tests.html)
- 3rd party testing via Spirent usage
  - (thanks PSNC@WB team)
- P4 profile calibration
- DPDK is in operation
- Candidate deployment for production

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# Thank you

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