

# SAFARI Project

*Scalable and Flexible optical Architecture for Reconfigurable Infrastructure*



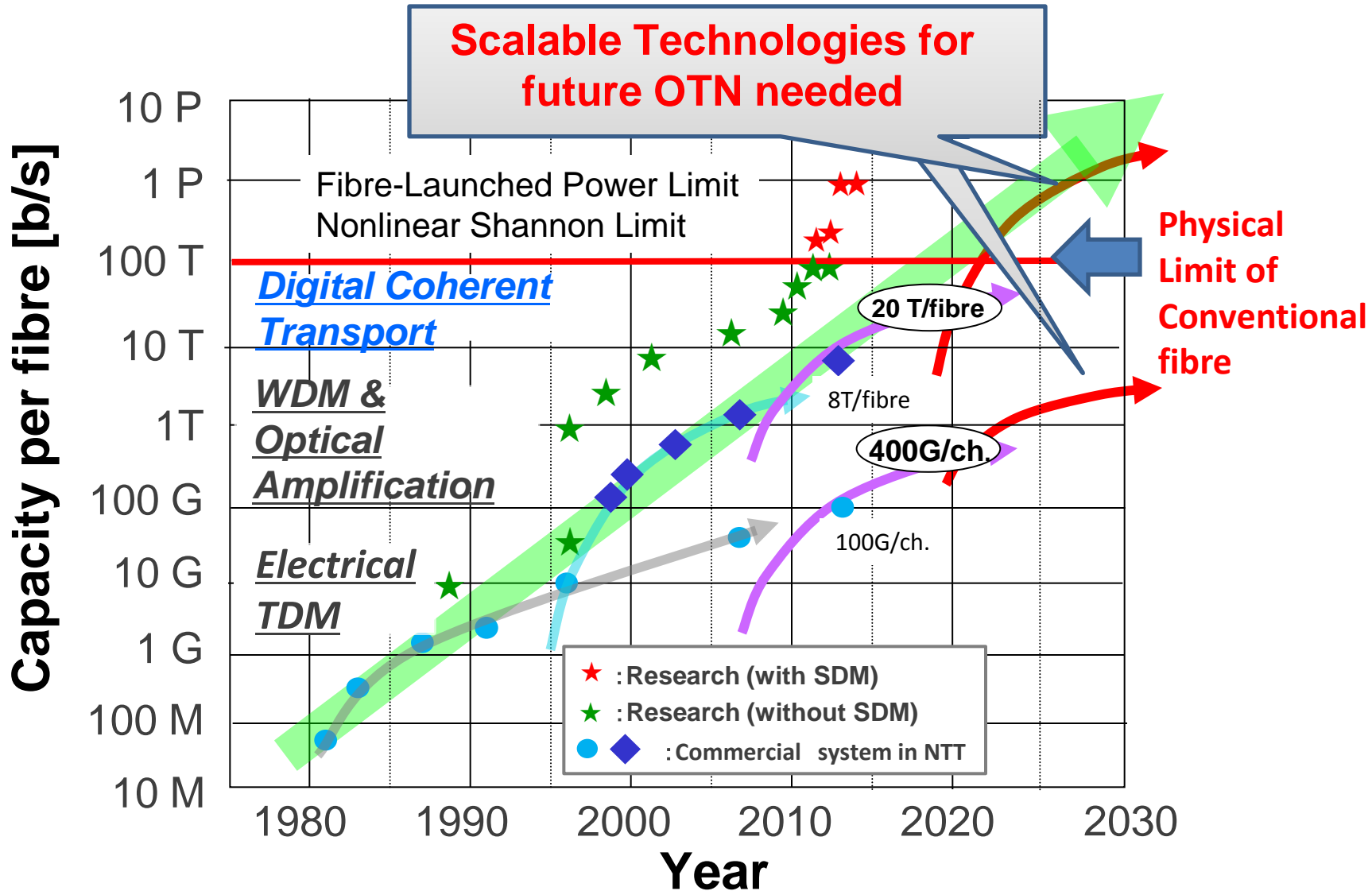
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# Demand for Scalable Optical Transport Network



# International standardisation of Flexible Grid and the first application to 400 Gbps transport over OTN



Future WDM network

**High capacity based on multicarriers (super channels)**

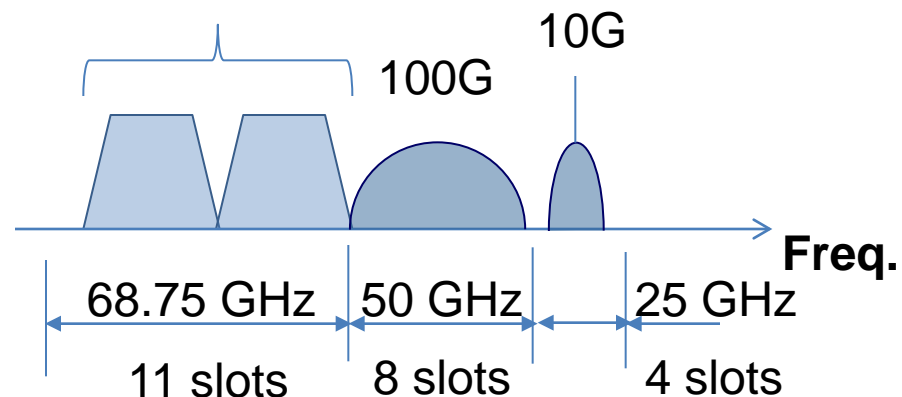
**Variable bandwidth (Freq. Slot)**

**$\Rightarrow N \times 6.25 \text{ GHz}$**

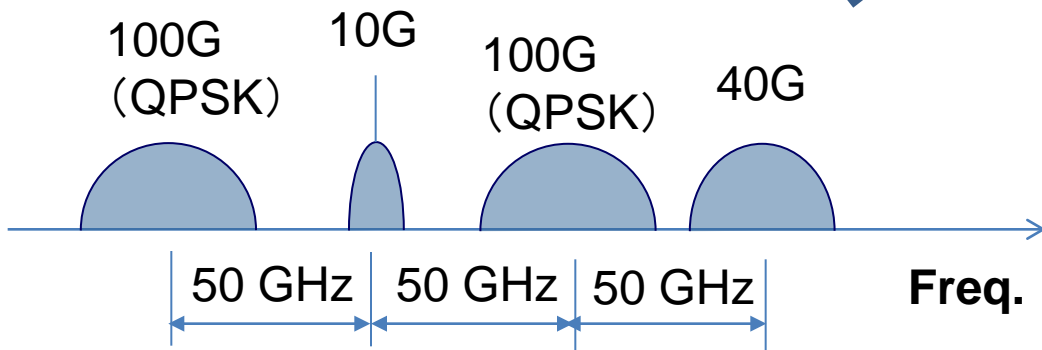
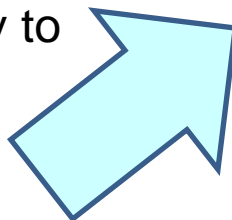
**The anchor frequency (the same)**

**$\Rightarrow 193.1 \text{ THz}$  (1552.52 nm)**

**400G super channel (16QAM x 2 subcarriers)**



Japan has contributed significantly to the standardisation of flexible grid in ITU-T SG15



Today's WDM network

**High speed single carrier signal Fixed Frequency Grid:**

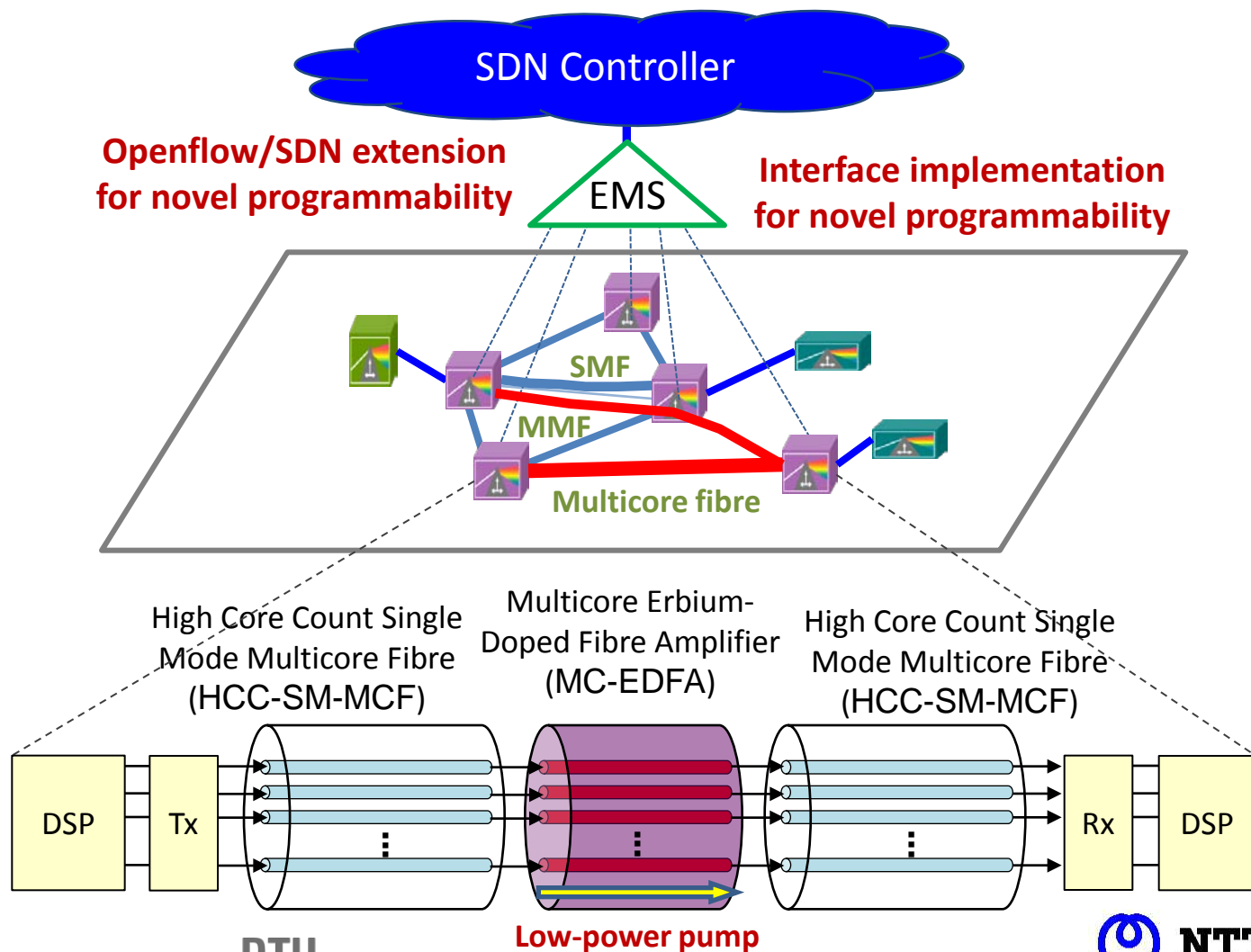
**$\Rightarrow N \times 12.5 \text{ GHz}$**

**The anchor frequency (the same)**

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QAM: Quadrature Amplitude Modulation

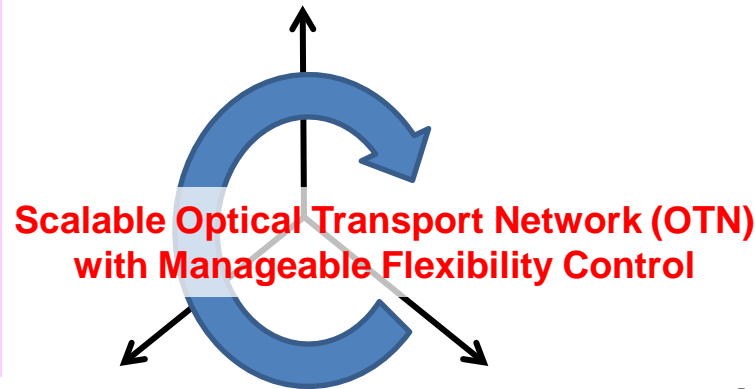
# Overview of the SAFARI project



# EU and Japan collaborations on the SAFARI project

(**S**calable and **F**lexible optical **A**rchitecture for **R**econfigurable **I**nfrastructure)

Space Division Multiplexing (SDM)  
(SDM multiplicity)



## EU team

- Technical Univ. of Denmark (DTU)
- Southampton Univ. (UOS)
- Coriant R&D GmbH (COR)

## Japan team

- Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (NTT)
- Fujikura Ltd. (FUJ)

Programmable Spectral Efficiency  
(modulation formats)

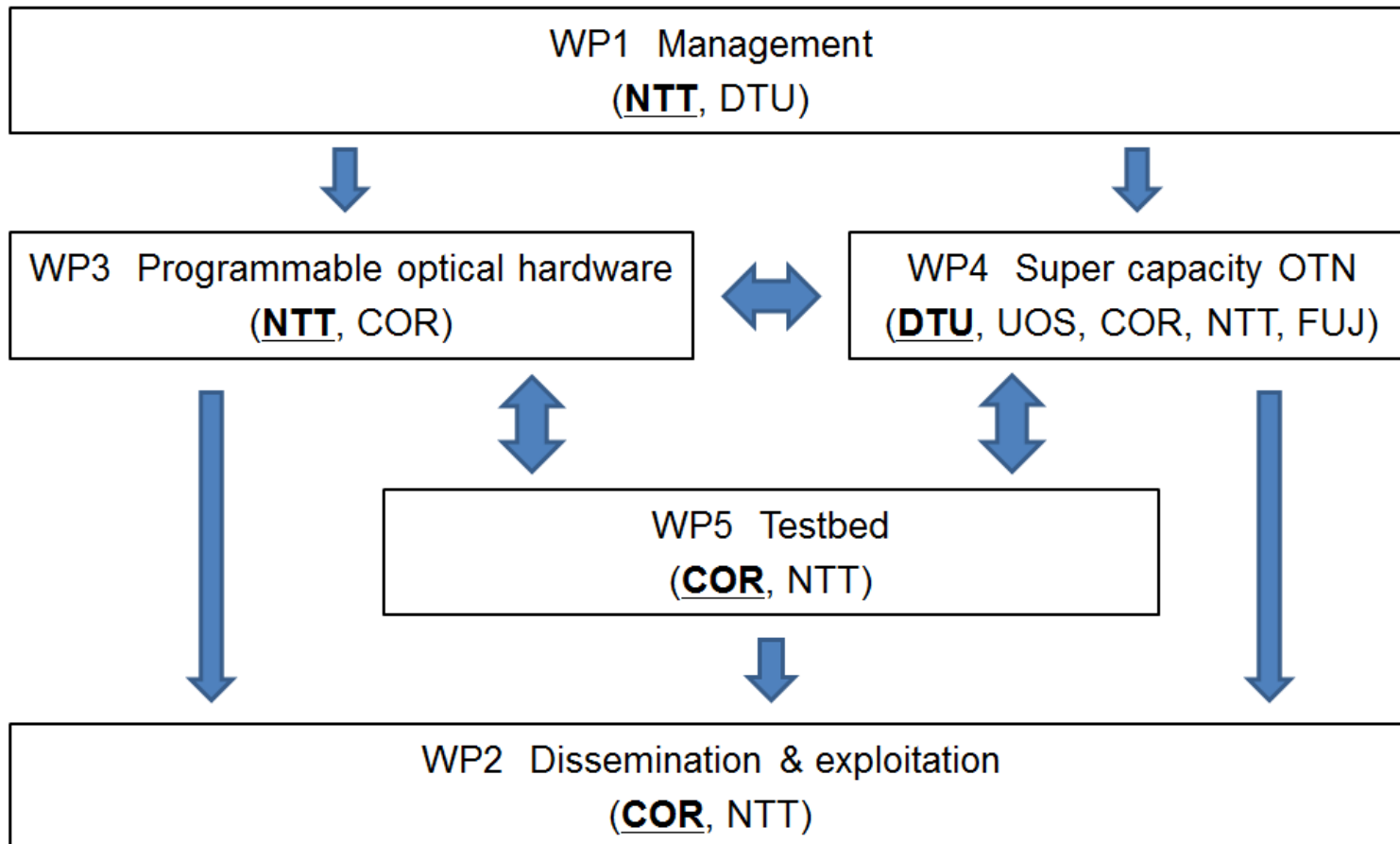
Programmable Signal Bandwidth  
(subcarrier numbers)

	DTU	UOS	COR	NTT	FUJ
Network control of programmable function				●	
Interworking functions for programmable control			●		
Design and verification of programmable function				●	
Design and system verification of SDM systems	●		●	●	
Detail design and fabrication of multicore fibre					●
Design and fabrication of multicore fibre amplifiers		●			
Testbed verification	●	●	●	●	●

# Working package structure



## Work plan



Verification and establishment of a control scheme for optical transport programmability beyond 400 Gb/s

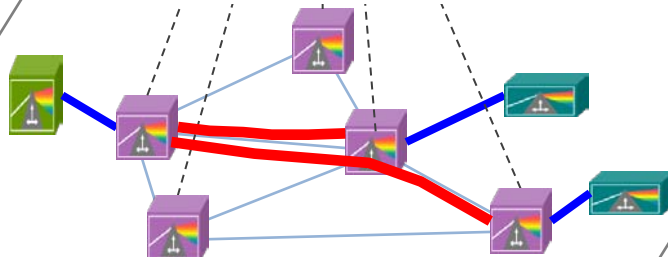


Openflow/SDN extension for novel programmability



EMS

Interface implementation for novel programmability



**Programmability utilization design for scalable network provisioning**

Scalable control of carrier network with an optimum degree of programmability



**Interworking between SDN and Physical Layer**

Abstraction of information from programmable elements and the fiber links and implementation of intermediate layer



**Programmable functions of L0/L1**

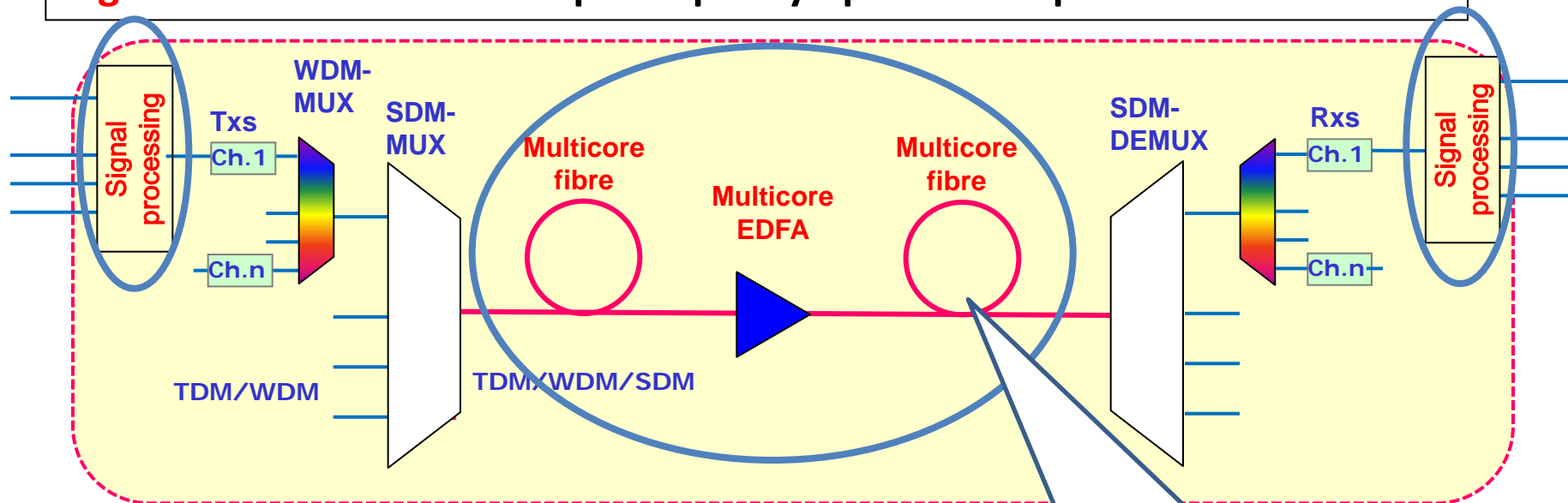
Develop and verify various flexible features of programmable optical hardware including carrier-number, modulation format etc.



# WP4 Super capacity optical transport networks



Investigation and development of **MCF-based SDM technologies with high core counts** toward super-capacity optical transport networks



- *Multicore fibres*



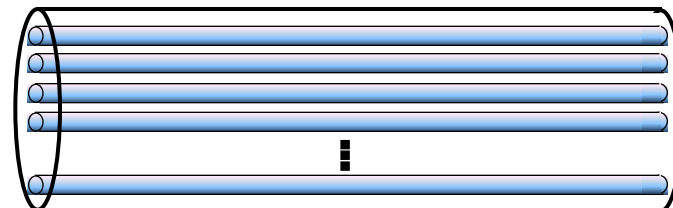
- *Multicore EDFA*



- *Signal processing for SDM*



Single-mode multicore fibre

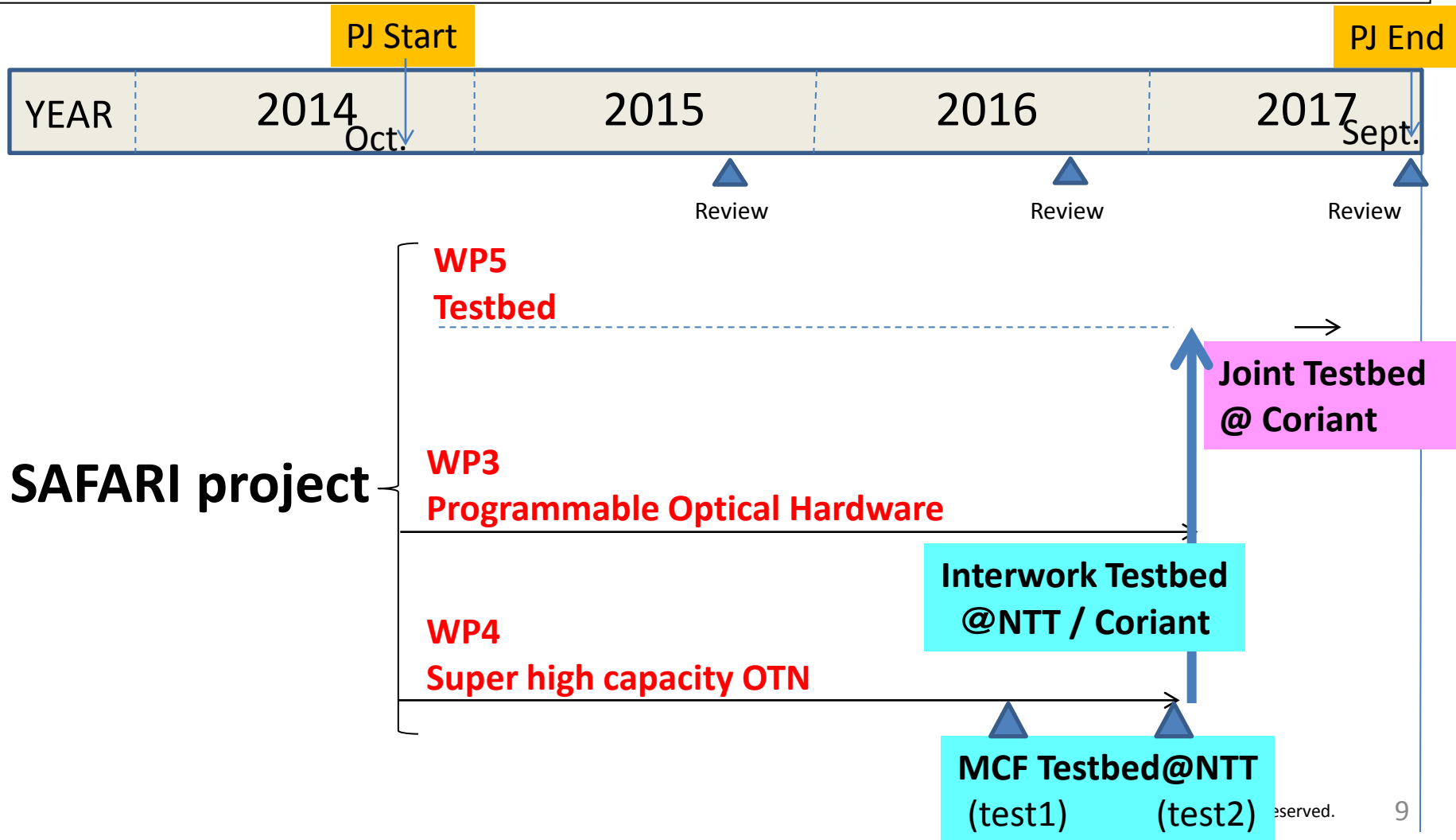




# WP5 Testbed



The core technologies for future scalable Optical Transport Network in WP3 and WP4 are combined to be tested in the testbed of WP5



## Significance of EU-Japan R&D collaboration

### Impact on society (commercialisation and standardisation)

- ◆ High speed digital signal processing technologies at more than 400G and SDN-based control technologies offering flexible functionality is the key for future OTN
- ◆ Capacity scaling of super channels is expected through various combinations of wavelength division and space division multiplexing for channel capacities beyond 400 Gbps

### Technical feasibility

- ◆ EU team is a world leader in SDN-controlled transport layer systems
- ◆ Japan team is a world leader in real-time high-speed DSP-ASICs
- ◆ Japan team has world leading expertise in MCF transmission technology
- ◆ EU team has world leading expertise in SDM optical amplification technology

### Advantages of EU-Japan collaboration

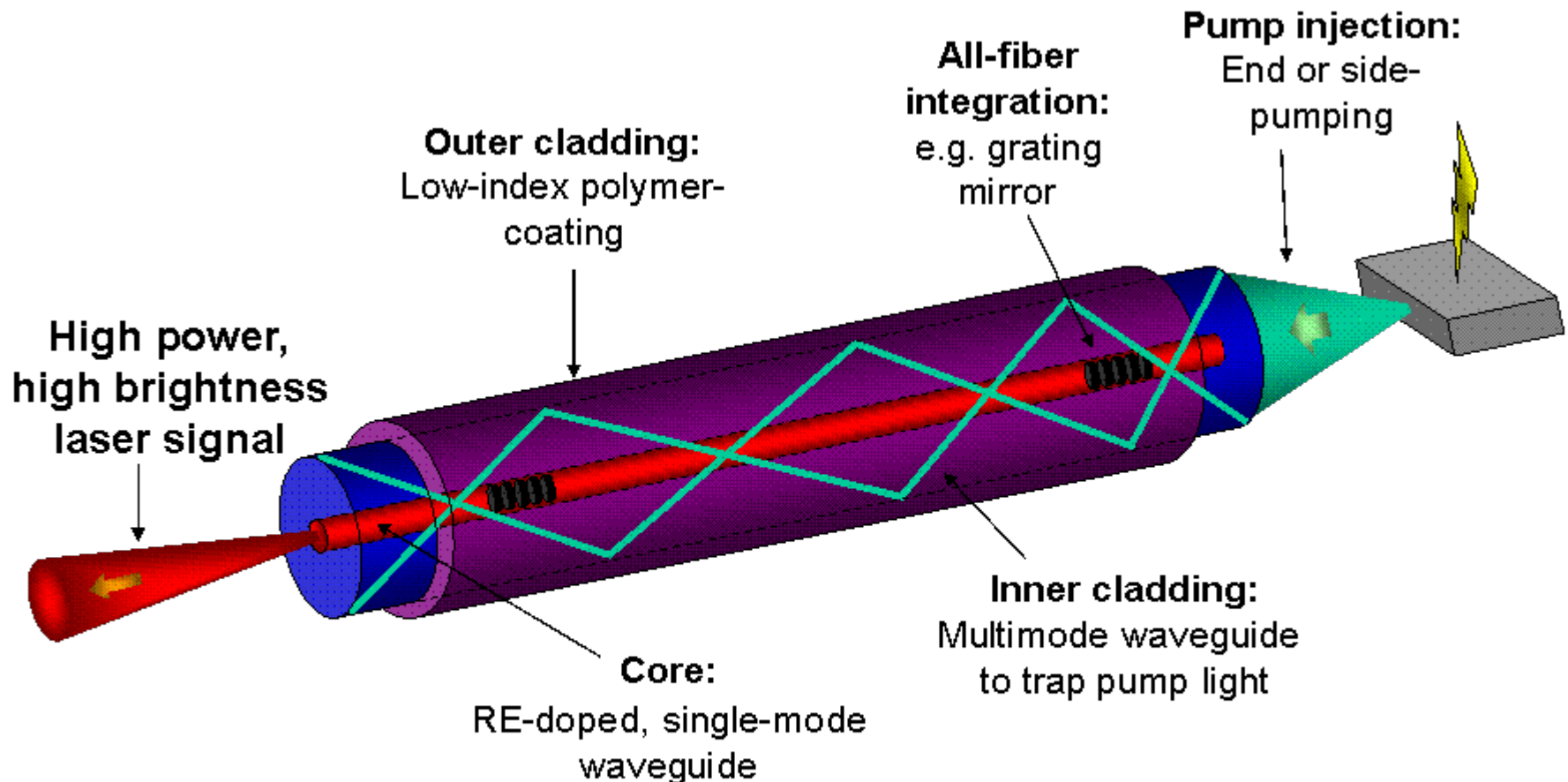
- ◆ Sharing technical roadmap on the evolution for managing flexibility in future scalable OTN
- ◆ Proposal of international standards for future interoperability through wide-scope open innovation based on the world leading technologies from the EU and Japan



Innovative R&D by NTT

# Reference

# Cladding Pumped Fibre Devices



**Rare-earth-doped core converts multimode pump energy to high brightness, *diffraction-limited*, signal beam**