

Multi Service Network as a key pillar of digital rail operations

Benoit Leridon
RAILLIVE Madrid
Nov 27th 2025

NOKIA

Key drivers for rail operators

Maintain **safety** as the highest priority

- Monitor assets to provide proactive maintenance
- Better control of trains
- Leverage video to detect anomalies
- Protect passengers with CCTV

Active reduction of carbon emission

- Extend lines to reach new areas
- Automate trains to increase their frequency
- Optimize use of all assets from an energy perspective

Make rail travel easier with **new services**

- Better passenger information with more accuracy and multiple channels
- Better on-board internet connection
- More data associated with ticket purchase

Digitization and automation

The impact of digitization for rail operators networks

Increase the number of end points sensors

- Increase T2G connectivity (FRMCS, CBTC)
- More network endpoints with mix of wired and wireless connectivity
- Seamless service definition from end point to application

Facilitate data exchange

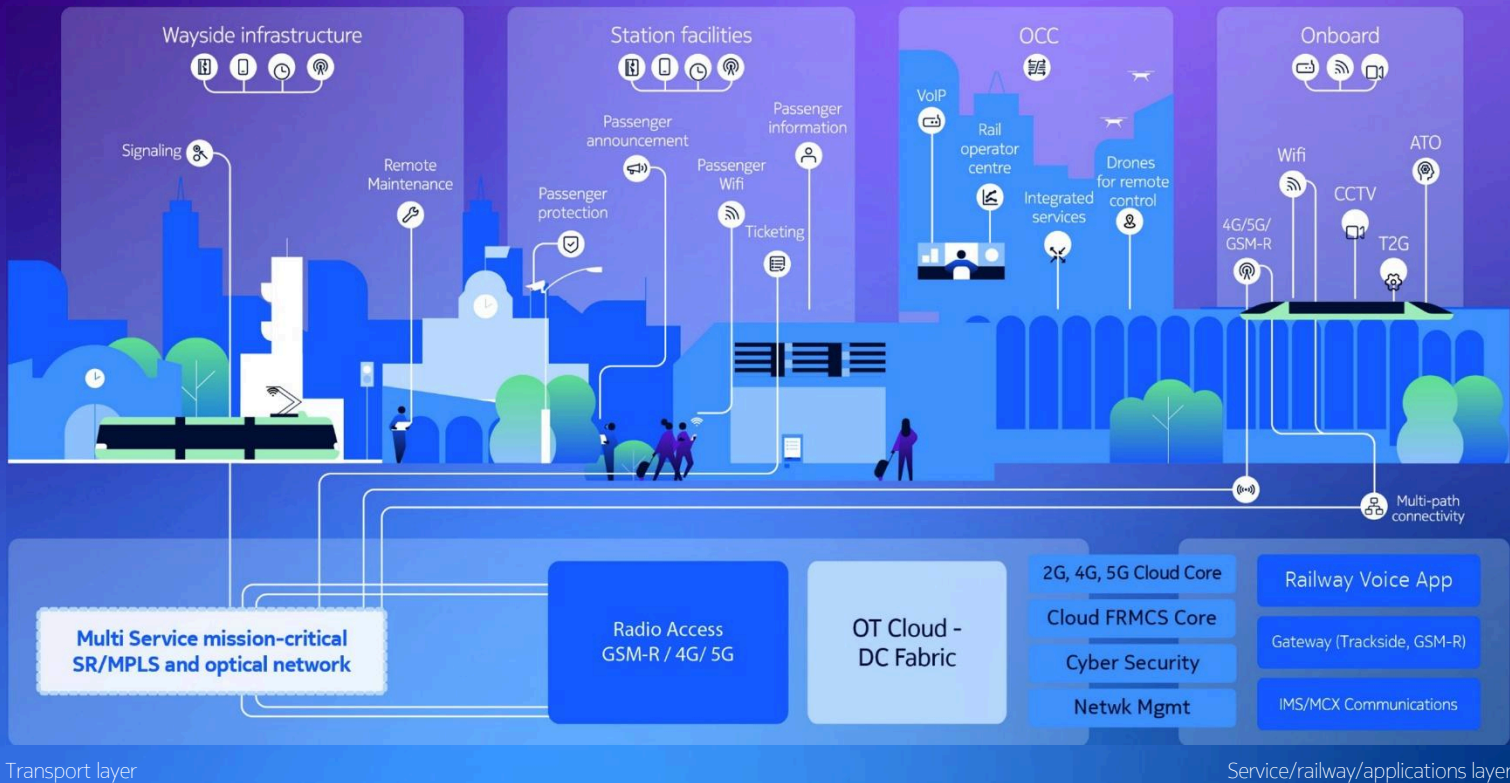
- Larger bandwidth everywhere for CCTV
- Larger DC for central data store (Data Lake)
- AI-capable data center infrastructure with scalable architecture

Secure data

- Ensure 99,999% availability
- Zero-trust in access
- Secure data everywhere
- Opened but secured data-lake for ecosystem interaction

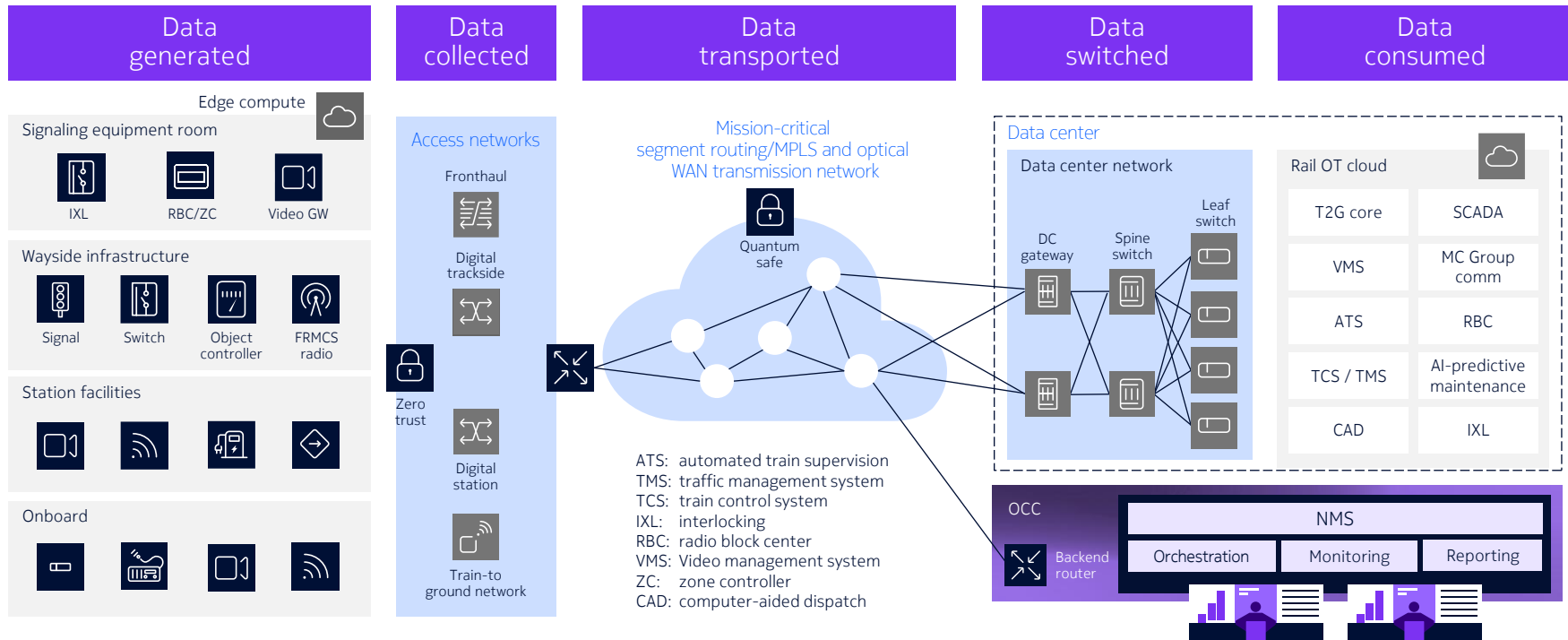
Large, reliable, flexible network and DC

Nokia solutions for railway



End-to-end, mission-critical transmission network for rail

Seamlessly connecting sensors, data, systems and software



Minimizing network downtimes for improved train service

Physical design

- Ensure network path divergence
- Avoid common mode failures with fiber inventory
- Interaction WDM/MPLS

Logical design

- Ensure redundancy protocols from core to access
- Ensure Industrial Ethernet integration

Software quality

- Rely on trusted and measured software quality
- Compare software lifecycle to avoid frequent upgrades

Mission-critical products

- Fully redundant (data and control plane) hardware
- Hitless failover
- In-service software update

Easy HW operations

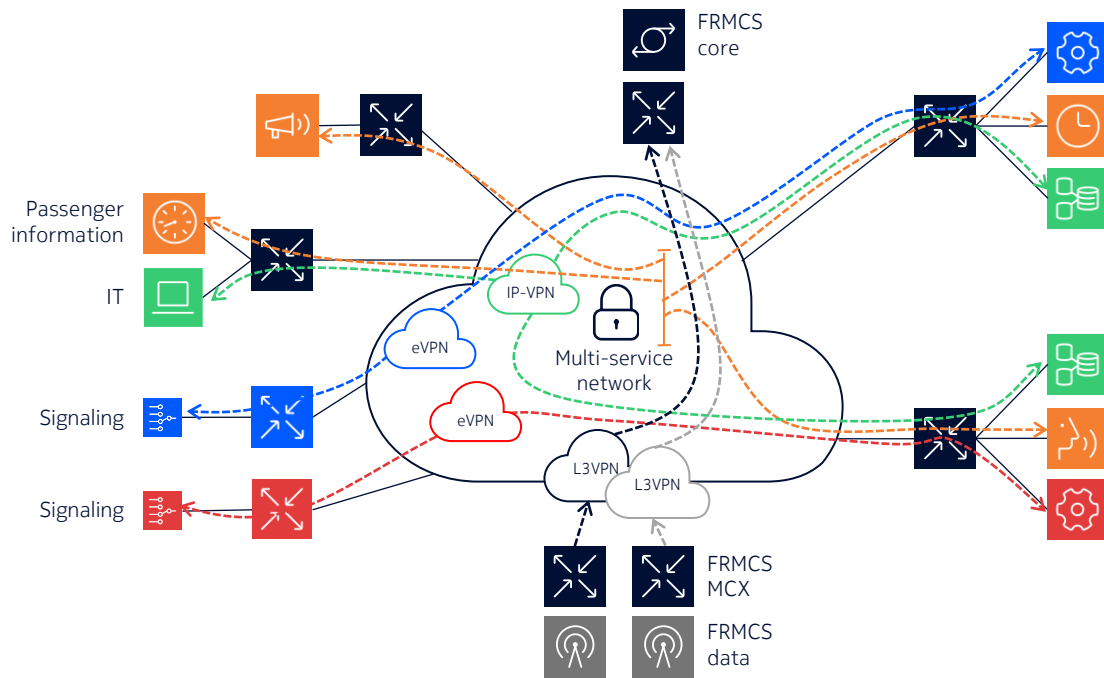
- Front access for all components on routers
- Fanless or Modular and accessible Fan and fan filters

Monitor - Automate

- Easy root cause detection and trouble shooting
- Failure anticipation via reports and thresholds
- Automation and Digital twin for human error reduction.

Providing segmentation to applications

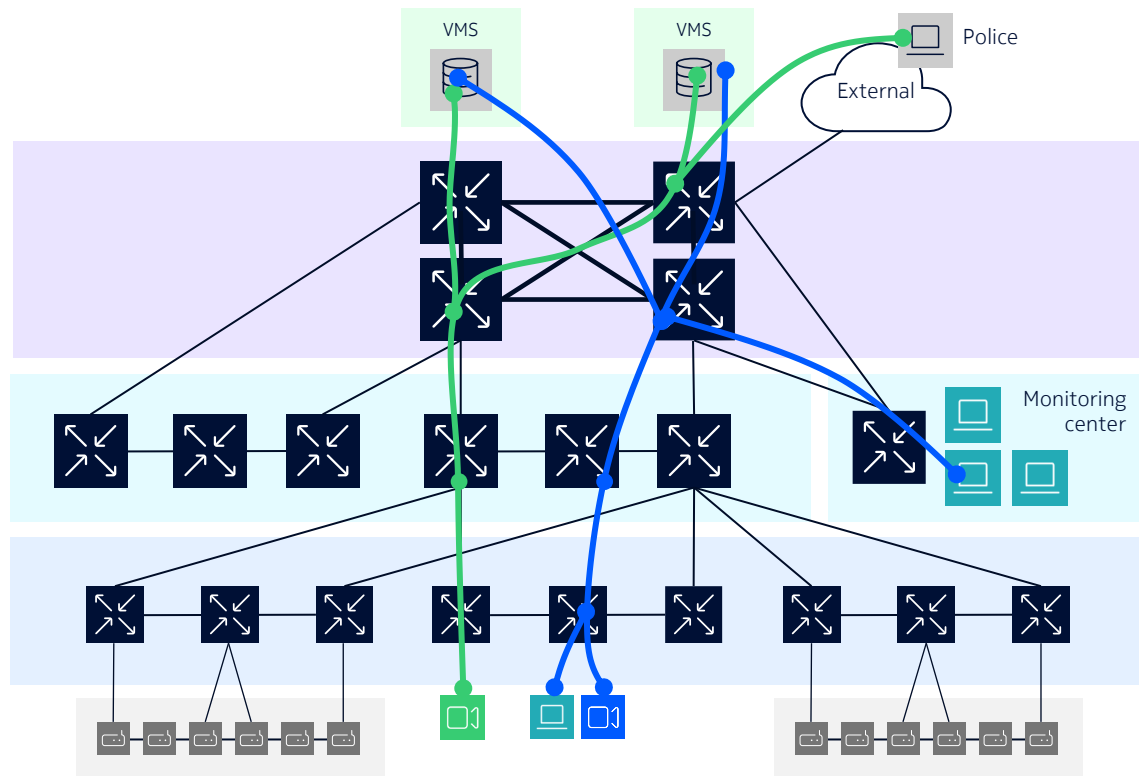
Adapt network to applications



Highlights

- Individually adapt network to each application need
- Converged network allows lowest possible TCO
- Accommodate all service types to ensure future proof solution
- Quick integration of any new applications

Scaling networks for CCTV

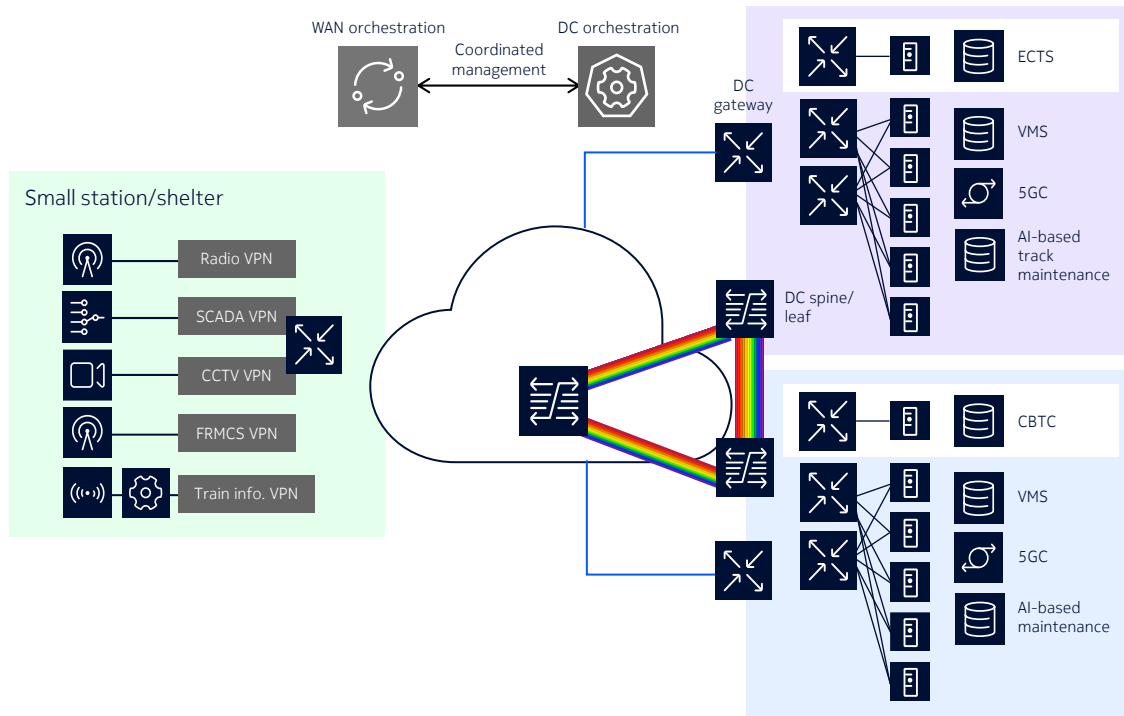


Highlights

- CCTV growth is still ongoing to protect people and assets
- Video requires multiple storages and monitoring sites (internal and external)
- Network allows centralized storage
- Design knowhow and node capabilities are key to improve availability and reduce bandwidth

Building the OT cloud

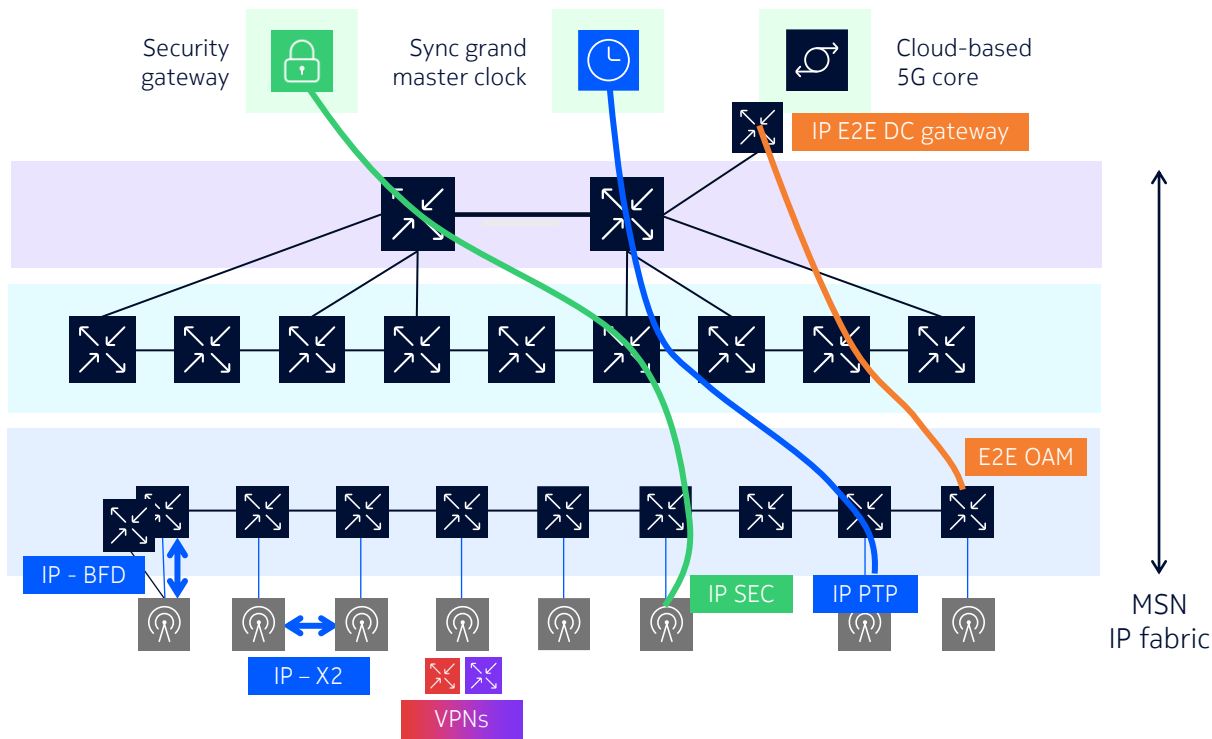
Robust flexible and programmable cloud infrastructure



Highlights

- Build a solid data center foundation to host cloud native applications
- Bring high level of redundancy with close MSN interaction
- Bring flexibility to the infrastructure in order to leverage virtualization environment
- Scalable flexible and reliable DC architecture to cope with critical application growth and cloudification

Finally, why is IP/MPLS needed for FRMCS/5G?

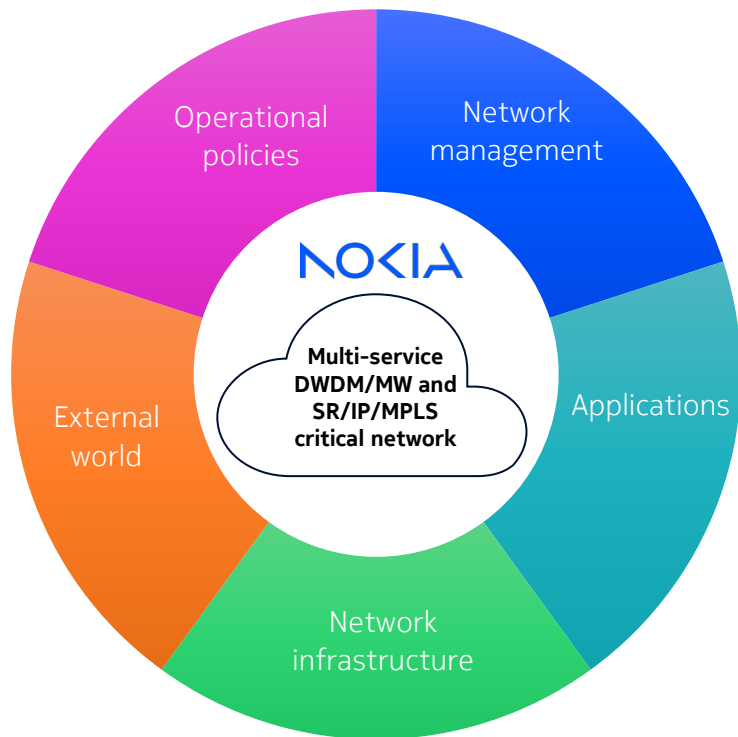


Highlights

- 3GPP requires an IP fabric for 5G backhaul
- Availability, roaming, slicing, OAM for Service Level Agreements are all IP-based
- This is why all mobile network operators are using IP/MPLS for backhaul

End-to-end cyber security toolkit in action

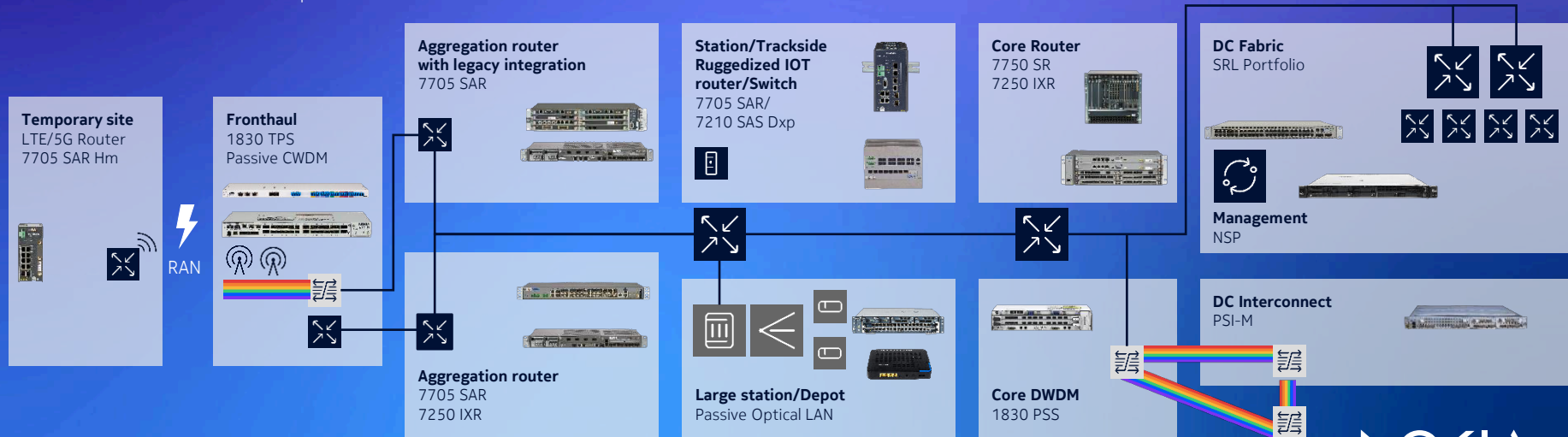
Increasing pressure of safety/security



Highlights

- Protecting critical networks is requiring multiple tasks and solutions
- Protecting is not delegating tasks to the products
- Protecting requires constant monitoring and adaptation
- The network is a first level of defense for applications
- The network contributes to safety standards and regulator cybersecurity directives (NIS-2 EU, IEC 62443, ER-ISAC, NERC CIP, IEC 63452 ...)

Network Infrastructure Portfolio for Railways



Proven experience
of robust-cyber
secured-large
metro and
mainline networks

Smooth integration
of any fixed or
mobile applications

A leader and
trusted long-term
partner of railways

Networks become one of the most critical assets for railway operations. Nokia demonstrates a focused approach to answer the associated challenges.

NOKIA