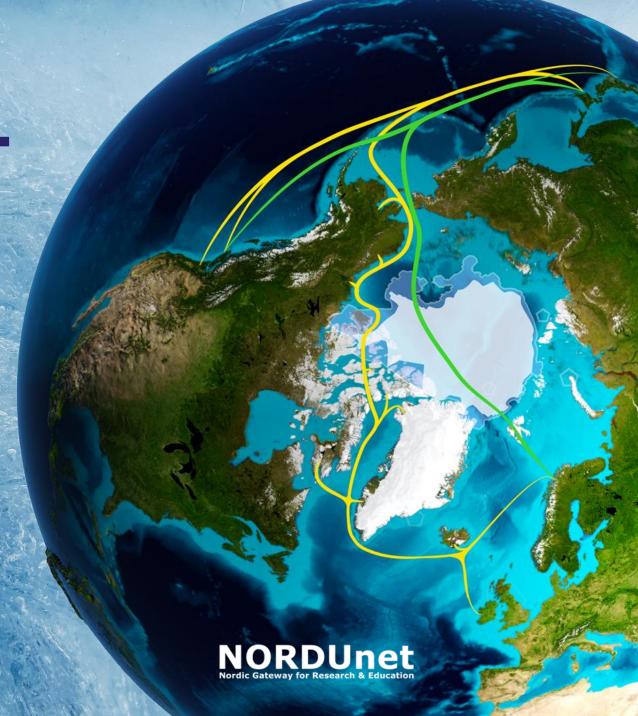
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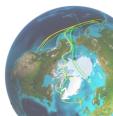
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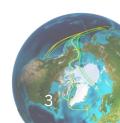
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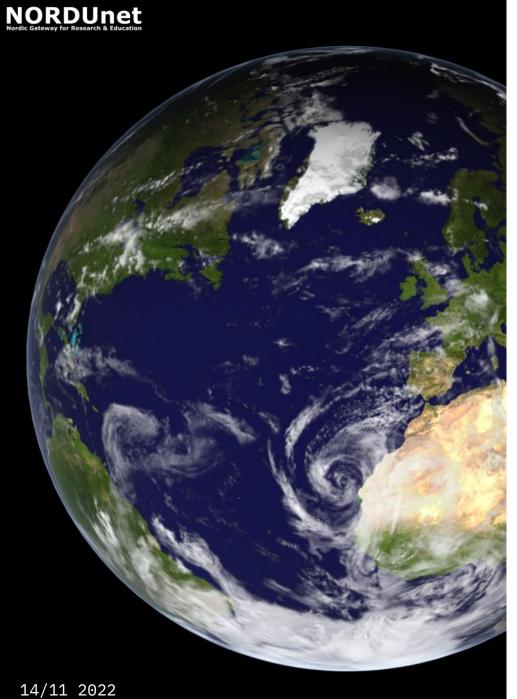
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- Green Datacenters
- Climate and SMART cables



Increasing international collaboration and globalization drives an increasing demand on stable **and redundant** connectivity.









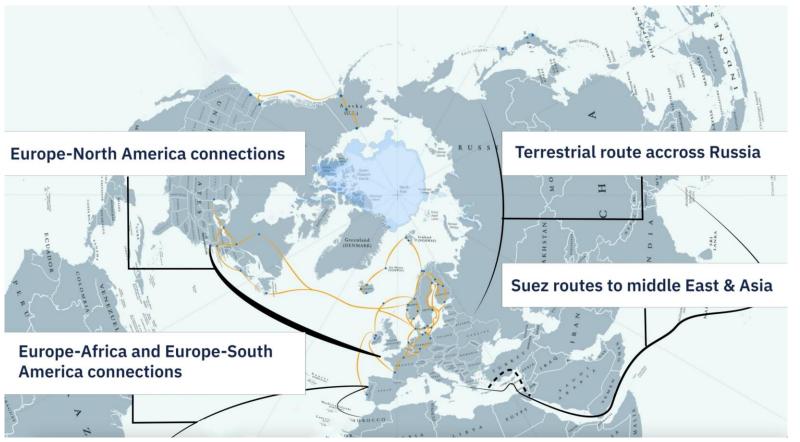
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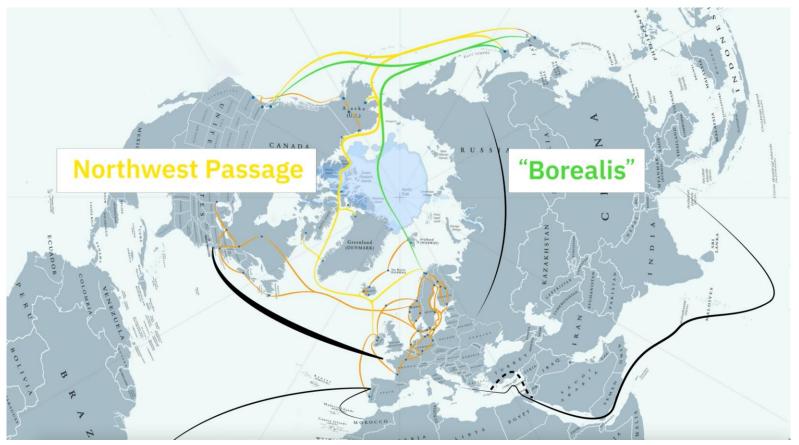




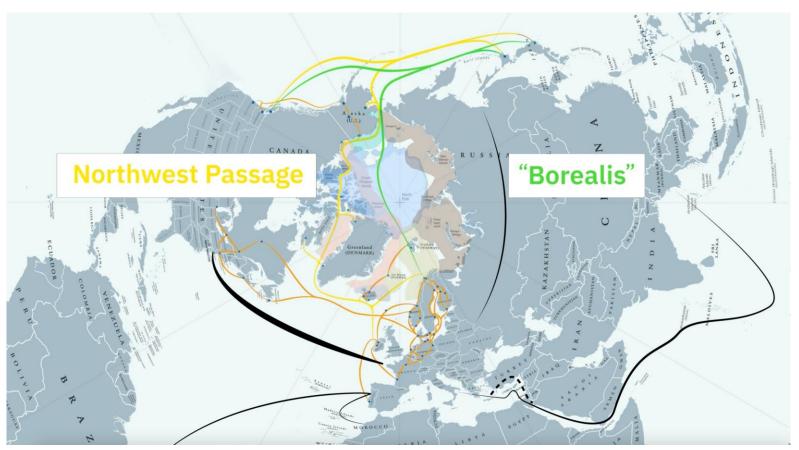
Multiple connections (cables) give redundancy and resilience.



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LOCAL EXCESS ENERGY – DUE TO LACK OF POWER INFRASTRUCTURE



MORE EFFICIENT AND CHEAPER TO MOVE DATA THAN ENERGY



FREE COOLING AND REUSE OF EXCESSIVE HEAT

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#### **CLIMATE AND SMART CABLES**

- Global warming
  - Sea level change
  - Ocean heat, circulation
- SMARTcables Technologies
  - Repeater + sensors
- Protecting/monitoring the cables themselves
- Supporting arctic and climate research

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#### **SUMMARY AND NEXT STEPS**

- Looking for Improved Connectivity to Asia
- Long term, timeframe for sea-cable system years -> Vision 2030.
- Increased redundancy
- Cheaper to move data then electric power
- Awaiting results from CEF call

