

# Session Title: SD-WAN is Dead, Long Live SD-WAN!

**Session Description:** Since the emergence of SD-WAN in 2014, the WAN ecosystem has undergone a major transformation. Traditionally, businesses relied on carrier-managed private WAN solutions, but today, most have transitioned or are in the process of transitioning to SD-WAN leveraging Internet-based connectivity. Improvements such as service availability, bandwidth capacity, and link quality combined with lower costs and the need for more flexible connectivity options as applications migrate from on-premises to the cloud made this a relatively obvious business choice. However, for many businesses, the transition has not been as seamless as expected.

In regions like the United States, Canada, and Europe, Internet-based WAN connectivity performs comparably to legacy private circuits, making it a viable replacement. Yet, in other parts of the world, inefficient routing presents significant challenges. For example, traffic between South American nations often routes through Florida or Houston, and traffic between African and Middle Eastern nations frequently routes through Frankfurt or London.

Even in 2025, some networks—particularly “eyeball networks”—remain poorly peered in certain regions, making Internet-based WAN transport suboptimal and often unfit for purpose. Conversely, other networks—“content networks”—are exceptionally well-peered in these regions. The key to overcoming the challenge of Internet-based WAN transport lies in leveraging these well-peered content networks to provide transit, creating regional network bridges, and optimize WAN routing. SD-WAN, with its intelligent traffic steering and dynamic path selection, is the solution to unlocking the full potential of Internet-based WAN transport.”

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# A quick history lesson on SD-WAN

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## Software-Defined WAN: A Primer

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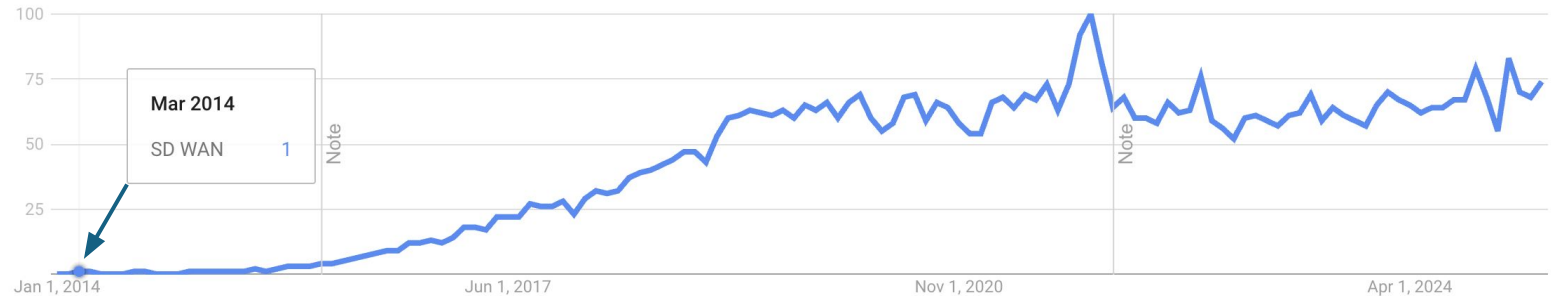
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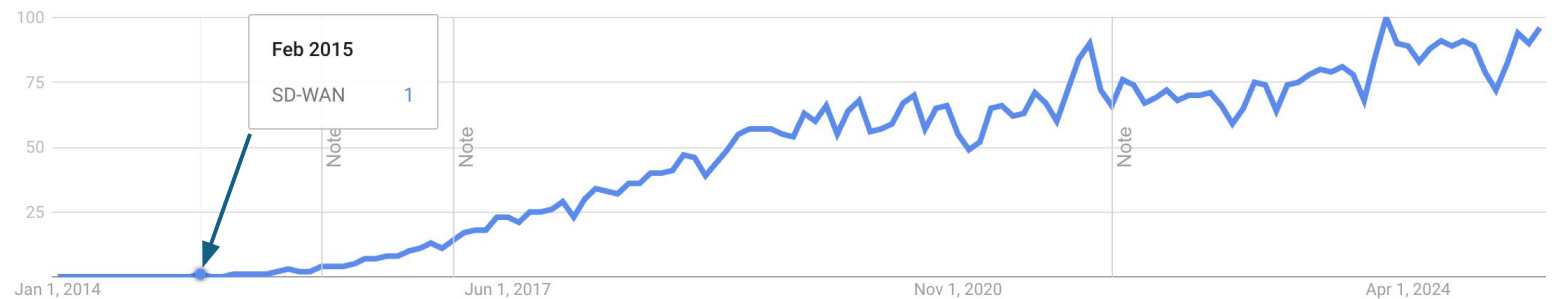
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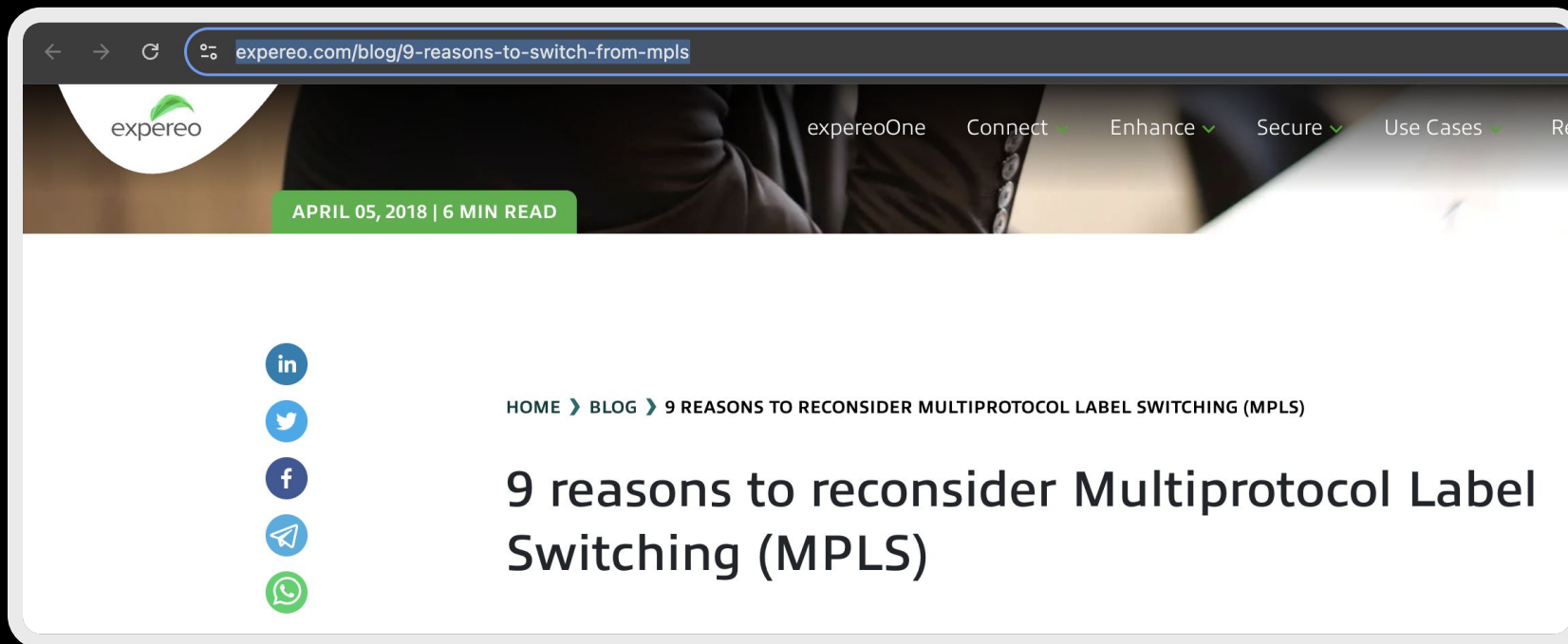
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Ideally, an organization would be able to use broadband connectivity for most interoffice network traffic while putting only mission-critical or quality-sensitive traffic over private MPLS links. Though it's possible to configure routers to do this sort of hybrid WAN manually using technologies like Dynamic Multipoint VPN, Cisco Performance Routing (PfR), and real-time quality measurements, the resulting configuration is complex. Even with such a WAN implementation, it's unlikely that the initial deployment will be the final one. As application profiles change, WAN router configurations need to be changed to

adapt to the current traffic.



**#1. MPLS takes a long time to deploy**

**#2. MPLS can be expensive**

**#3. MPLS is ineffective for small or remote sites**

**#4. MPLS does not allow Internet traffic to be routed locally**

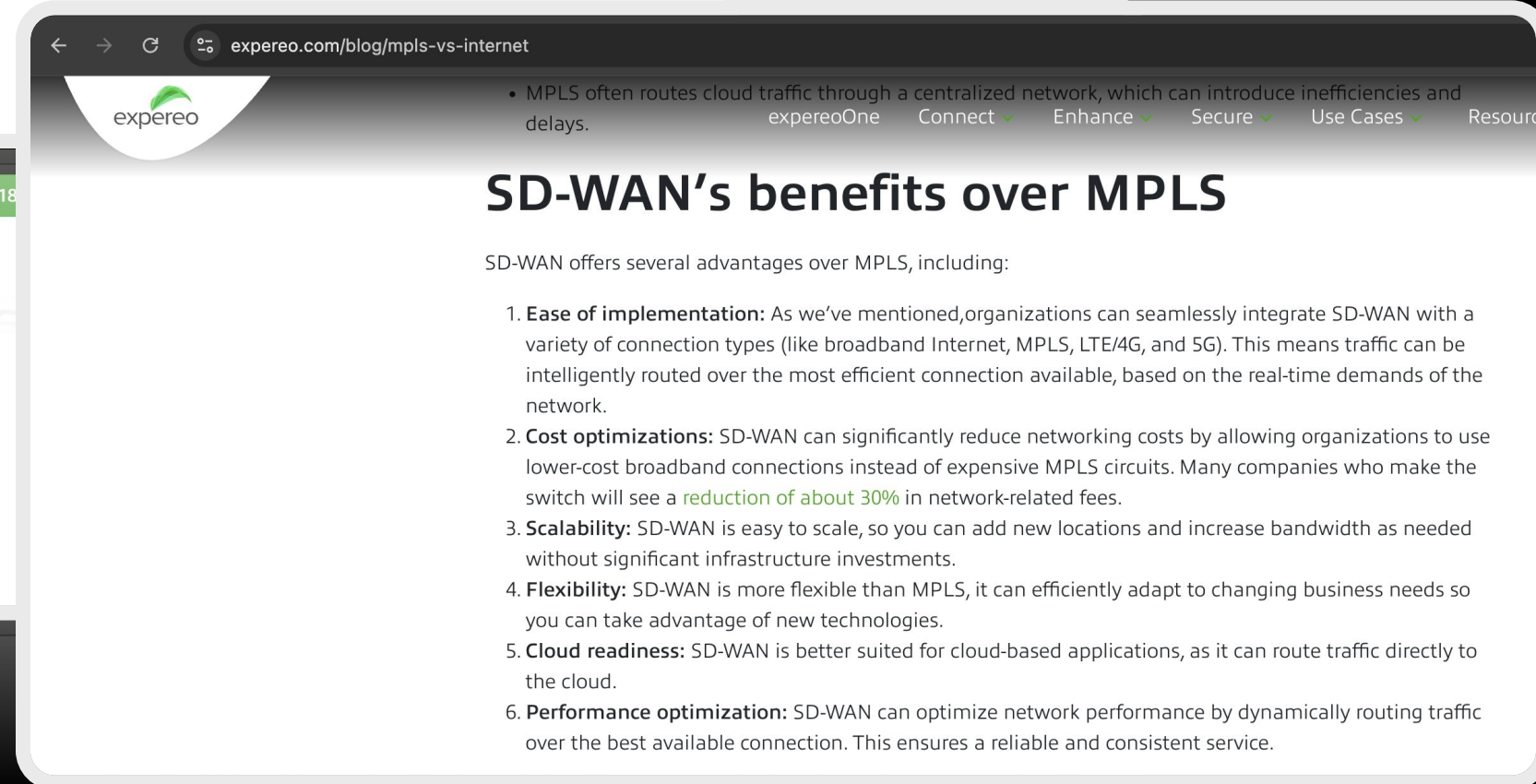
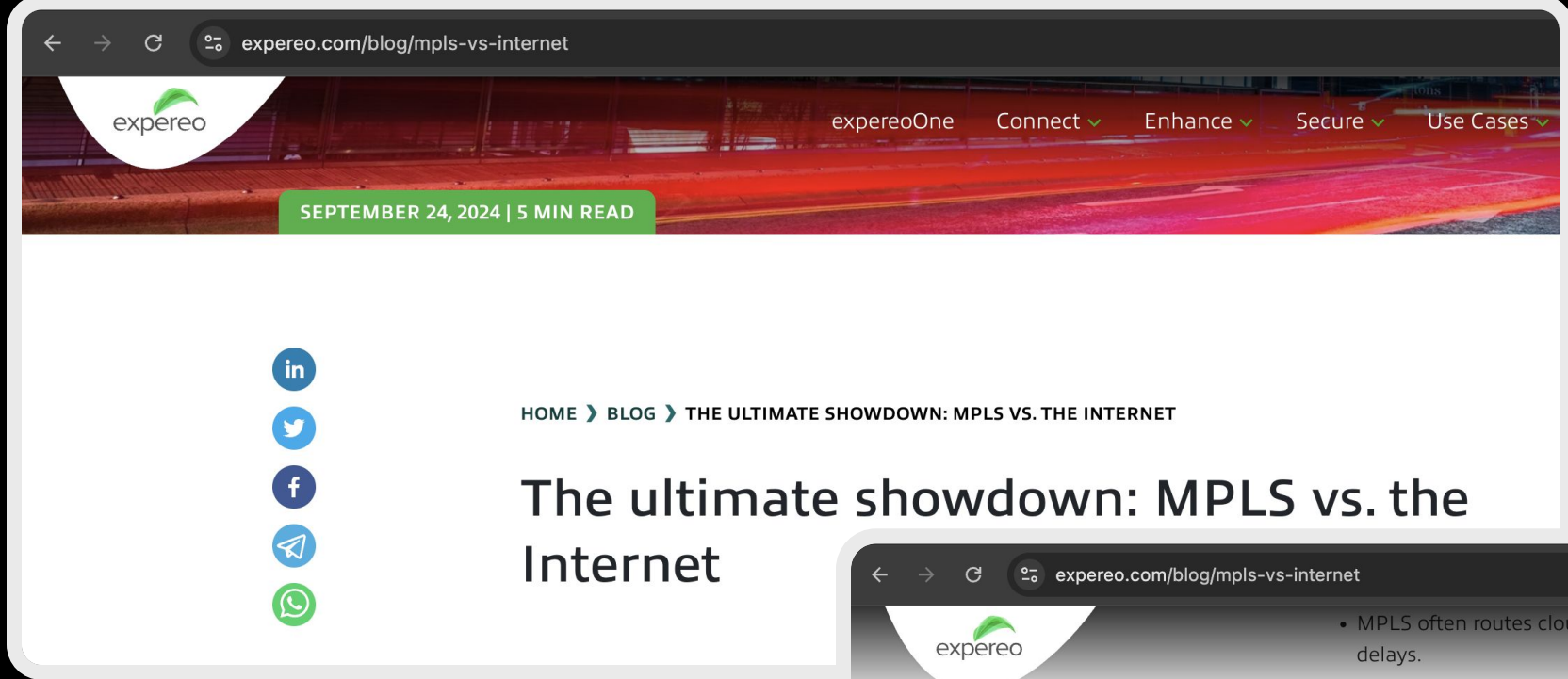
**#5. You can see lower performance with MPLS**

**#6. There's limited uptime**

**#7. MPLS requires the same service provider across the**

**network**





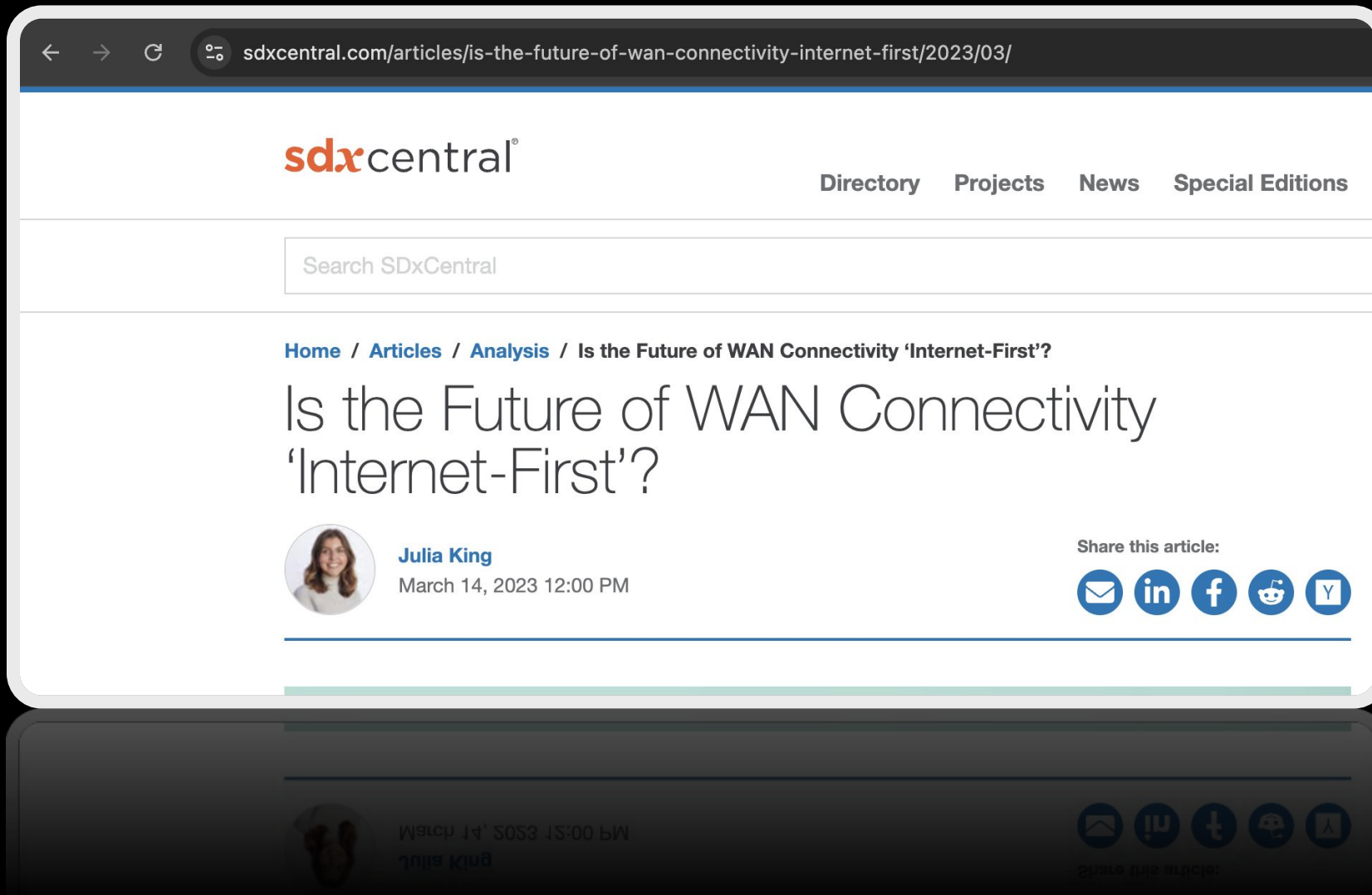


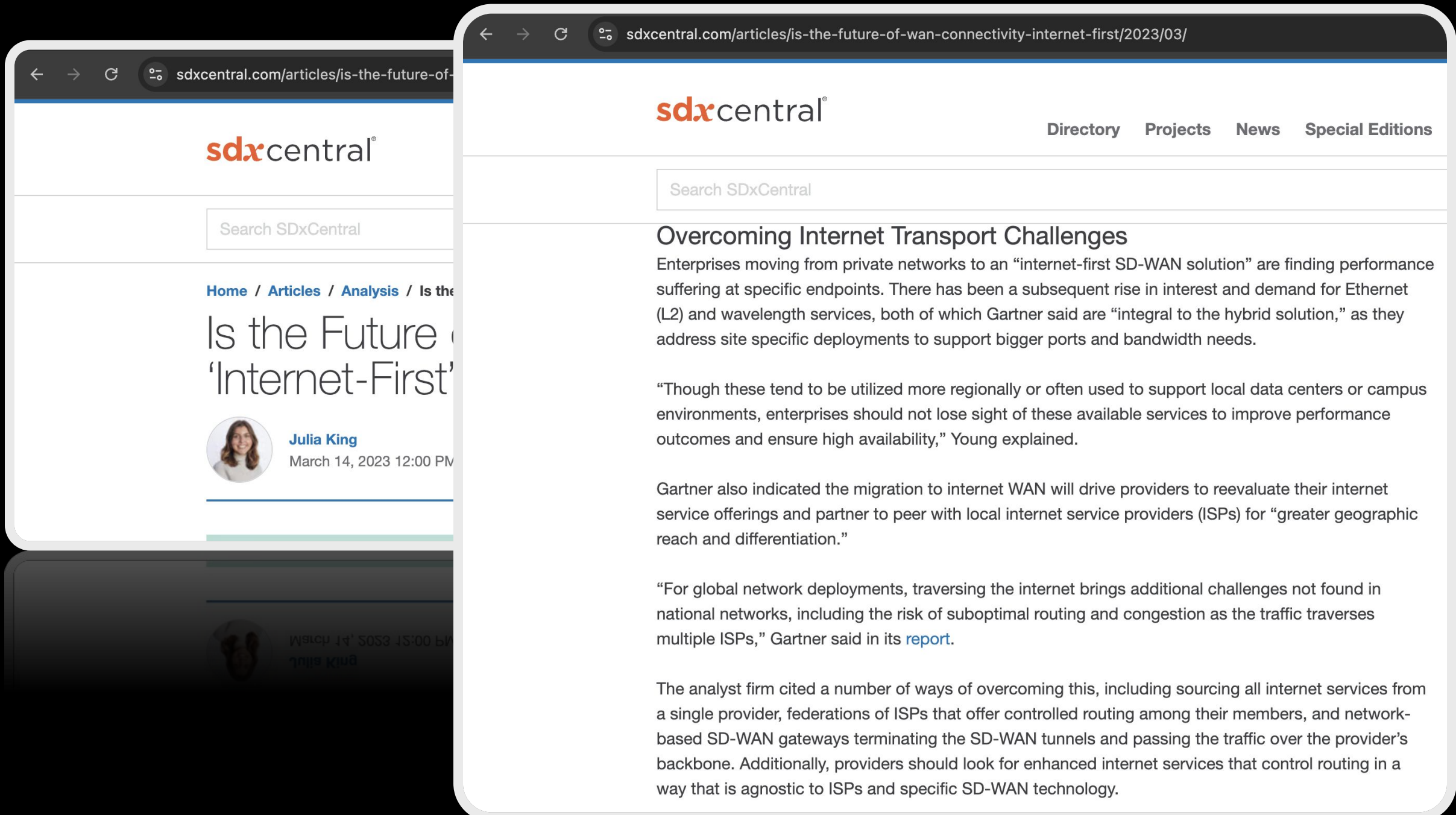
2. **Cost optimizations:** SD-WAN can significantly reduce networking costs by allowing organizations to use lower-cost broadband connections instead of expensive MPLS circuits. Many companies who make the switch will see a **reduction of about 30%** in network-related fees.

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- switch will see a **reduction of about 30%** in network-related fees.
- 3. **Scalability:** SD-WAN is easy to scale, so you can add new locations and increase bandwidth as needed without significant infrastructure investments.
- 4. **Flexibility:** SD-WAN is more flexible than MPLS, it can efficiently adapt to changing business needs so you can take advantage of new technologies.
- 5. **Cloud readiness:** SD-WAN is better suited for cloud-based applications, as it can route traffic directly to the cloud.
- 6. **Performance optimization:** SD-WAN can optimize network performance by dynamically routing traffic over the best available connection. This ensures a reliable and consistent service.







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## Overcoming Internet Transport Challenges

Enterprises moving from private networks to an “internet-first SD-WAN solution” are finding performance suffering at specific endpoints. There has been a subsequent rise in interest and demand for Ethernet (L2) and wavelength services, both of which Gartner said are “integral to the hybrid solution,” as they

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service offerings and partner to peer with local internet service providers (ISPs) for “greater geographic reach and differentiation.”

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The analyst firm cited a number of ways of overcoming this, including sourcing all internet services from a single provider, federations of ISPs that offer controlled routing among their members, and network-based SD-WAN gateways terminating the SD-WAN tunnels and passing the traffic over the provider’s backbone. Additionally, providers should look for enhanced internet services that control routing in a way that is agnostic to ISPs and specific SD-WAN technology.



# Gartner: changes in WAN requirements, SD-WAN/SASE assumptions and magic quadrant for network services

Posted on March 14, 2023 by Alan Weissberger

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Higher cost

Increased complexity

Reduced flexibility

Different providers have adopted different approaches from these options and

Providers who have developed a differentiated internet approach include BT, De

# Buenos Aires, AR to Bogota, CO

Source ISP	Destination ISP
AS16814 NSS S.A.	AS18678 INTERNEXA S.A. E.S.P

		Loss%	Snt	Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev	
1.	AS???	192.168.1.1	0.0%	5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.0
2.	AS16814	201.216.197.254	0.0%	5	2.3	2.2	1.6	2.8	0.0
3.	AS???	10.246.1.42	0.0%	5	3.1	2.5	1.8	3.1	0.0
4.	AS???	10.246.1.146	0.0%	5	2.2	5.7	2.2	11.7	3.9
5.	AS10834	200.51.217.105	0.0%	5	2.7	2.6	2.2	3.2	0.0
6.	AS12956	213.140.39.119	0.0%	5	8.4	5.9	1.5	10.5	3.9
7.	AS12956	213.140.39.118	0.0%	5	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.5	0.0
8.	AS12956	176.52.248.79	0.0%	5	24.7	24.6	23.9	25.5	0.5
9.	AS12956	5.53.3.75	0.0%	5	119.3	119.5	119.3	120.0	0.0
10.	AS12956	213.140.43.206	40.0%	5	120.4	120.3	120.0	120.4	0.0
11.	AS12956	216.184.112.139	0.0%	5	124.6	124.8	124.5	125.3	0.0
12.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15.	AS18678	179.1.128.161	80.0%	5	181.1	181.1	181.1	181.1	0.0
16.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



Buenos Aires, AR to Bogota, CO

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		Loss%	Snt	Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev
1.	AS???	192.168.1.1	0.0%	5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.7
2.	AS16814	201.216.197.254	0.0%	5	2.3	2.2	1.6	2.8
3.	AS???	10.246.1.42	0.0%	5	3.1	2.5	1.8	3.1
4.	AS???	10.246.1.146	0.0%	5	2.2	5.7	2.2	11.7
5.	AS10834	200.51.217.105	0.0%	5	2.7	2.6	2.2	3.2
6.	AS12956	213.140.39.119	0.0%	5	8.4	5.9	1.5	10.5
7.	AS12956	213.140.39.118	0.0%	5	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.5
8.	AS12956	176.52.248.79	0.0%	5	24.7	24.6	23.9	25.5
9.	AS12956	5.53.3.75	0.0%	5	119.3	119.5	119.3	120.0
10.	AS12956	213.140.43.206	40.0%	5	120.4	120.3	120.0	120.4
11.	AS12956	216.184.112.139	0.0%	5	124.6	124.8	124.5	125.3
12.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15.	AS18678	179.1.128.161	80.0%	5	181.1	181.1	181.1	181.1
16.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Suboptimal routing via  
Florida

Source ISP	Destination ISP
AS16814 NSS S.A.	AS13489 UNE EPM TELECOMUNICACIONES S.A.

		Loss%	Snt	Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev
1.	AS???	192.168.1.1	0.0%	5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.7
2.	AS16814	201.216.197.254	0.0%	5	2.2	2.1	1.6	2.6
3.	AS???	10.246.1.42	0.0%	5	2.5	2.3	1.8	2.7
4.	AS???	10.246.1.146	0.0%	5	2.0	3.8	2.0	9.7
5.	AS10834	200.51.217.105	0.0%	5	5.4	3.6	2.2	5.4
6.	AS12956	213.140.39.119	0.0%	5	2.3	2.5	2.3	3.0
7.	AS12956	213.140.39.118	0.0%	5	2.4	3.6	2.4	7.5
8.	AS12956	176.52.248.79	0.0%	5	24.2	25.6	24.2	29.8
9.	AS12956	5.53.3.75	0.0%	5	119.6	119.7	119.4	120.0
10.	AS12956	213.140.43.206	20.0%	5	120.3	120.5	120.3	120.6
11.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12.	AS13489	200.24.33.232	0.0%	5	155.4	155.8	155.4	156.4
13.	AS13489	200.24.33.235	0.0%	5	158.1	157.4	157.1	158.1
14.	AS13489	200.24.35.182	0.0%	5	174.5	175.4	174.5	177.0
15.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
16.	AS13489	190.71.133.201	0.0%	5	174.0	174.9	173.2	179.4
17.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



Buenos Aires, AR to Bogota, CO

Source ISP		Destination
AS16814 NSS S.A.		AS18

		Loss%
1. AS???	192.168.1.1	0.0%
2. AS16814	201.216.197.254	0.0%
3. AS???	10.246.1.42	0.0%
4. AS???	10.246.1.146	0.0%
5. AS10834	200.51.217.105	0.0%
6. AS12956	213.140.39.119	0.0%
7. AS12956	213.140.39.118	0.0%
8. AS12956	176.52.248.79	0.0%
9. AS12956	5.53.3.75	0.0%
10. AS12956	213.140.43.206	40.0%
11. AS12956	216.184.112.139	0.0%
12. AS???	???	100.0
13. AS???	???	100.0
14. AS???	???	100.0
15. AS18678	179.1.128.161	80.0%
16. AS???	???	100.0

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REGION: Florida

CITY: Jacksonville

ISP: Telxius Cable USA Inc.

ORGANIZATION: Not available

LATITUDE: 30.3321

LONGITUDE: -81.6557

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IP ADDRESS: 216.184.112.139

COUNTRY: United States

REGION: Florida

CITY: Miami

ISP: Not available

ORGANIZATION: AS12956 TELEFONICA GLOBAL SOLUTIONS SL

LATITUDE: 25.7743

LONGITUDE: -80.1937

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IP ADDRESS: 216.184.112.139

COUNTRY: United States

REGION: Florida

CITY: Jacksonville

ISP: Telefonica Global Solutions SL

ORGANIZATION: Telxius Cable USA, Inc.

LATITUDE: 25.7964

LONGITUDE: -81.6557

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Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev	
0.5	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.0	
2.2	2.1	1.6	2.6	0.0	
2.5	2.3	1.8	2.7	0.0	
2.0	3.8	2.0	9.7	3.2	
5.4	3.6	2.2	5.4	1.2	
2.3	2.5	2.3	3.0	0.0	
2.4	3.6	2.4	7.5	2.1	
24.2	25.6	24.2	29.8	2.3	
119.6	119.7	119.4	120.0	0.0	
120.3	120.5	120.3	120.6	0.0	
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
155.4	155.8	155.4	156.4	0.0	
158.1	157.4	157.1	158.1	0.0	
174.5	175.4	174.5	177.0	0.7	
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
174.0	174.9	173.2	179.4	2.5	
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

# Buenos Aires, AR to Bogota, CO

Source ISP	Destination ISP
AS16814 NSS S.A.	AS52468 Ufinet Colombia S. A.

Start: Tue Apr 29 18:44:28 2025

HOST: socket

		Loss%	Snt	Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev	
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2.	AS16814	201.216.197.254	0.0%	5	1.3	1.8	1.3	2.1	0.0
3.	AS???	10.246.1.42	0.0%	5	110.4	78.5	2.5	110.4	43.3
4.	AS???	10.246.1.146	0.0%	5	5.7	5.1	1.9	9.3	3.0
5.	AS10834	200.51.217.105	0.0%	5	13.6	6.3	2.1	13.6	4.4
6.	AS12956	213.140.39.119	0.0%	5	2.3	2.4	1.7	3.4	0.5
7.	AS12956	213.140.39.118	0.0%	5	2.3	2.5	1.9	2.9	0.0
8.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9.	AS12956	94.142.107.121	0.0%	5	2.3	2.7	2.3	3.5	0.0
10.	AS3549	200.189.207.162	0.0%	5	96.6	94.6	93.5	96.6	1.2
11.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12.	AS3549	200.49.4.198	40.0%	5	99.0	99.4	99.0	99.6	0.0
13.	AS3549	204.199.115.178	0.0%	5	143.8	146.2	138.8	154.9	5.8
14.	AS52468	181.78.24.145	0.0%	5	138.5	139.6	137.7	141.7	1.5
15.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> -x 200.189.207.162
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;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 65301
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

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; EDNS: version: 0, flags;; udp: 1232
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;162.207.189.200.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; ANSWER SECTION:
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Suboptimal routing via Brazil

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Source ISP	Destination ISP
AS16814 NSS S.A.	AS52468 Ufinet

Start: Tue Apr 29 18:44:28 2025				
HOST: socket				
	Loss%	Snt	L	
1. AS???	192.168.1.1	0.0%	5	
2. AS16814	201.216.197.254	0.0%	5	
3. AS???	10.246.1.42	0.0%	5	11
4. AS???	10.246.1.146	0.0%	5	
5. AS10834	200.51.217.105	0.0%	5	1
6. AS12956	213.140.39.119	0.0%	5	
7. AS12956	213.140.39.118	0.0%	5	
8. AS???	???	100.0	5	
9. AS12956	94.142.107.121	0.0%	5	
10. AS3549	200.189.207.162	0.0%	5	9
11. AS???	???	100.0	5	
12. AS3549	200.49.4.198	40.0%	5	9
13. AS3549	204.199.115.178	0.0%	5	14
14. AS52468	181.78.24.145	0.0%	5	13
15. AS???	???	100.0	5	0


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 COUNTRY: Brazil 


 REGION: Sao Paulo

 CITY: Sao Paulo

 ISP: Cirion Technologies do Brasil Ltda.


 ORGANIZATION: Not available

 LATITUDE: -23.5471

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 ISP: Not available


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 LATITUDE: -23.5475

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 REGION: São Paulo

 REGION: São Paulo

 ISP: Level 3 Communications, Inc.


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# Nairobi, KE to Johannesburg, ZA

Source ISP	Destination ISP
AS37061 Safaricom Limited	AS3741 Dimension Data

			Loss%	Snt	Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev
1.	AS37061	197.248.144.216	0.0%	5	1.6	2.3	1.6	3.9	0.5
2.	AS33771	196.201.222.252	0.0%	5	7.0	8.3	6.8	13.7	3.0
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3.	AS33771	196.201.222.253	0.0%	5	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.8	0.0
4.	AS5384	195.229.27.213	80.0%	5	156.7	156.7	156.7	156.7	0.0
5.	AS5384	5.195.70.166	0.0%	5	130.2	130.6	130.2	130.9	0.0
6.	AS5384	195.229.2.95	0.0%	5	150.0	147.3	146.5	150.0	1.4
7.	AS???	80.81.193.173	0.0%	5	192.9	193.2	192.8	194.1	0.0
8.	AS3741	168.209.0.53	0.0%	5	195.3	196.1	194.8	197.8	1.0
9.	AS3741	168.209.201.94	0.0%	5	208.0	207.9	207.5	208.2	0.0
10.	AS3741	168.209.100.145	0.0%	5	207.6	208.8	207.5	213.5	2.6
11.	AS3741	196.38.76.0	0.0%	5	207.6	207.6	207.3	207.8	0.0
12.	AS3741	196.38.76.15	0.0%	5	207.5	207.7	207.5	208.2	0.0
13.	AS3741	196.213.163.9	0.0%	5	216.3	216.9	215.6	218.7	1.0
14.	AS???	???	100.0	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



# Nairobi, KE to Johannesburg, ZA

Source ISP	Destination ISP
AS37061 Safaricom Limited	AS3741 Dimension Data

			Loss%	Snt	Last	Avg	Best	Wrst	StDev
1.	AS37061	197.248.144.216	0.0%	5	1.6	2.3	1.6	3.9	0.5
2.	AS33771	196.201.222.252	0.0%	5	7.0	8.3	6.8	13.7	3.0
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3.	AS33771	196.201.222.253	0.0%	5	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.8	0.0
4.	AS5384	195.229.27.213	80.0%	5	156.7	156.7	156.7	156.7	0.0
5.	AS5384	5.195.70.166	0.0%	5	130.2	130.6	130.2	130.9	0.0
6.	AS5384	195.229.2.95	0.0%	5	150.0	147.3	146.5	150.0	1.4
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Suboptimal routing via Germany & UAE

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; <<>> DiG 9.10.6 <<>> -x 80.81.193.173
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 44160
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags;; udp: 1232
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;173.193.81.80.in-addr.arpa. IN PTR

;; ANSWER SECTION:
173.193.81.80.in-addr.arpa. 43200 IN PTR ar1-fra.isnet.net.
```



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Geolocation data fromIP2LocationProduct: DB6, 2025-5-1

IP ADDRESS: 195.229.27.213

COUNTRY: United Arab Emirates

REGION: Dubayy

CITY: Dubai

ISP: Emirates Telecommunications Group Company (Etisalat Group) PJSC

ORGANIZATION: Not available

LATITUDE: 25.2585

LONGITUDE: 55.3047

Incorrect location?

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Geolocation data fromipinfo.ioProduct: API, real-time

IP ADDRESS: 195.229.27.213

COUNTRY: United Arab Emirates

REGION: Fujairah

CITY: Al Fujairah City

ISP: Not available

ORGANIZATION: AS8966 EMIRATES TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP COMPANY (ETISALAT GROUP) PJSC

LATITUDE: 25.1164

LONGITUDE: 56.3414

Incorrect location?

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Geolocation data fromDB-IPProduct: API, real-time

IP ADDRESS: 195.229.27.213

COUNTRY: United Arab Emirates

REGION: Abu Dhabi

CITY: Abu Dhabi

ISP: Emirates Telecommunications Corporation

ORGANIZATION: Emirates Telecommunications Group Company (Etisalat Group) Pjsc

LATITUDE: 24.4539

LONGITUDE: 54.3773

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Geolocation data from IP2Location Product: DB6, 2025-5-1


 IP ADDRESS: 80.81.193.173


 COUNTRY: Germany 


 REGION: Hessen

 CITY: Frankfurt am Main

 ISP: DE-CIX Management GmbH


 ORGANIZATION: Not available

 LATITUDE: 50.1109


 LONGITUDE: 8.6820



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 COUNTRY: Germany 


 REGION: Hesse

 CITY: Frankfurt Am Main

 ISP: Not available


 ORGANIZATION: Not available

 LATITUDE: 50.1155


 LONGITUDE: 8.6842



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 COUNTRY: Germany 


 REGION: North Rhine-Westphalia

 CITY: Cologne (Ehrenfeld, Cologne)

 ISP: CIX Management GmbH


 ORGANIZATION: DE-CIX Management GmbH

 LATITUDE: 50.9485

 LONGITUDE: 6.90934

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Product: DB6, 2025-5-1

Emirates Telecommunications Group Company (Etisalat Group) PJSC

ANIZATION: Not available

ITUDE: 25.2585

SITUDE: 55.3047

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Product: API, real-time

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Emirates Telecommunications Corporation

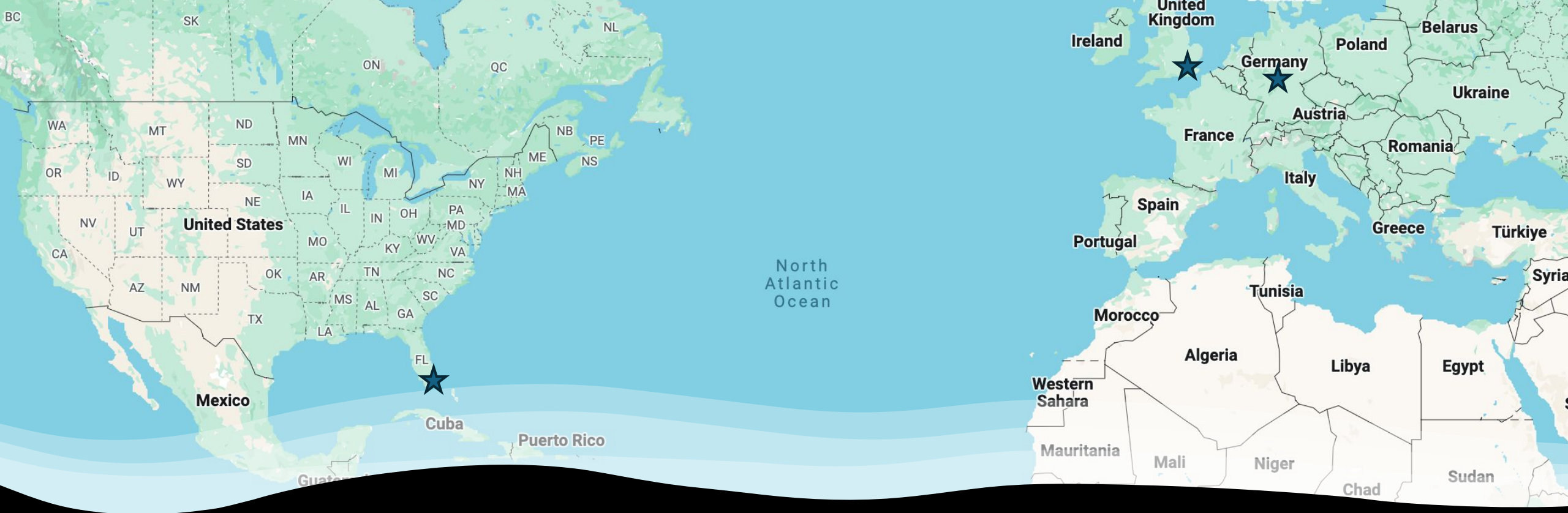
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- Commonly reappearing peering points – ***Frankfurt & London for Africa and Middle East, Miami for LATAM***
- Increasing use of SD-WAN with Internet underlay resulting in new load to these POPs
- Significant current and increasing risk of path saturation



The Internet is  
not always a  
capable  
transport  
replacement...



Long live  
SD-WAN!

## **The World Has Changed – But SD-WAN Isn't Dead**

- SD-WAN is widely adopted, but it's not always a plug-and-play solution
- Many assumptions about global Internet performance are assumed or overstated

## **Suboptimal Routing is the Hidden Threat**

- High latency, jitter result in degraded application performance

## **Reimagining SD-WAN is the Key**

- Use well-peered content delivery networks to bridge inter-regional or inter-carrier gaps
- Leverage providers with POP-to-POP architectures for proximity and speed
- Tap into cloud-native backbone infrastructure from providers like AWS, Azure, Google

## Evolve or Fall Behind

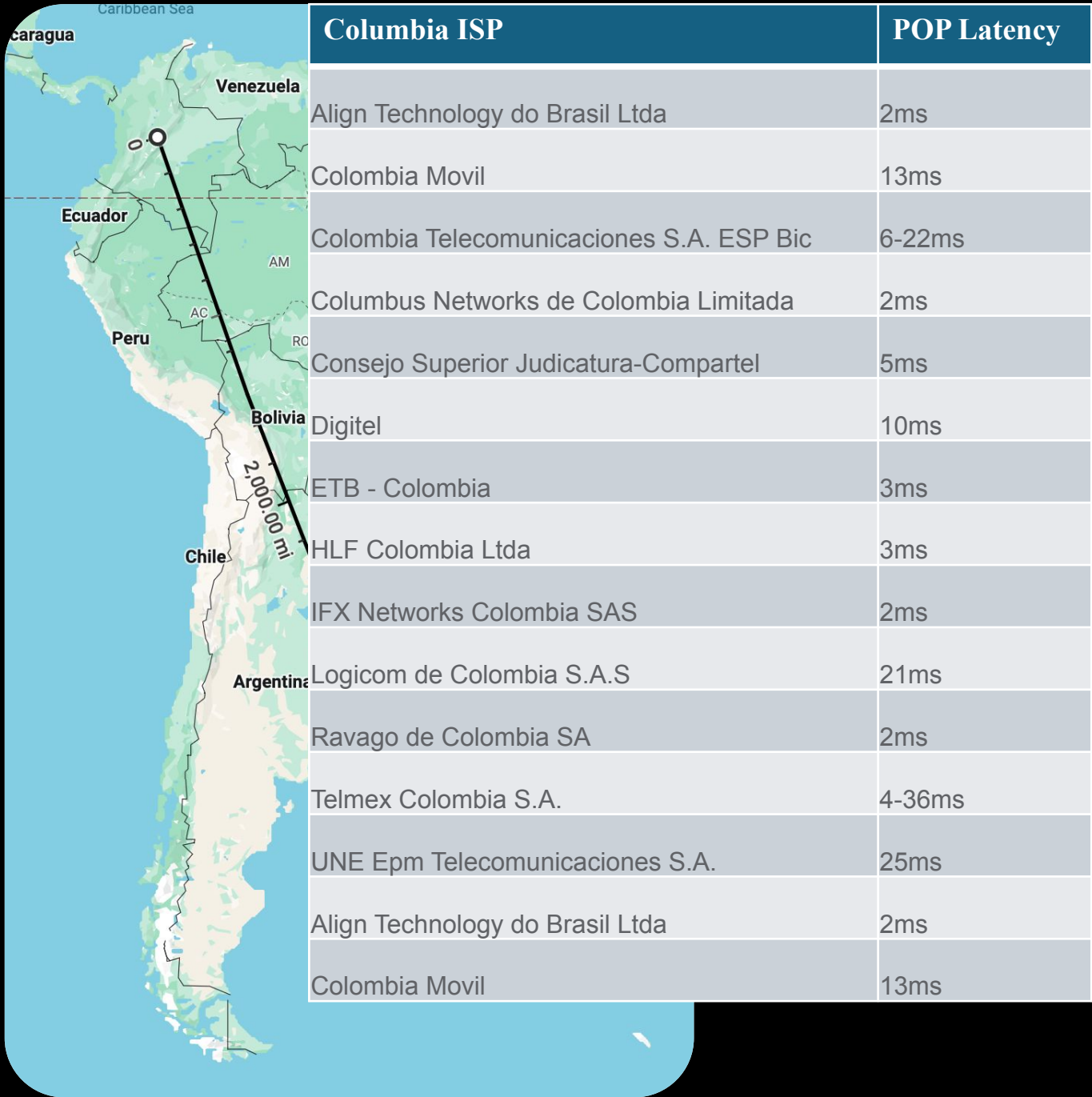
- Enterprises must expand their SD-WAN strategies with geography and routing in mind
- Leverage dynamic path steering and regional intelligence to get more complete SD-WAN value
- The future is intelligent, adaptive SD-WAN — not abandoned SD-WAN.





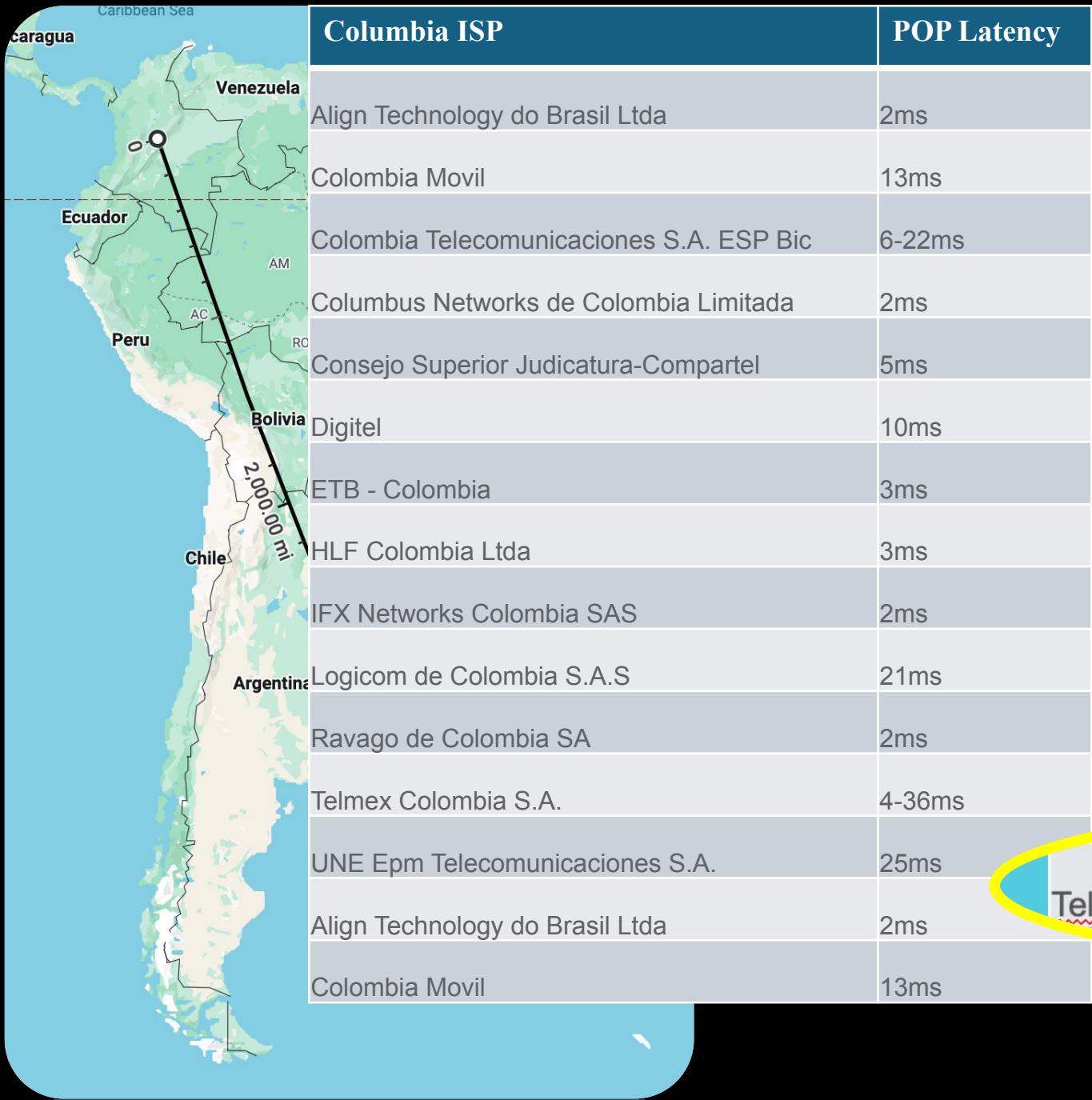


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Cabelma S.A.	30ms
Comnet S.A.	23ms
CPS	24ms
CTL LATAM	21ms
Estrella Jorge Alberto	54ms
Horizon High Reach Limited	32ms
NSS S.A.	23-29ms
Persano SA	25ms
Ravago Argentina S.r.l.	25ms
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Techtel LMDS Comunicaciones Interactivas S.A.	38ms
Telecentro S.A. - Clientes Residenciales	229ms
Telecom Argentina S.A.	23-39ms
Telefonica de Argentina	23-48ms
Telmex Argentina S.A.	28-33ms



***POP to POP ~70ms***  
***RTT ~95-115ms (35% reduction)***

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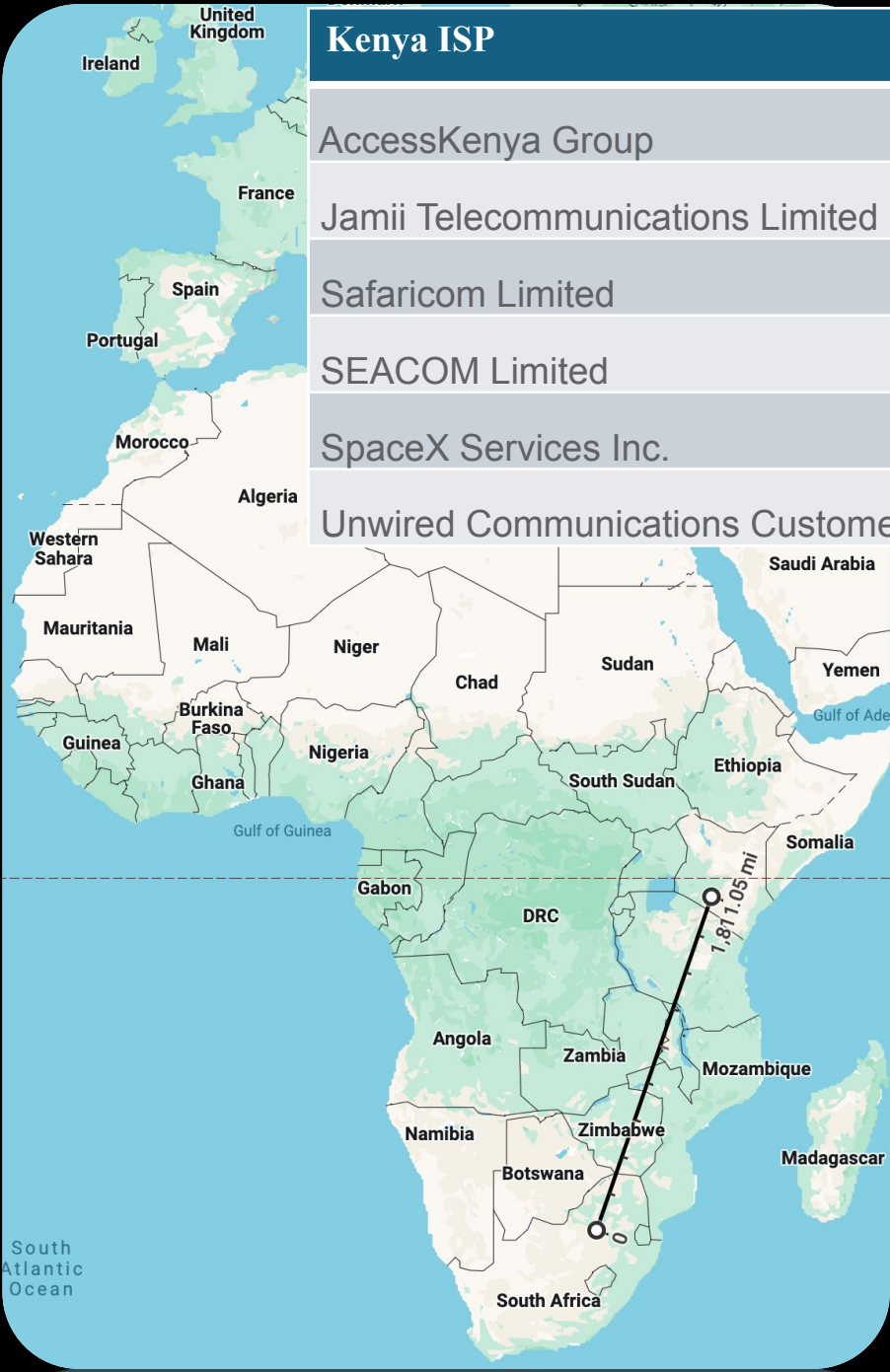
Not always perfect...

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Clear Access (Pty) Ltd	2-6ms
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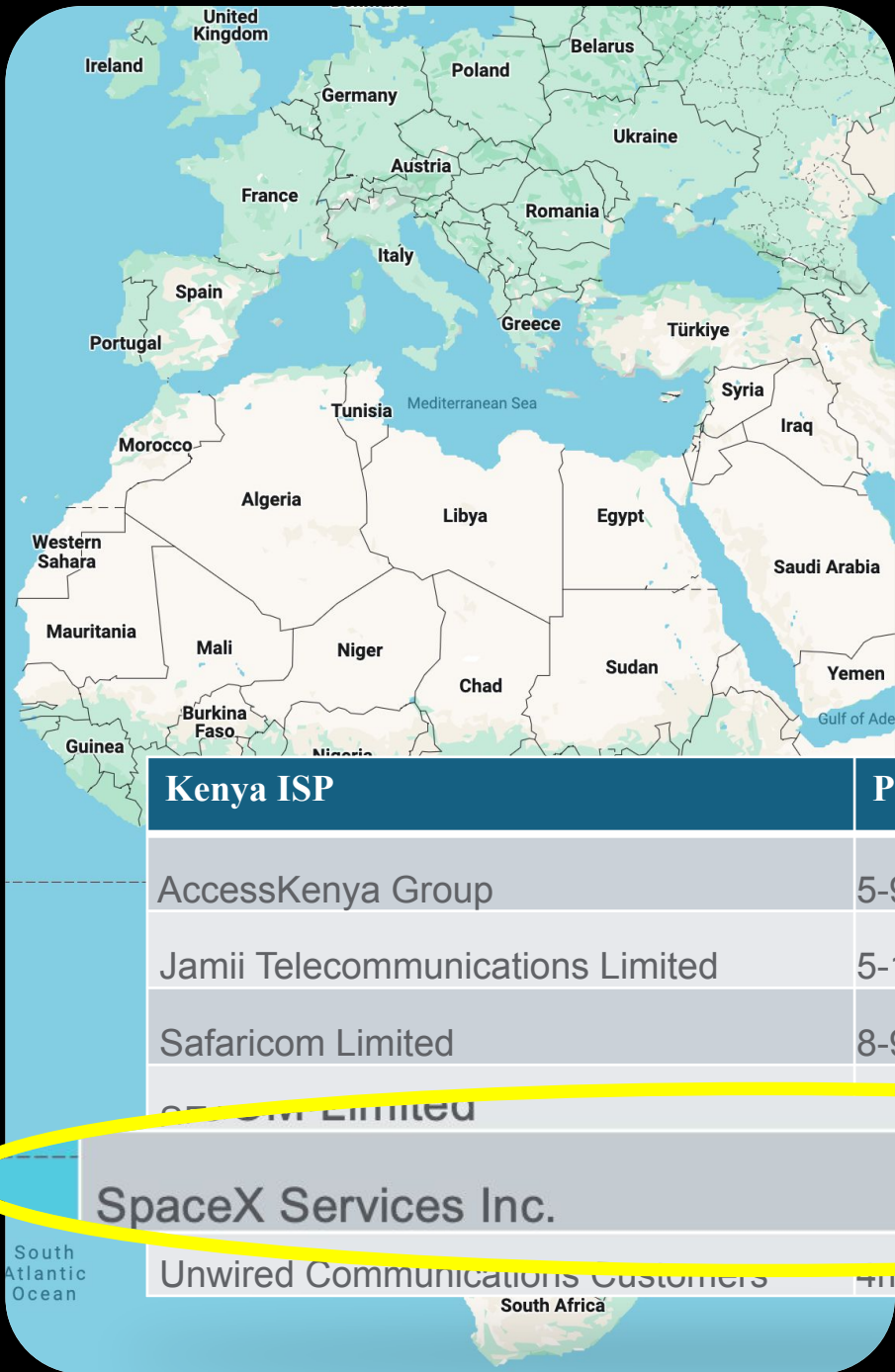


Kenya ISP	POP Latency
AccessKenya Group	5-9ms
Jamii Telecommunications Limited	5-10ms
Safaricom Limited	8-9ms
SEACOM Limited	14ms
SpaceX Services Inc.	18-42ms
Unwired Communications Customers	4ms

***POP to POP ~55ms***  
***RTT ~75-105ms (50% reduction)***

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Afrihost (Pty) Ltd	3-104ms
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*Still not perfect...*

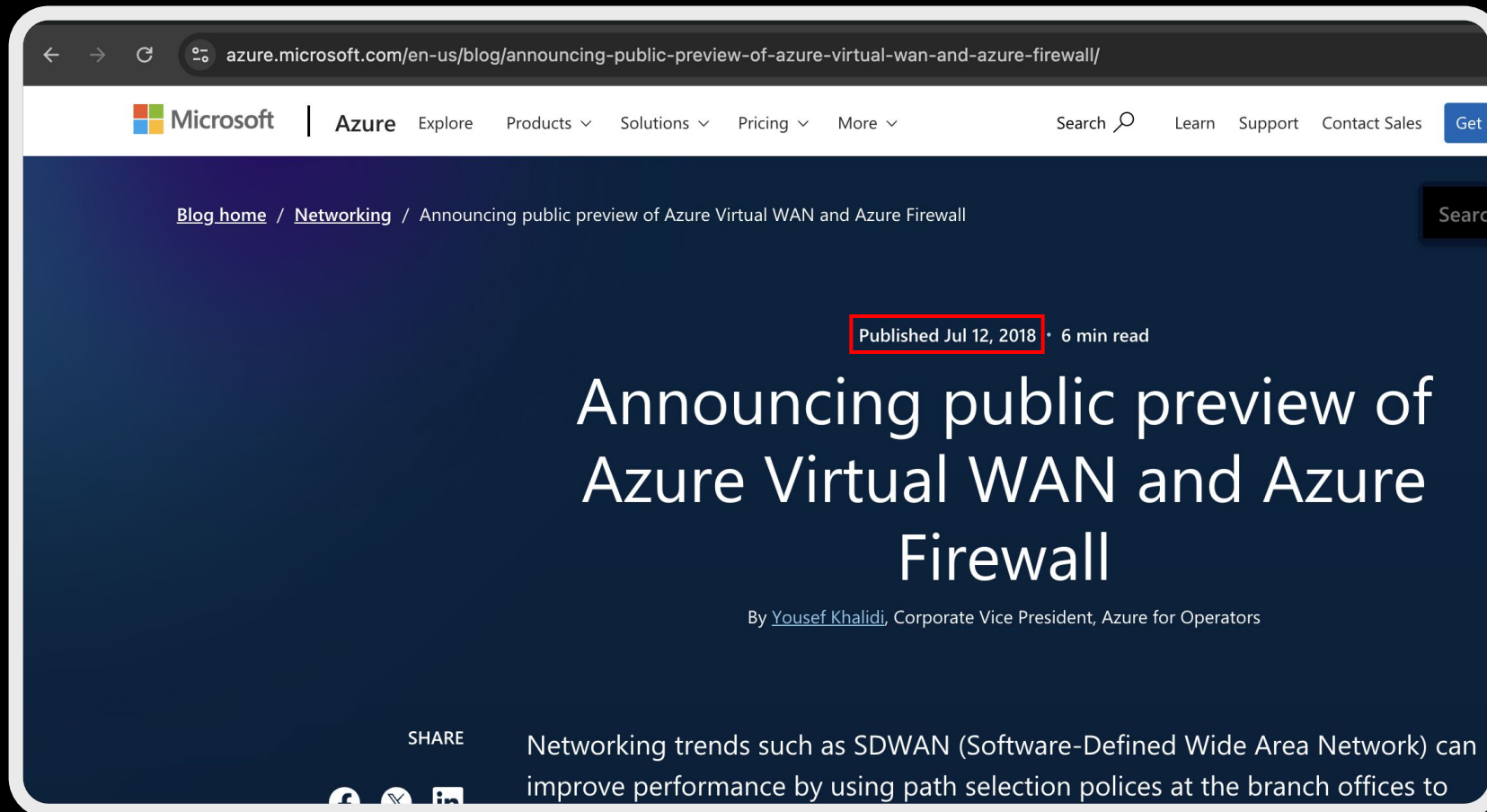
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*And new variables....*

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BTW, the major public cloud providers are catching on...

First out of the  
gate!



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Some can even transit across Chinese borders!

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## Understanding Alibaba Cloud Network – New Product Launch at the Apsara Conference 2020


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This article discusses the three core cloud network products released at the Apsara Conference 2020 and how enterprises can use them to migrate applications to the cloud smoothly.


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By [Alibaba Cloud\\_Network](#)

On September 18, 2020, Zhu Shunmin, Director of the Networking Products Team and Basic Product Business Unit at Alibaba Cloud, launched a series of [new products for the cloud network](#) at the Apsara Conference 2020.

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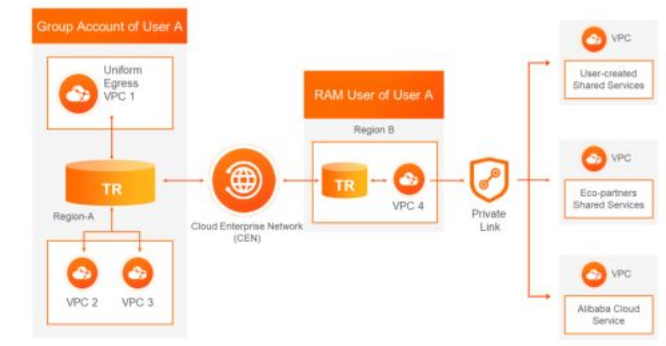
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## Release 1: Enterprise Cloud Network

### Release of CEN-TR (Transit Router) and Commercialization of Private Link





**Benefits**


- Easy Maintenance
- Large-scale Virtual Private Cloud (VPC) Interconnection
- Enhanced Security
- Flexible Access Control


### CEN-TR

Transit Router (TR) is a new component in the [Cloud Enterprise Network](#) (CEN) and an enterprise-level virtual router. Today, many users have built a global network integrating on-cloud and off-cloud applications and deployed complex business systems based on Alibaba Cloud. CEN-TR enables enterprises to control routers in a fine-grained manner, including routers deployed between on-cloud VPCs, and between on-cloud VPC and off-cloud IDC, ensuring security isolation.

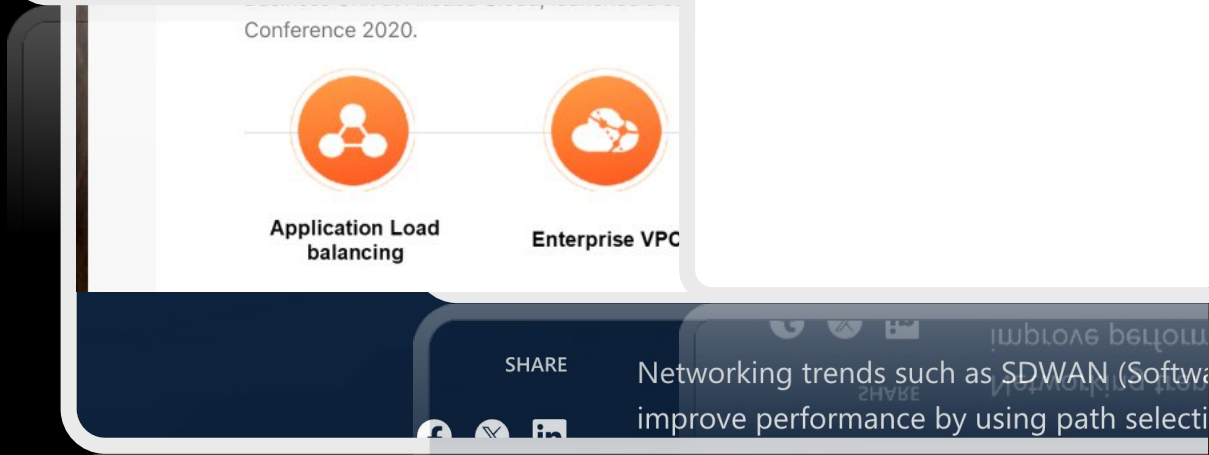
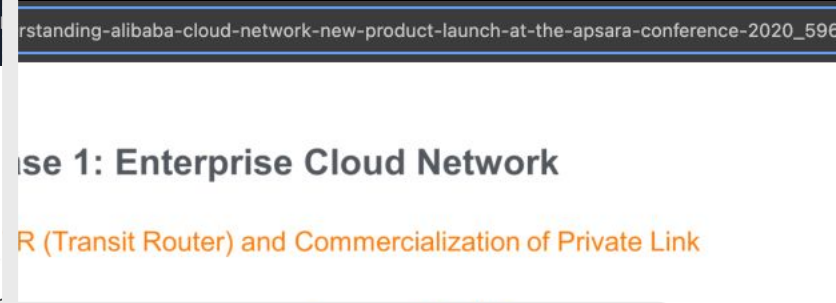
**OSS cloud services**

**DTS cloud services**

**Shanghai VPC**

**Shanghai VPC**





VPC and off-cloud DC ensuring security isolation.

The diagram illustrates a security isolation setup. On the left, there are two orange cloud icons representing 'OSS cloud services' and 'DTS cloud services'. On the right, there are two orange cloud icons representing 'Shanghai VPC'. A dashed vertical line separates the cloud services from the VPCs, indicating a security boundary. Arrows point from the cloud services to the VPCs, showing data flow.

gateway/  
-cloud-wan/

...some are slower than others

The image is a collage of overlapping browser windows. The primary window in the center is a Google Cloud blog post titled "Cloud WAN: Connect your global enterprise with a network built for the AI era", dated April 9, 2025. The post is categorized under "Networking". To the left, a portion of the AWS website is visible, showing the "aws.amazon.com/about-aws/whats-new/2018/11/introducing-aws-transit-gateway/" URL. Below the main article, there's a banner for "Google Cloud Next 25" and a sidebar with links to "Application Load balancing" and "Enterprise VPC". At the bottom, there are social media share buttons and a section titled "Networking trends such as SDWAN (Software Defined Wide Area Network) improve performance by using path selection". To the right, another window shows the "AWS Cloud WAN" product page, which describes it as a "WAN service that helps you build, manage, and secure your global network". Below this, there are icons for "OSS cloud services", "DTS cloud services", and "Shanghai VPC".

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## Cloud Network

Commercialization of Private Link

### AWS Cloud WAN

(WAN) service that helps you build, manage, and secure your global network across AWS Regions by using Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

network that spans multiple locations across AWS Regions by using Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

networks—removing the need to configure and manage different networks individually by using different technologies. You can use your network policies to specify which of your Amazon Virtual Private Clouds, AWS Transit Gateways, and on-premises locations you want to connect to by using an AWS Site-to-Site VPN, AWS Direct Connect, or third-party software-defined WAN (SD-WAN) products. The Cloud WAN central dashboard generates a complete view of the network to help you monitor network health, security, and performance. Cloud WAN automatically creates a global network across AWS Regions by using Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)

VPC and off-cloud IDC, ensuring security isolation

OSS cloud services

DTS cloud services

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Shanghai VPC



*SD-WAN is dead, long live  
SD-WAN!*

Thank  
you!