

## IPv6 in cross border applications - GEN6

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  - Authentications Services as an horizontal services



## **GEN6** IPv6-readiness for cross-border services

- 1. Design of a network architecture that assures seamless IPv6 interconnection in a transition scenario
- 2. Analysis of current interconnection networks
- 3. Definition and testing of the interconnection between German and Spanish access points to get an end-to-end connection via operational IPv6 connectivity
- Implementation of a Pilot that demonstrates the feasibility of the IPv6 based cross-border service, based on a realistic use case:
  - Cross-border authentication for egov services using STORK





- Identification of the needed technical arrangements for interoperability of the IPv6 transition for all domestic strategies.
- Prepare different transition scenarios in a mixed environment of IPv4 and IPv6 clouds in the government tiers (national, regional, universities, ...),
- Test the interoperability scenarios and compile a troubleshooting manual, roadmap of actions developed and guidelines.
- Define different cross-border scenarios for egov and other services.



## **Cross-border** e-government services

- a) Are provided by or on behalf of European public sector entities;
- b) At local, regional, national, or supra-national level;
- c) By means of interoperable trans-European telematic networks;
- d) In order to improve public administration tasks;
- e) That are capable of meeting a service demand of public entities, citizens, and/or businesses other than those which are native to the public sector entity's geographic level through nationality, registration or incorporation.

EU's Digital Agenda Study on Analysis of the Needs for Cross-Border Services and Assessment of the Organisational, Legal, Technical and Semantic Barriers (SMART 2011/0074)



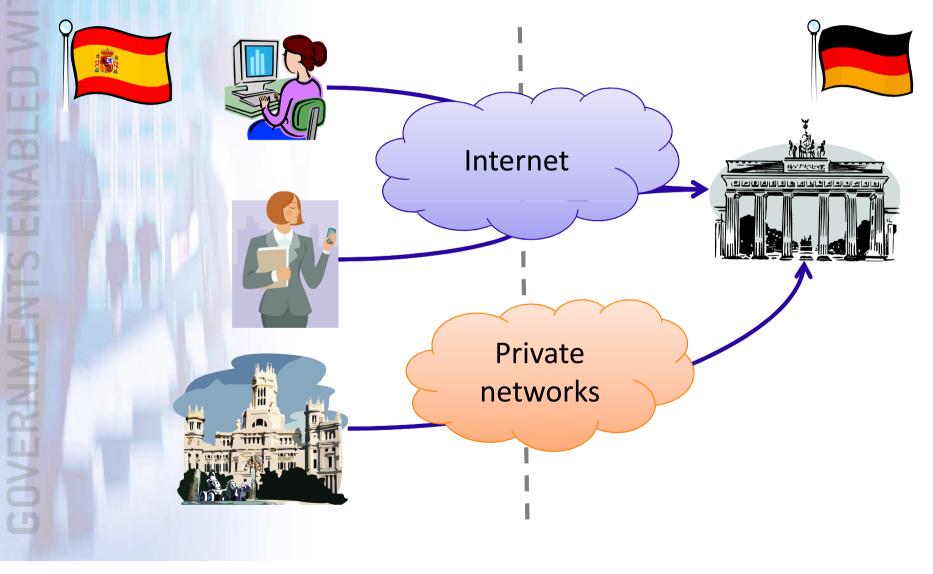
## **Cross-border** e-government services

- A2C: Administration to Citizen
  - Register as domicile, driver's license, work permit, electronic prescription
- A2B: Administration to Business
  - Register a legal entity, tax declaration, paying social security
- A2A: Administration to Administration
  - Social security information, criminal records, customs and taxation





## **Cross-border** e-government services





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- Large Scale Pilot in the CIP program
- Extends eID authentication across Europe
  - eAuthentication is an electronic process that allows the validation of the electronic identification of a person.
- Generic service
  - Used by other e-government services that rely on the STORK platform for identification and authentication
  - STORK

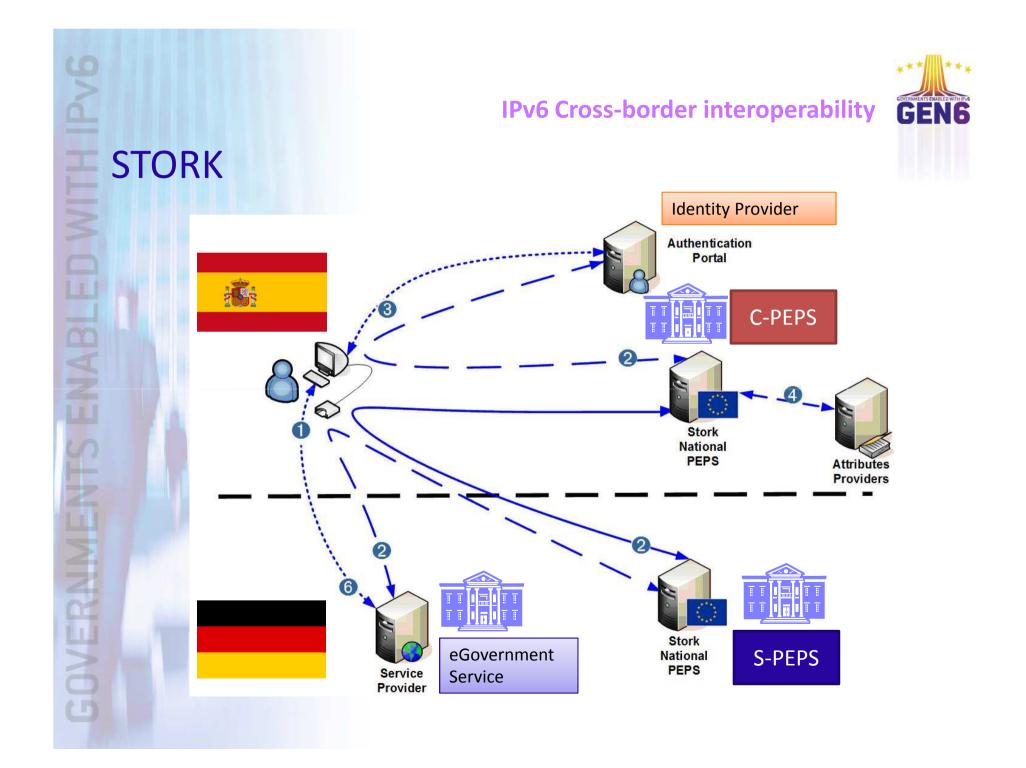
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- Executed from 2008 to 2011
- Deployed a interoperability platform for European eID
- Citizens can access to foreign e-government services using their national eID
- STORK 2.0
  - From 2012 to 2015
  - Extends eAuthentication to legal persons







## 1. Architecture

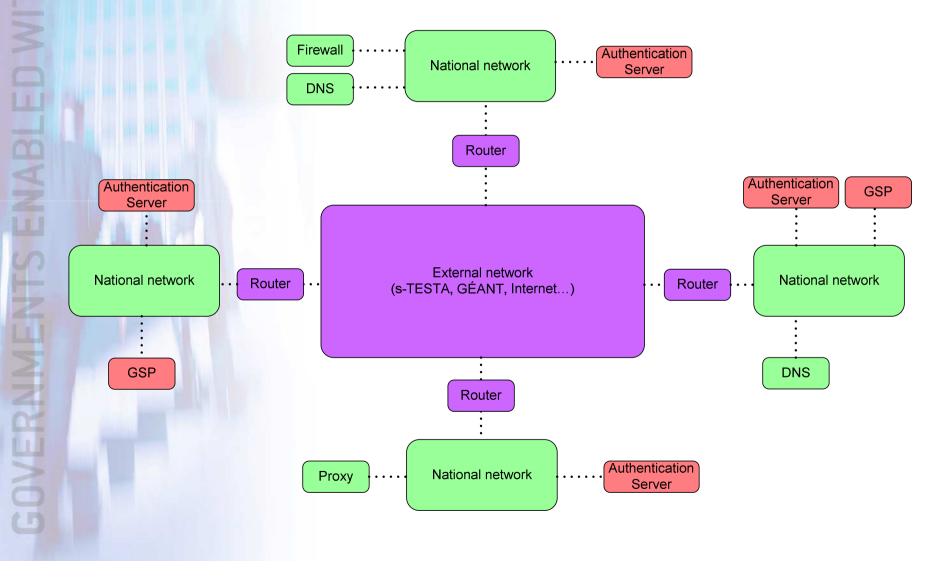
- Grounded on existing interconnection infrastructures
- Composed by three elements
  - Government Service Providers (GSPs)
    - The cross-border service (e.g. certificate of address)
    - Also cross-border authentication services (such as STORK)
  - National and regional governmental networks
    - Interconnect different service providers in a regional or national scope (e.g. Red SARA, DOI)
    - External networks
      - Interconnect national networks (e.g. sTESTA)





## 1. Architecture

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## 2. Analysis of current interconnection networks

- Cross-border networks: Most relevant are sTESTA and GÉANT
  GÉANT
  - Interconnects research and education networks, and some government departments
  - Present on most of Member States
  - Native IPv6 support
- sTESTA
  - Interconnects different European networks
  - Preferred solution to exchange information between European administrations
  - Offers integrated security of communications
  - IPv4-only, sTESTA-ng will offer IPv6 but not before than 2015 once transition phase is finished



- 3. Definition and testing of IPv6 interconnection
- Enabling German and Spanish access points to get end-to-end IPv6 connection
  - Two alternatives:
    - Native IPv6 connection
      - Transitional IPv6 connection



## 3. Definition and testing of IPv6 interconnection

• Native connection:

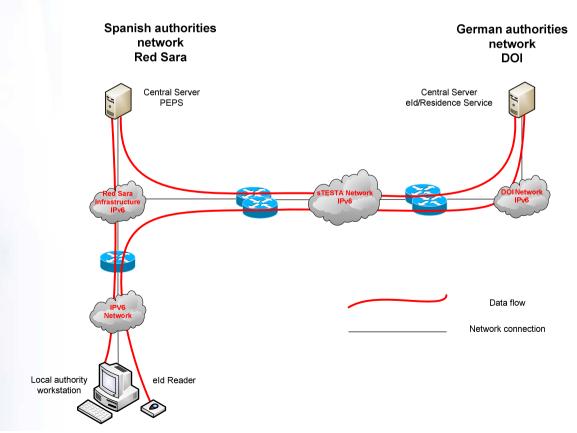
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- Preferred alternative:
- Work has been done with DIGIT to provide sTESTA with IPv6 support





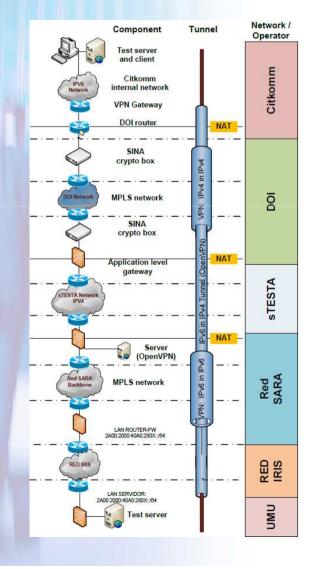
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#### Native connection:

- It will not be possible short-term
  - Alternative IPv6-enabled Internet providers, such as GÉANT would be required (not every government department is member)
  - Security and encryption are mandatory when not using sTESTA
- Transitional IPv6 connection
  - Provide a solution based on tunnelling while a native IPv6 network is not available
  - Tested between Germany (Citkomm) and Spain (MINHAP)
  - Two approaches have been tested:
    - 1. Based on SIT tunnelling
    - 2. Based on OpenVPN tunnelling



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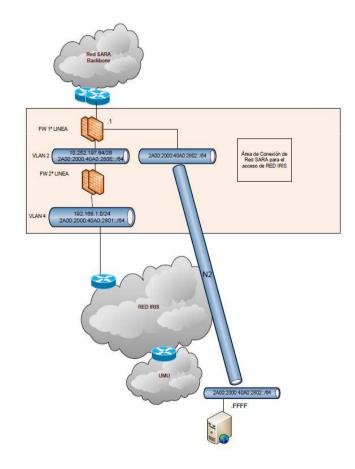
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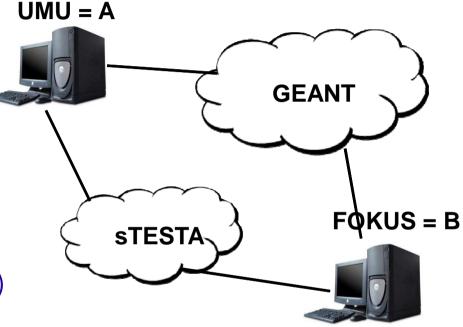
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#### **Testing** infrastructure



- TCP A  $\rightarrow$  B (5 minutes)
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  - TCP A  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  B (5 minutes)
  - UDP 1Mbps A  $\rightarrow$  B (5 minutes)
  - UDP 1Mbps  $A \leftarrow B$  (5 minutes)
  - UDP 1Mbps  $A \leftrightarrow B$  (5 minutes)
  - ICMPv6 A  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  B (5 minutes)
- This test batch is launched every hour during a whole day
- How the PDR% changes when the transmission speed is increased
- Results
  - Max. Bandwidth, Packet Delivery Ratio (PDR) and Round-Trip Time (RTT)
  - PDR% behaviour in the limit of the link capacity



## TCP results – Max. Bandwidth –

- GEANT
  - 70-95 Mbit/s Max. Bandwidth
  - Full duplex and symmetric bandwidth
  - Appreciable "slow-start"
  - No degradation of the QoS

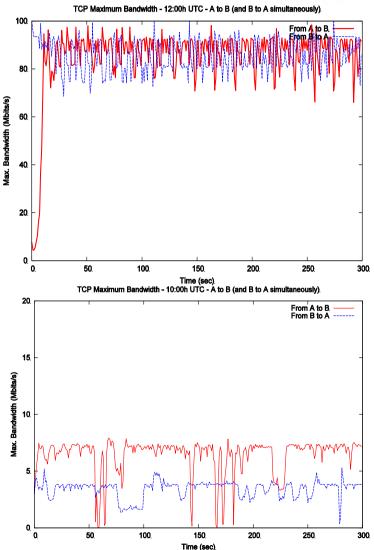
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- 6.2 Mbit/s Max. BW from A to B
- 3.4 Mbit/s Max. BW from B to A
- Asymmetric bandwidth
- Some degradation of the QoS at office hours





### 3. Definition and testing of IPv6 interconnection

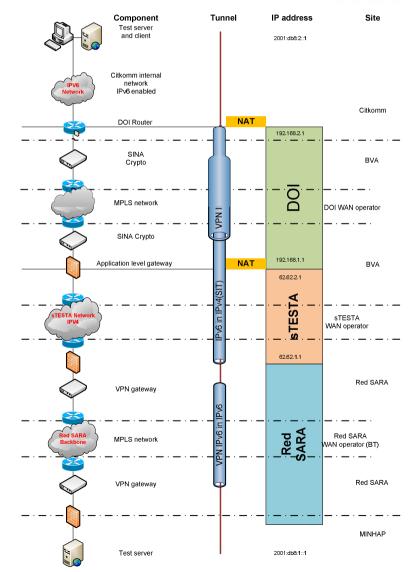
#### • Example of Results

Test parts	GEANT (mean)	sTESTA (corrected)	sTESTA (mean)
TCP Max. Bandwidth from A to B	93.141 Mbps	7.72 Mbps	7.11 Mbps
TCP Max. Bandwidth from B to A	93.182 Mbps	5.53 Mbps	5.10 Mbps
TCP Max. Bandwidth from A to B (and B to A)	84.677 Mbps	6.786 Mbps	6.249 Mbps
TCP Max. Bandwidth from B to A (and A to B)	84.676 Mbps	3.735 Mbps	3.440 Mbps
UDP Max. Bandwidth from A to B	~88 Mbps	~9.77 Mbps	~9 Mbps
UDP Max. Bandwidth from B to A	~88 Mbps	~9.77 Mbps	~9 Mbps
UDP PDR% from A to B at 1Mbps	100 %		99.76 %
UDP PDR% from B to A at 1Mbps	100 %		99.96 %
UDP PDR% from A to B (and B to A) at 1Mbps	100 %		99.68 %
UDP PDR% from B to A (and A to B) at 1Mbps	100 %		99.99 %
RTT from A to B	0.122333 sec		0.093963 sec
RTT from B to A	0.155458 sec		0.093710 sec



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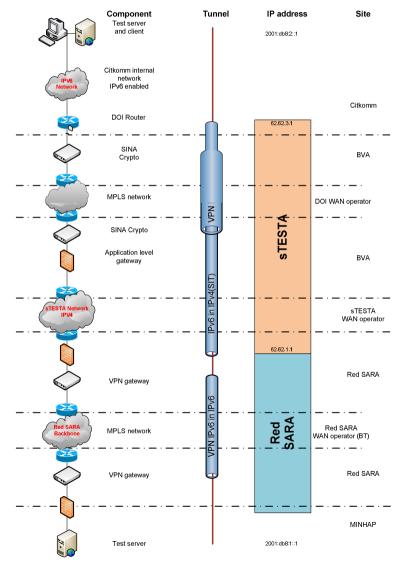
- Based on SIT tunnelling
  - Pros: Easiness of configuration
  - Cons: Does not offer additional level of security (not really required as sTESTA already provides it)
  - Problem: Application level gateway components in the German side did not work well with NAT





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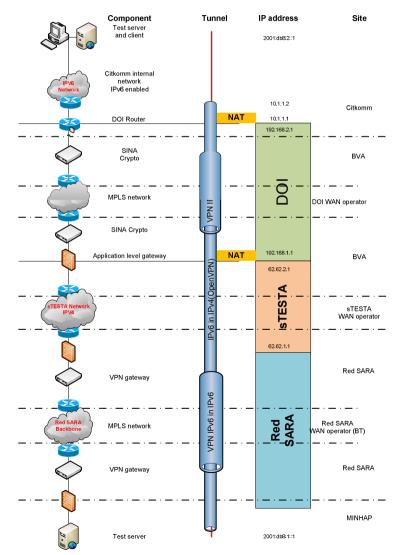
- Based on SIT tunnelling
  - Solution: Connect Citkomm directly to sTESTA
  - Successful connection





### 3. Definition and testing of IPv6 interconnection

- Based on OpenVPN tunnelling
  - Pros:
    - Point-to-point security
    - Works well with NAT
  - Cons:
    - More complicated configuration





- 3. Definition and testing of IPv6 interconnection
- The connection has been tested with ICMP6 and HTTP traffic
  - Transfer of large files (~ 50MB) over http

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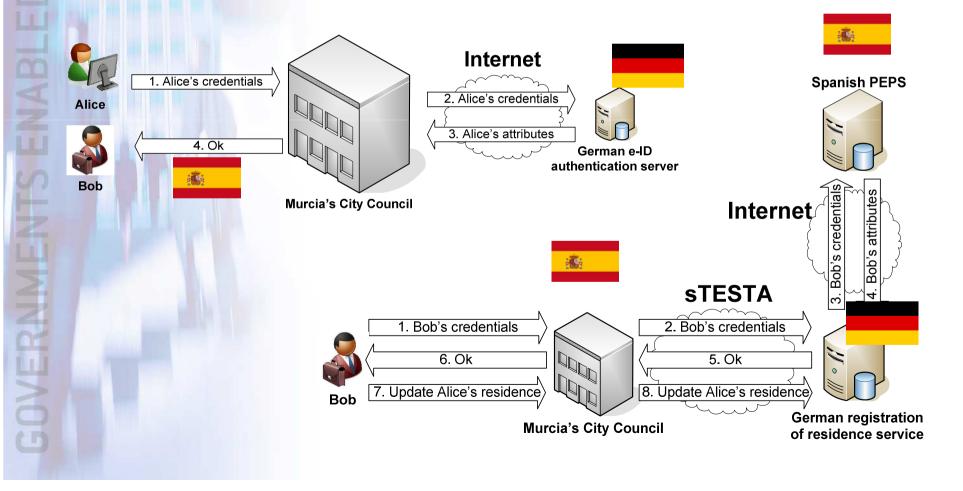
- It delivered the expected performance (~ 2-5Mbit/s) in both directions.
- DNS not involved in the test, requiring the use of IPv6 literals
- A set of guidelines and good practices is available on the document



- 4. Implementation of a IPv6-enabled cross-border service
  - EID Integration suporting IPv6 in PEPs provided by STORK
  - STORK ensures cross-border eID interoperability at European level
- Integrating PEPs in the IPv6 national goverment services provided by GEN6
- Smoothly integration of IPv6 in goverment authenticated services in cross-border
- Support for interconnection with German eID
- Based on a realistic use case
  - Alice is a German citizen who wants to establish her official residence on Murcia. For that she has to apply in the city council premises.
  - After demonstrate her identity (cross-border authentication), the public servant (Bob) updates the Spanish database.
  - Finally, Bob updates the German database, demonstrating he is an authorized Spanish public servant (cross-border authentication)

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- 4. Implementation of a IPv6-enabled cross-border service
- Based on a realistic use case





- 4. Implementation of a IPv6-enabled cross-border service
- We have implemented 4 prototypes cross-border services:
  - City council service (Spain)
  - Registration of address service (Germany)
  - Proxy to German eID system for foreign SPs (Germany)
  - Proxy to STORK for German SPs (Spain)
- We have pushed modifications to 2 in-production crossborder services:
  - Spanish STORK infrastructure (including PEPS, DNS, routes, firewall rules...) to support IPv6
  - German eID system (including firewall rules, DNS, routes...) to support IPv6



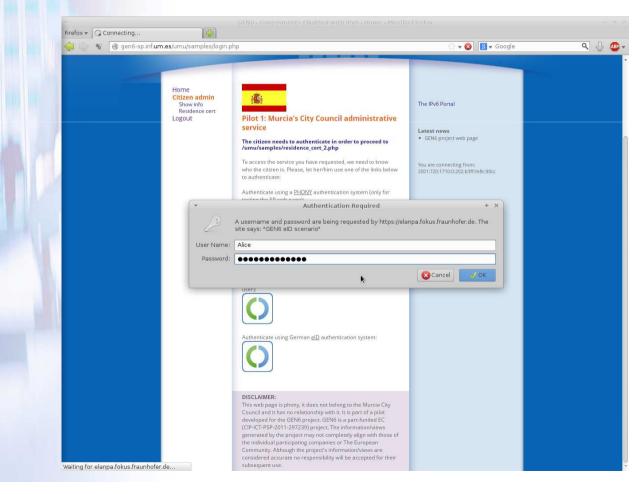
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• City council service authenticating Alice (through the proxy to the German eID system)





- 4. Implementation of a IPv6-enabled cross-border service
  - German registration of address service authenticating Bob (through the proxy to STORK)

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## **Cross-border Safety**

#### System setup

- IPv6 as interconnect interface for cross border EU public safety response team collaboration
  - Fixed

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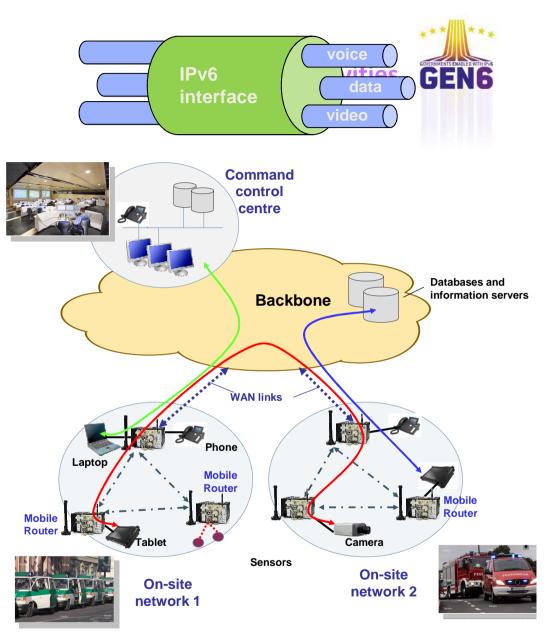
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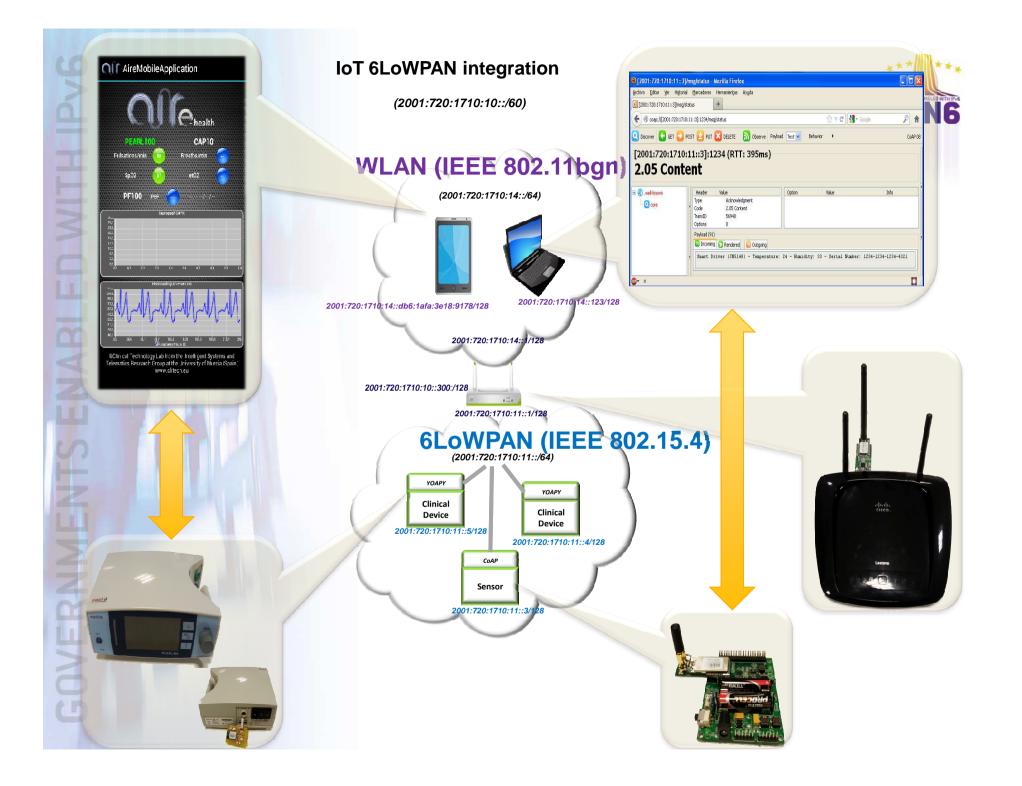
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• Mobile/wireless

#### Integration of components for:

- IPv6 sensor integration within the safety deployment network based on 6LoWPAN for personal and medical sensors
- NEMO (Network Mobility) components to be integrated with the Mobile routers to allow MIPv6 services and different traffic management MCoA with security based on IKEv2 for IPsec.



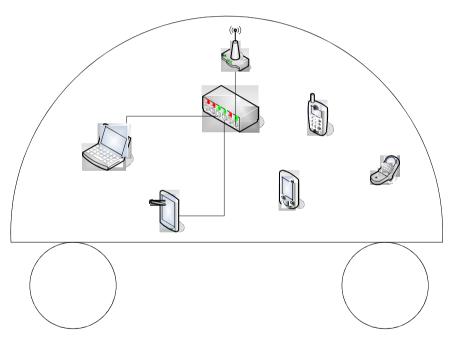


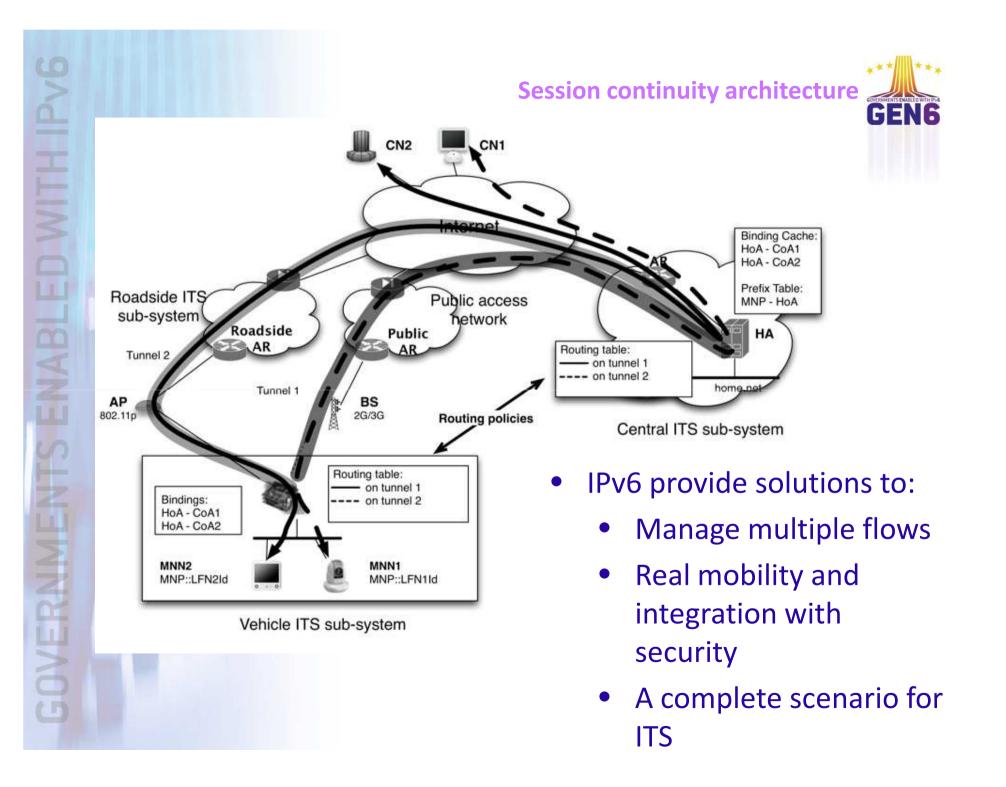
## Several IPv6 nodes in a single mobile entity

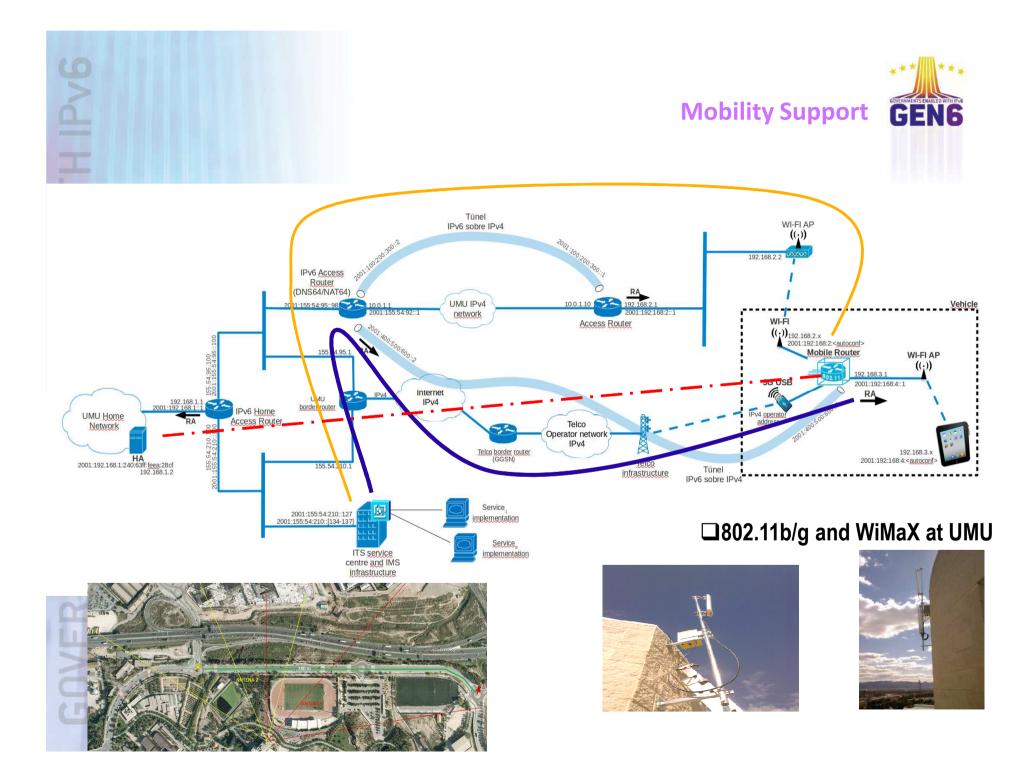
- Multiple IP subnets
- Each node has an IPv6 address
- Every IPv6 address contains a common IPv6 prefix
- Different communication media (3G, M5, MM, WiFi, WiMax...) available due to multihoming support
- IPv6 vs IPv4 provide solution for:
  - Security
  - NEMO
  - MCoA

#### IPv6 as a mobile network











- We have presented different challenges and possible IPv6 drivers for having a cross-border authentication for eGov services
- An analysis of STORK2.0 solution and its applicability in GEN6 project for supporting authentication on the cross-border scenario has be described
- An interconnection of the national IPv6 network from Spain and Germany has been presented
- An the usage of the infrastructure of STORK2.0 and German eID using IPv6 for a cross-border authentication for egoverment has been designed
- IPv6 in ITS and Sensor area represent a good example of the advantages of IPv6