# GARR Italian Academic and Research Community IPv6 "state of the art"

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# At the beginning...



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- Italian research community in 6bone: a loose presence
- Ipv6 research only in the labs
- A fundamental experience
- GARR gathered the researchers' efforts in the 6NET project
- A magic evolution during the last 2 years

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# Italian participation in 610t



### GARR in 6NET

- A complex participation:
  GARR coordinates 12 local partners
- We are partecipate in many activities in the project
- A native network using ATM pvc
- Users connected in native mode using dedicated pvc, sometimes dual-stack in users side.

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Universities and research institutes involved in 6net with GARR

- Bologna INFN CNAF Þ Università di Bologna Milan >Università di Milano Turin Politecnico di Torino Pisa CNR IIT 🕨 Università di Pisa
- Ferrara Università di Ferrara Florence Università di Firenze Rome 🕨 Università di Roma III INFN Roma1 CASPUR Naples Þ Università di Napoli Bari Università di Bari

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## Naming and addressing

6net.garr.it (IPv4 and IPv6) 6net.garr.net (IPv4 and IPv6) ip6.arpa reverse resolution 6net services (web, mailing) BackBone P2P, loopbacks

#### Example of User naming:

cnr.6net.garr.it caspur.6net.garr.it cnaf.6net.garr.it CNR / IIT CASPUR INFN CNAF

primary dns CNR secondary GARR primary dns CASPUR secondary GARR primary dns CNAF secondary GARR

#### GARR allocation: 2001:760::/32

2001:760::/35 is used for 6NET

#### Example of User Address space allocation:

#### **ROMA PoP**

GARR CASPUR University of Roma Tre University of Napoli University of Bari 2001:760::/40 2001:760::/48 2001:760:2::/48 2001:760:4::/48 2001:760:6::/48 2001:760:8::/48

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#### http://www.6net.garr.it



## The GARR dual-stack Pilot



#### Going towards an Ipv6 production network

- We are involved in the Geant Ipv6 TaskForce, following the Geant roadmap
- Our Pilot plan is in 3 stages:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> stage: the Network
    2<sup>nd</sup> stage: the Routing
    3<sup>rd</sup> stage: the Users

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# 1<sup>st</sup> Stage: Step by step

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Step (now)

- Turn on dual-stack on the Ipv4 production network
- Core routers are involved
- Cisco 12XXX and Juniper M20
- No Users, test with dedicated machines



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# GARR-B lpv4 Network



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# 1<sup>st</sup> Stage: Step by step

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Step (feb 2003)

- Core 6net circuits will be replaced
- Geant pilot connection
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Step (Starting from the 2 quarter 2003)
- The whole network will be involved
- The risk: Cisco 75XX access routers with high traffic

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#### 6NET: A peaceful coexistence

Some 155Mbps ATM circuits will be replaced

#### 2.5 Gbps circuits will be used

Static routing

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## Avoiding the waste

2001:760:FFFF::/48 dedicated to routers addressing

- PoP /56
  Router /64
- Point-to-point /126
- Loopback /128
- Management LAN /64

Backbone point-to-point addressing 2001:0760:FFFF:FFFF:/64

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### Avoiding the waste

#### PoP:

Roma Milano Bologna Napoli Pisa 2001:760:FFFF:/56 2001:760:FFFF:0100::/56 2001:760:FFFF:0200::/56 2001:760:FFFF:0300::/56



Addressing examples:

#### Roma RTG

2001:760:FFFF::/64 2001:760:FFFF:: /128 Loopback from: 2001:760:FFFF::10/126 point-to-point

#### Roma-Pisa

2001:760:FFFF:FFFF::0/126

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### In OSPF we trust

- OSPFv2 stable and reliable in our IPv4 network
- > Testing of OSPFv3
- Static routing during the first steps
- Waiting for a stable Cisco IOS version with OSPFv3 (12.0.(24)S ???)

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#### BGP

Change of BGP command format : moving to 'address-family' style

BGP v6 should follow BGP v4 topology: Core full-mesh and route-reflectorclient structure

Late in the pilot

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## **Users & Applications**



## Dear students, we want you!

- Bologna University switched all students' Computer Science labs to Ipv6; Roma3 is doing the same.
- We are arranging Ipv6 tutorials inside Universities and Research institutes:
  - Turin, Rome, Florence: done (~100 attending each one of them)



Bari, Milan: in February and March

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# Is Quake the 'Killer application'?

► No!

- Need of users' presence
- No sensible traffic
- Old version of Quake available for free, no good WAN performance



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# Looking for a 'killer application'

- Network Storage environment should be it
- We have started a collaboration with the University of Tennessee (Logistical Networking Project)
- We are building an Ipv6 Logistical infrastructure on our current 6net topology.

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### How to 'kill'

- Generating IPv6 traffic without users' presence.
- Involving IPv4 users with an underlying IPv6 infrastructure. (a web page on a dual-stack server)
- Building an IPv6 platform for content delivering that it provides an easy service with coherency and replica consistency.

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