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# ABB Communication Networks Latest News FOX615 / References with TROPOS Mesh

# Why ABB for Utility Communication solutions

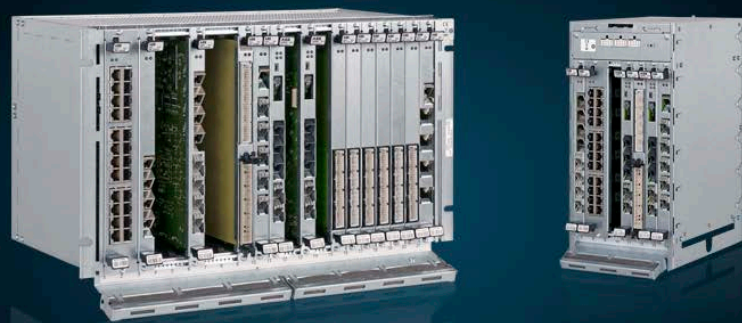
## Benefit from integrated know how



# Focus standards for the Utility market

## Active participation in defining future solutions

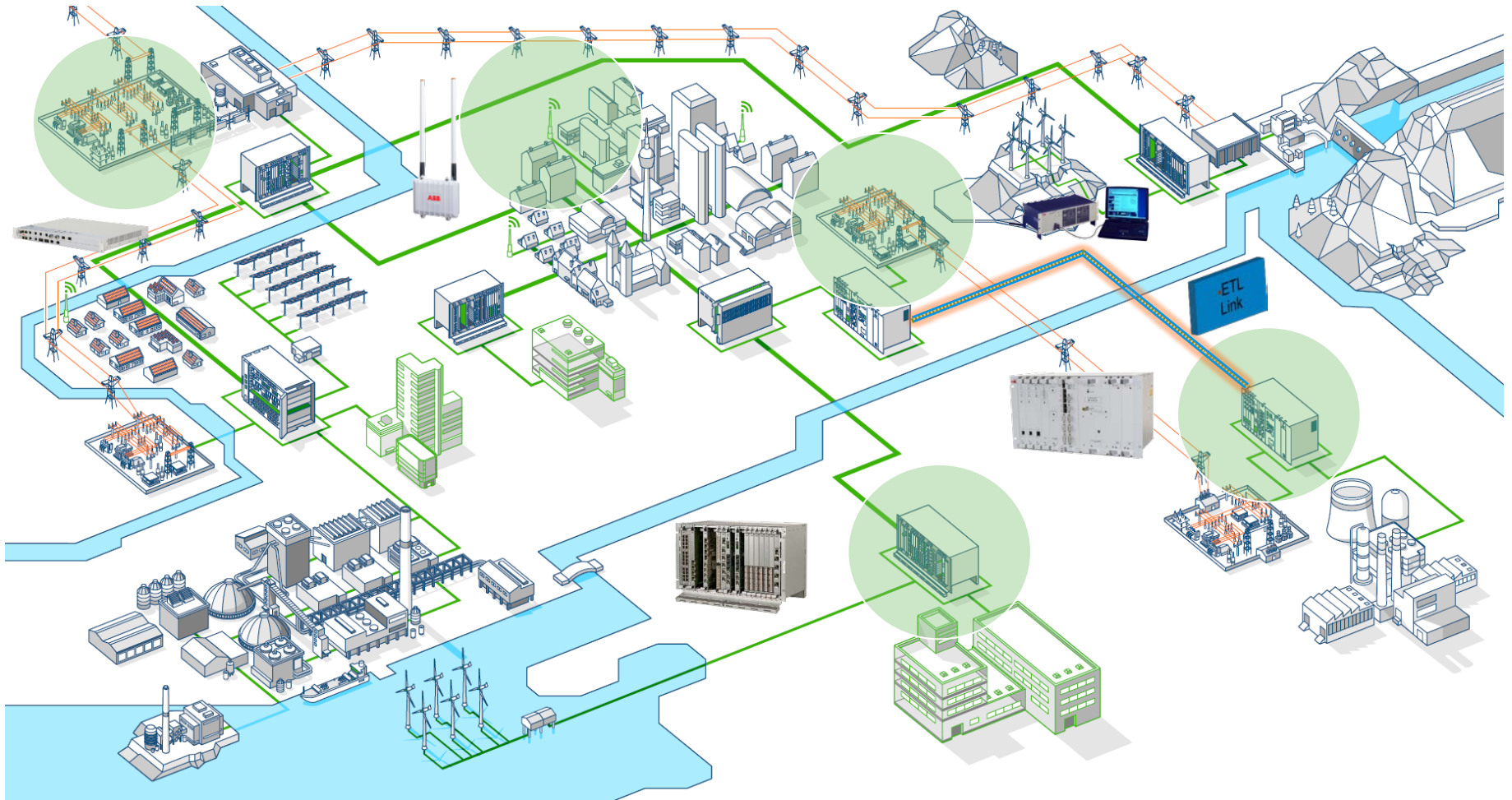




# Utility Communication An integrated network

# Utility Communication

## An highly Integrated Network



# FOX Family

## MPLS-TP on the Road-Map



### FOX515H

Transport Multiplexer providing up to SDH STM-64 interfaces



### FOX660

Hybrid optical transport multiplexer providing SDH interfaces up to STM-16 & 10GbE inclusive MPLS-TP in one device



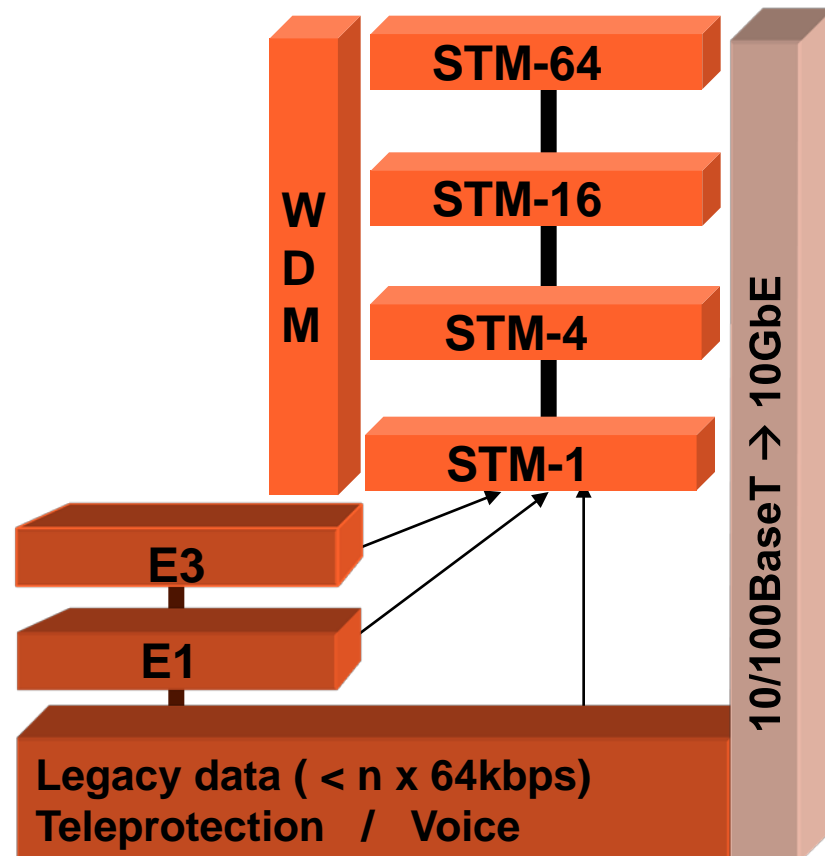
### FOX515 / 615

Combined access and transport multiplexer providing up to SDH STM-16 & 10GbE capacity and many legacy data access interfaces



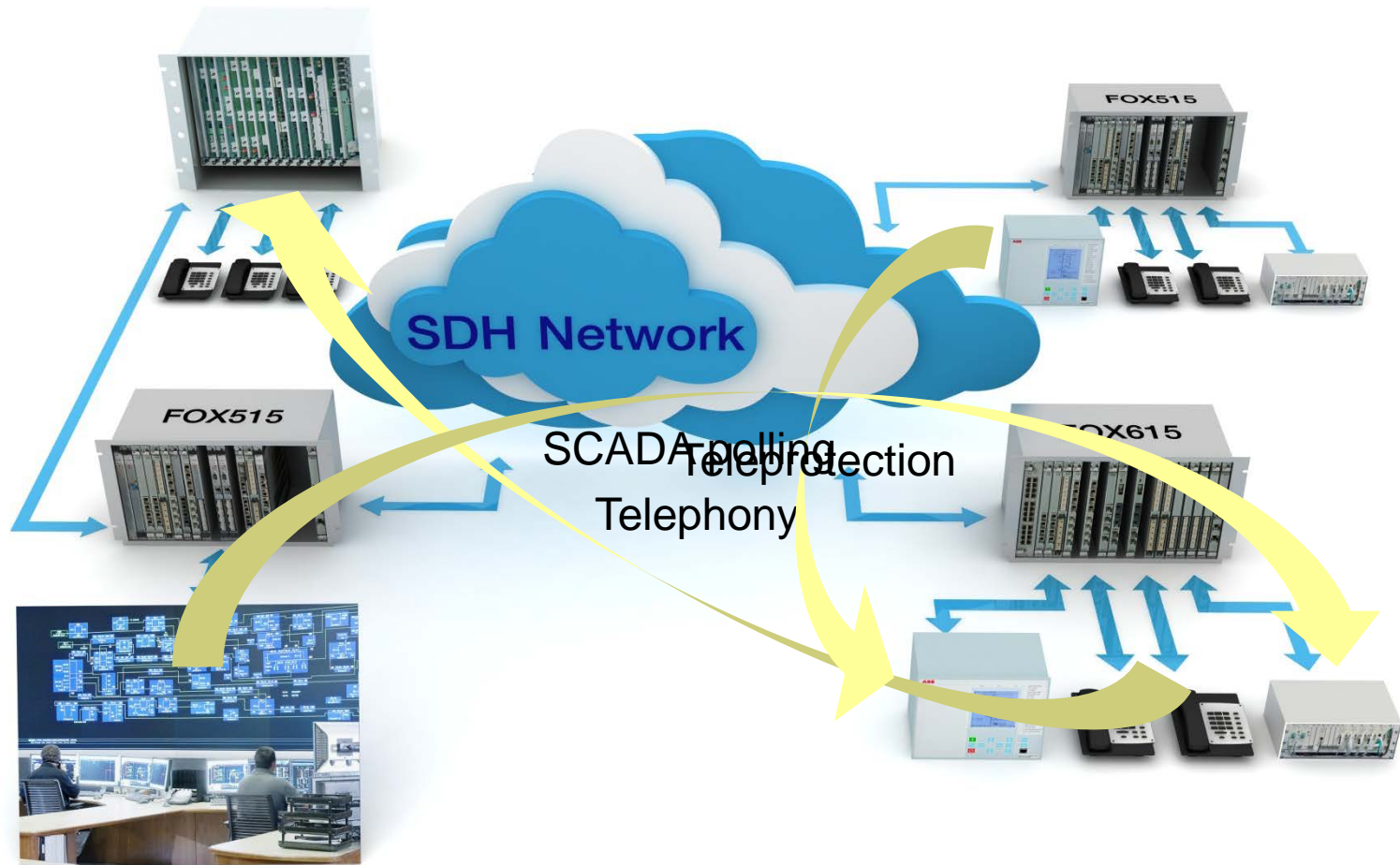
### FOX505

Access multiplexer providing legacy data access interfaces and traffic capacity up to STM-1



# Interoperability with existing FOX515 networks

## FOX515/ FOX615 full interoperability



# Power utilities applications

## Utilities mission in the focus



- Power utility need to reliably transmit and distribute electrical energy
- Various applications help the utility to ensure the reliable energy transmission and distribution
- Some of them are mission critical
  - Requiring real time communication
  - Requiring predictable and constant communication channels
- **The Utility Communication-Network helps to achieve reliable energy transmission and distribution and accordingly it needs to fulfil the requirements defined by the applications without compromise**



# Power utilities applications

## Teleprotection



Teleprotection functionality – safeguarding the electrical grid (distance and differential protection is a must!)

- In case of malfunction the potential implications are tremendous
  - Blackouts
  - Destroyed primary equipment such as transformers or switchgears
- Requirements on communication performance are very high
  - Hard real-time communication
  - Very deterministic data channels
  - Very high network availability
  - Very high dependability and security

# Application requirements

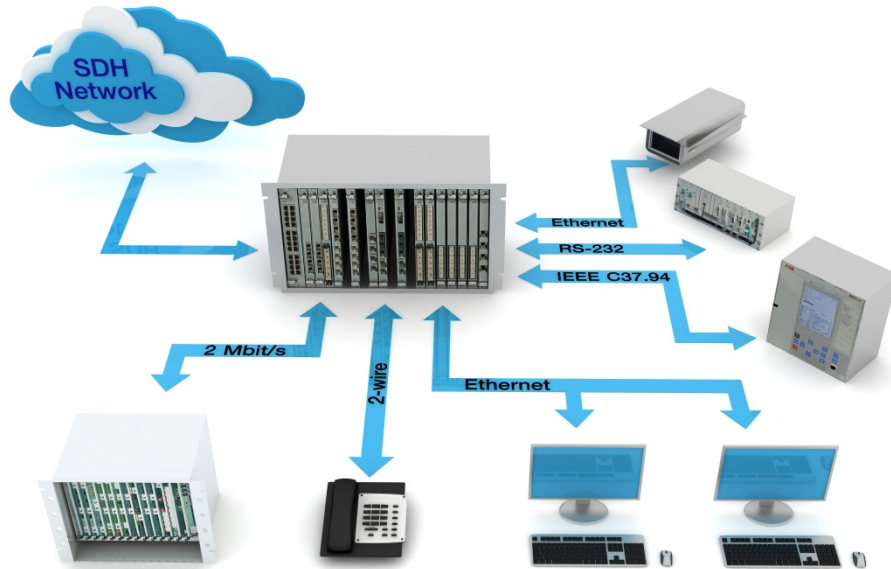
## Overview about various applications

Service	Data rate	Acceptable latency [ms]
Voice	2.4 – 100 kbit/s per channel	< 100
Telecontrol		
SCADA	0.05 – 64 kbit/s	< 1000
ICCP	2 Mbit/s – 100 Mbit/s	< 1000
<b>Distance Protection</b>		
Blocking	< 64 kbit/s	< 4 - 8
Permissive	< 64 kbit/s	< 5 - 10
Intertrip	< 64 kbit/s	< 8 - 16
<b>Line Differential Protection<sup>1)</sup></b>		
EHV (Extreme High Voltage)	64 kbit/s – 2 Mbit/s	< 5
HV (High Voltage)	64 kbit/s – 2 Mbit/s	< 10
MV (Medium Voltage)	64 kbit/s – 2 Mbit/s	< 40
Video Surveillance	256 kbit/s – 10 Mbit/s	< 1000
Other operational data	64 kbit/s – 100 Mbit/s	< 1000

1) Line Differential Protection is very sensitive to Jitter/ Wander and asymmetrical delay (movie)

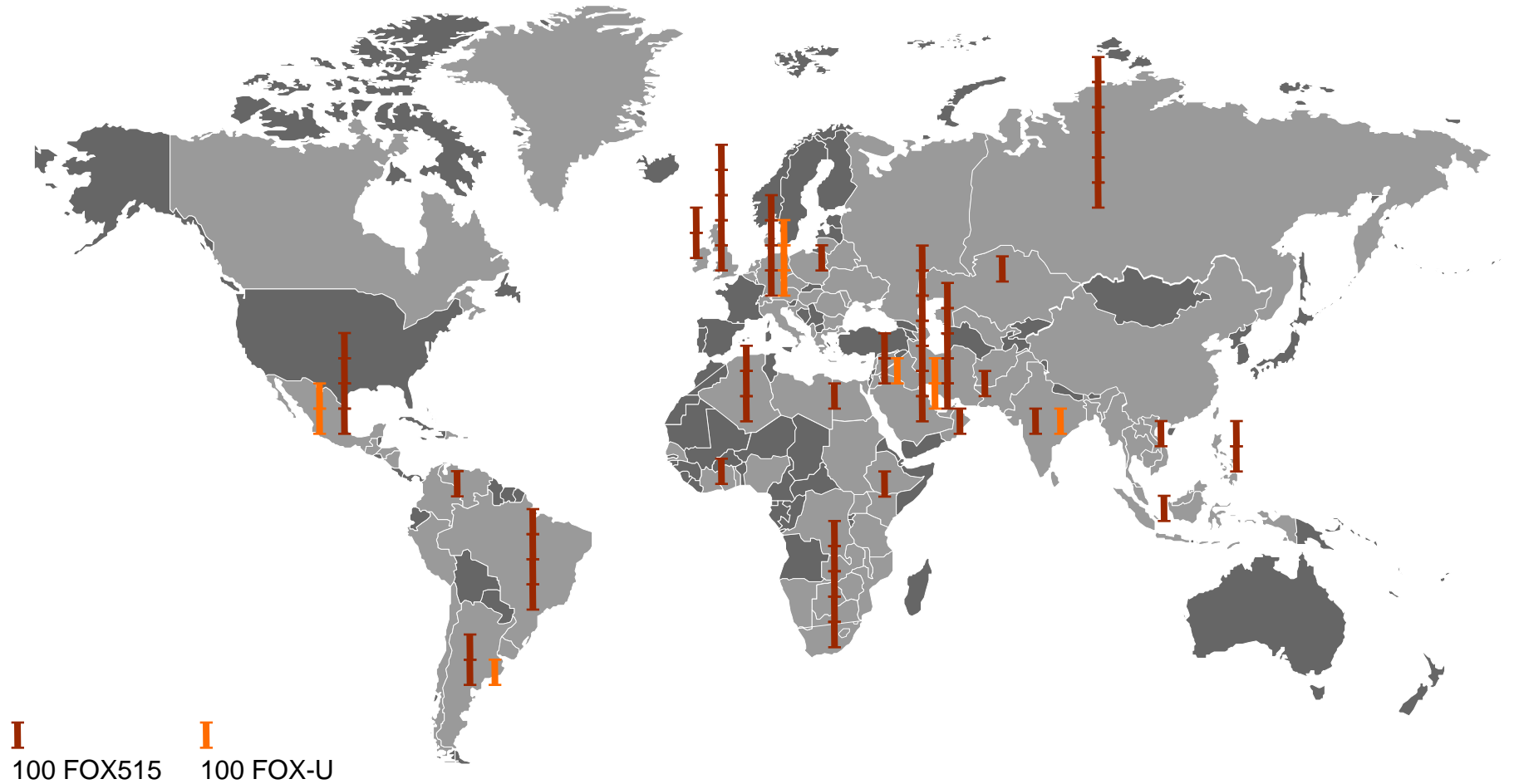
# Operational excellence

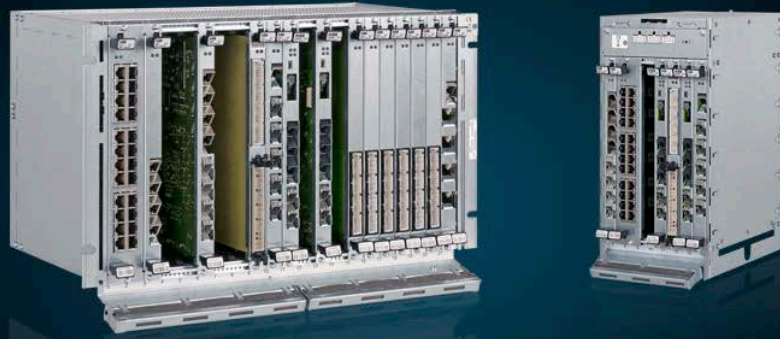
## The need for multiservice networks



- Requirement for huge variety of different interfaces
- Requirement for utility specific interfaces such as Teleprotection
- Requirement for real time data channels for mission critical applications
- Requirement for channel supervision for mission critical services (e.g. Teleprotection)
- Requirement for support of various protocols and topologies
- Requirement for highest communication channel availability

# References FOX networks world wide





# Technology trends FOX615

# Technology trends

## Packet switched backbone networks



- Presently the public telecom sector is strongly going for IP/MPLS solutions
  - Driven by high data volume traffic in their networks (smartphones, tablets, etc.)
  - Good and cost effective solution for low to medium performance demanding applications such as data or voice
  - Bandwidth optimization (overbooking) is key for increased revenues
- Utility's operational networks require to transmit real time data
  - Control and availability of utilities assets is core business and depends on communication network reliability and performance
  - Selected utility applications (e.g. differential protection) require high performance data channels
    - Very low and deterministic delay times
    - Symmetrical delay times for send and receive directions
    - Highest availability figures of the communication channels

# Technology trends

## Why not IP/MPLS for utilities?



- IP/MPLS is a technology designed for public telecom applications
  - Problems with applications requiring deterministic communication
  - Problems with symmetry requirements of utilities applications
  - Problems with predefined (fixed) channel routing
  - Lack of channel supervision and fast protection schemes
  - Very complex in terms of configuration & maintenance (based on experience of pilot installations and first projects)
- Cost advantage for power utility presently seen in IP/MPLS solutions/equipment's might not be materialized due to:
  - Significantly increased complexity and effort on configuration and maintenance side (high OPEX)
  - Requirement for highly specialized (expensive) staff for operation and maintenance of the communication network
- **IP/MPLS might not be the best technology for a utility**

# Technology trends

## ABB's outlook with FOX615



- ABB is carefully investigating in possible solutions for future packet switched backbone networks considering:
  - The application and availability requirements of utilities
  - The configuration effort required for such solutions
  - The supervision and management possibilities
  - The right point of time for PDH/ SDH - packet switched technology migration
- ABB product family however already supports sophisticated packet switched functionality
- ABB continues introducing solutions designed for utility applications via packet switched networks
  - FOX615 e.g. is fully prepared for future migration from SDH to packet switched networks
  - ABB sees MPLS-TP as the most promising technology for future utilities operational networks



# Technology trends

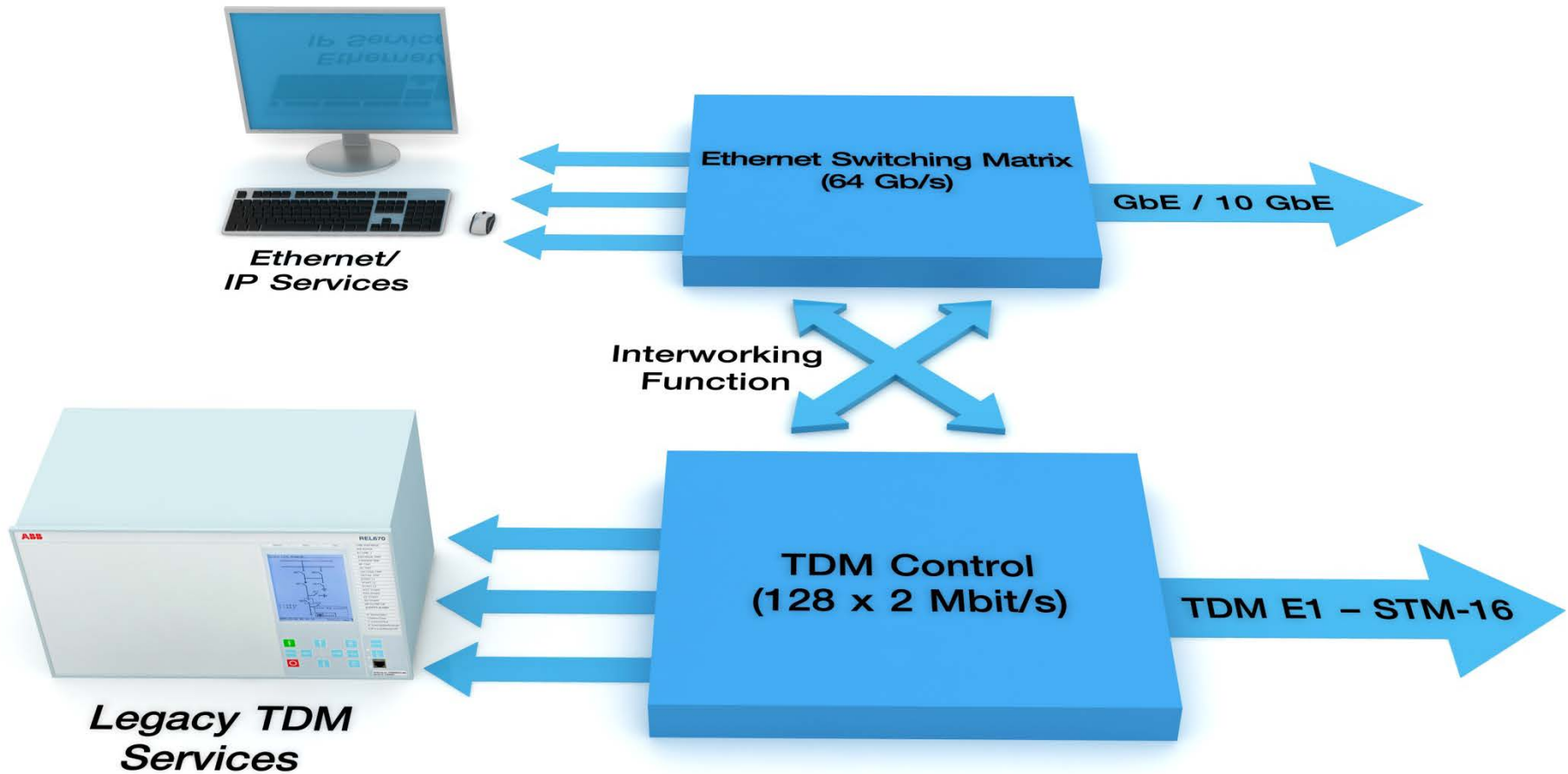
## SDH & Ethernet are complementary



- Understand SDH & Ethernet as complementary technologies
  - SDH provides QoS for real-time applications
  - Ethernet access interfaces allow efficient integration of data applications
  - Next Generation SDH (GFP, VCAT, LCAS) enables standardized transport of Ethernet applications in SDH WAN networks
  - Enhanced Ethernet functionality makes the equipment future prove
    - Strong Ethernet switching matrix must be available
    - High performance access interfaces must be available
    - Future migration Packet Switched Technologies with traffic engineering and QoS must be possible

# Future communication networks for power utilities

## Optimized approach – hybrid solution



# ABB FOX515/ FOX615 solutions

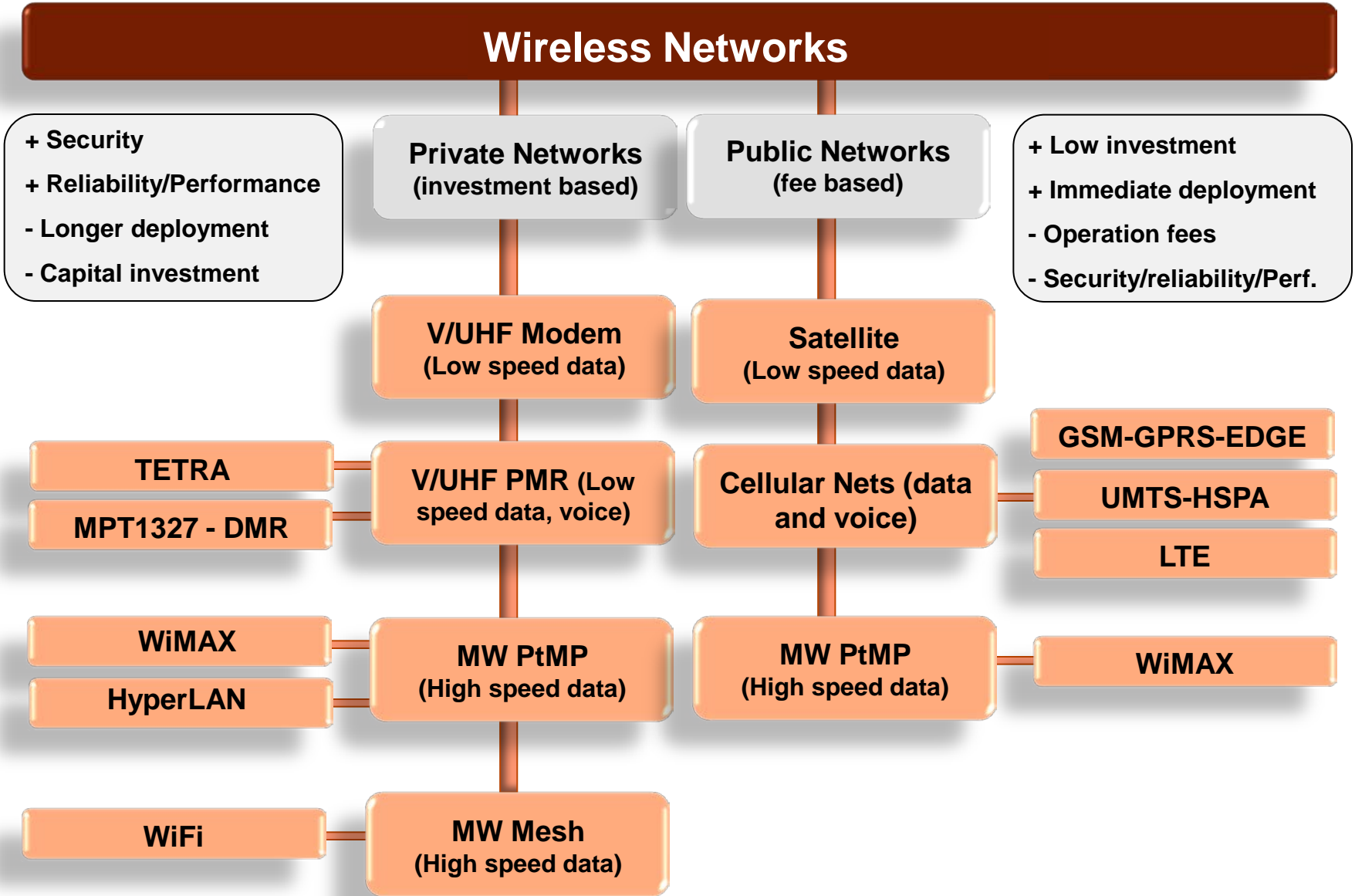
## Summary

- FOX615 provides...
  - full interoperability to FOX515
  - similar TDM access interfaces as FOX515 including utility specific interfaces such as Teleprotection
  - support of SDH technology until 2020 and beyond
  - significantly enhanced Ethernet/ IP interfaces & services
- FOX615 is a utility grade equipment (enhanced temperature range, EMC/ EMI) based on well proven FOX515 experience
- FOX615 provides investment protection because of:
  - Full interoperability with huge installed FOX515 base
  - Future upgradability to Packet Switched Networks
  - Full integration into the FOXMAN-UN NMS



# Tropos WLAN-Mesh

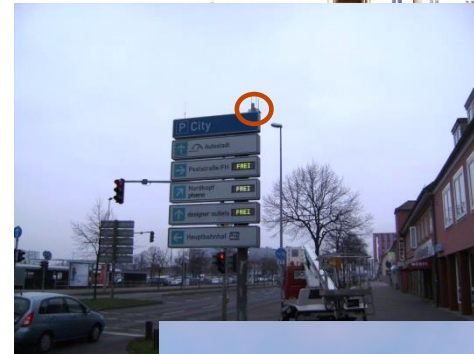
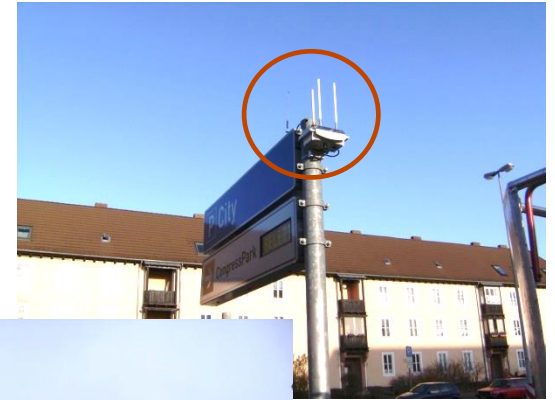
# Wireless Technologies Overview



# eMobility Germany

## Wolfsburg AG, Wolfsburg

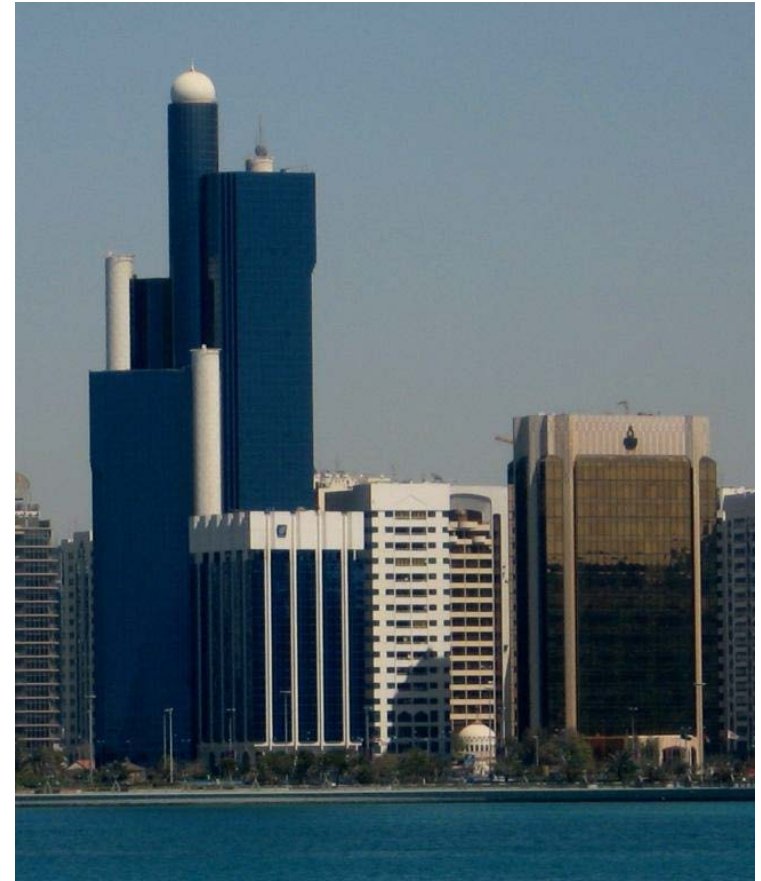
- Tropos WLAN-Mesh running since 2008
- Over 70 Dual-Band 6320 Routers installed
- Next extension +70 Dual-Band Routers
- Tropos-Network covers over 20 km<sup>2</sup>
- Applications in use over the network:
  - SCADA
  - Free parking space
  - eCharging Stations
  - Public WLAN



# Abu Dhabi Electric & Water Authority (ADWEA)

## Efficient resource management, emirate-wide

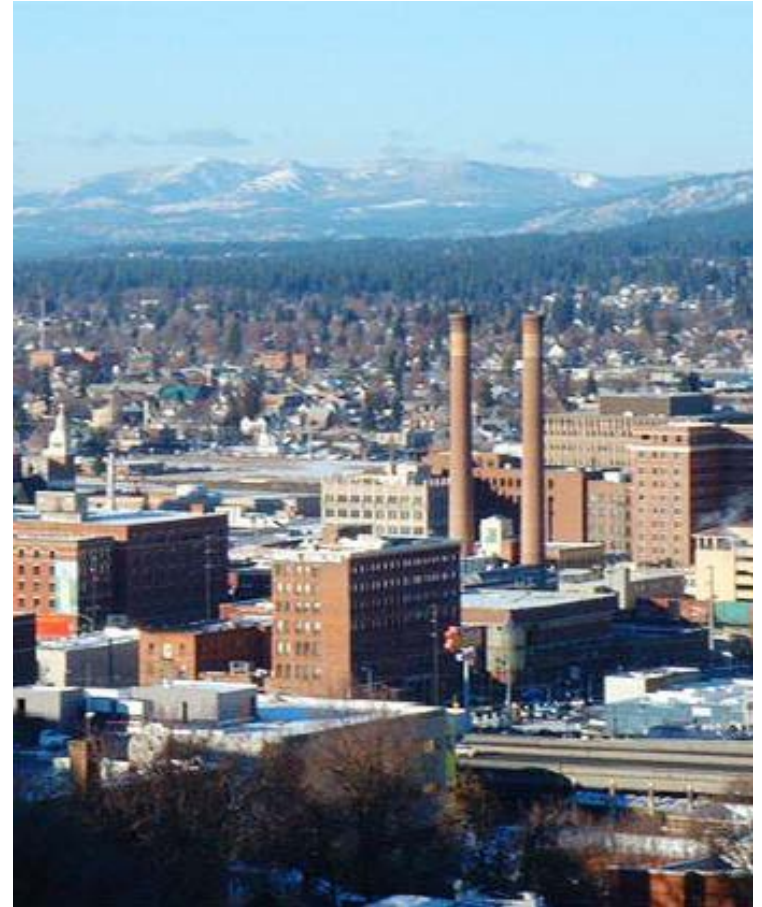
- Over 1 million smart power and water meters in urban, suburban and rural areas connected by Tropos network
- Tropos network spans >3,000 square miles
- Built to support multiple Smart Grid applications simultaneously
  - Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)
  - Real-time SCADA substation control
  - Distribution automation (DA)
  - Mobile workforce connectivity
  - Substation video security
  - Street light control



# Avista, USA

## Two smart grid projects – both using Tropos GridCom

- Spokane Smart Circuits Project
  - Goal: reduce outage times through faster detection and isolation of faults
  - 14 substations and 59 distribution feeders serving >110,000 customers
  - Network connects >200 DA devices
- Pullman Smart Grid Demonstration Project
  - AMI: 13,000 power and 5,000 gas meters
  - DA: 13 feeders and >60 DA devices (reclosers, cap banks, transformers)
  - Part of the Pacific Northwest smart grid demonstration project
  - Opportunity to extend use of networks for additional applications





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