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The Latest View on Quantum Computing and its Impact on Critical Digital Infrastructures

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Are you quantum-ready?

- Do you understand what the technologies are capable of and their readiness levels?
- Do you understand how the new capabilities impact your organization or sector?
- Do you have a plan to benefit from the disruptive capabilities?
- Do you have a plan to mitigate any quantum threats?



Technology readiness levels





Cloud computing, payment systems, internet, IoT, eHealth, etc...

Secure web browsing, Auto-updates, VPN, Secure email, Blockchain, etc...

Cryptography: RSA, DH, ECC, DSA, ..., SHA, AES

3 inflection points

- NIST standards (2022-24): will you be 75% ready by then?
- Fault-tolerant logical qubit: will you be 90% ready by then?
- Commercial long-distance QKD: will you be QKD-ready?



Technology readiness levels

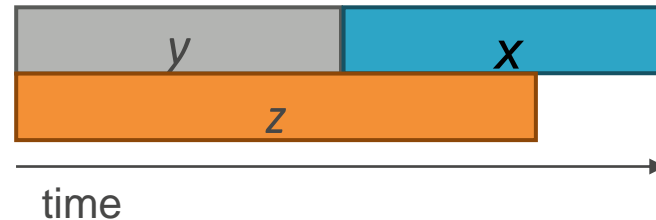


Do we need to worry *now*?

Depends on*:

- *security shelf-life* (x years)
- *migration time* (y years)
- *collapse time* (z years)

“Theorem”: If $x + y > z$, then worry.



*M. Mosca: e-Proceedings of 1st ETSI Quantum-Safe Cryptography Workshop, 2013. Also <http://eprint.iacr.org/2015/1075>





IBM's Quantum Race to One Million Qubits

By John Russell

September 15, 2020

Hummingbird (65 qubits).



Google's Quantum Chemistry Simulation Suggests Promising Path Forward

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IonQ announces development of next-generation quantum computer

by Bob Yirka, Phys.org

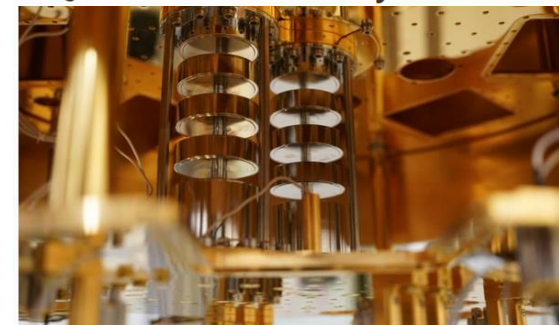


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Intel Advances On The Road To Quantum Practicality



China claims quantum leap with machine declared a million times greater than Google's Sycamore

- Physicist Pan Jianwei says his team achieved quantum supremacy but 'further verification' is necessary
- Pan's team has received generous and consistent financial support from the Chinese government



Stephen Chen in Beijing
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The country wants to build a quantum computer with a million times the computing power presently in the world.
by Jeffrey Lin and P.W. Singer October 10, 2017

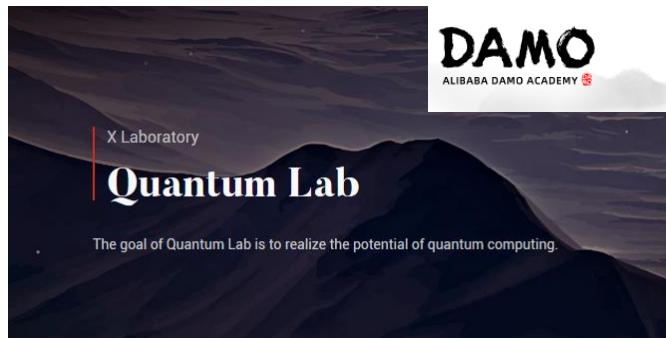


NATIONAL LABORATORY FOR QUANTUM INFORMATION SCIENCES
The \$10 billion National Laboratory for Quantum Information Sciences in Hefei will be the center of China's attempt to take the global lead in quantum computing and sensing.

Tencent Quantum Laboratory is under construction, the next three major laboratories will provide a wealth of AI scenarios

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"SNG is putting a lot of effort into the layout of artificial intelligence. At present, SNG has excellent labs, audio and video labs, and quantum labs. "Tang Dao-sheng, senior executive vice president of Tencent Group and president of the Social Networking Group (SNG), said in his opening speech.



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Baidu announces Quantum Leaf, a cloud-based quantum infrastructure service

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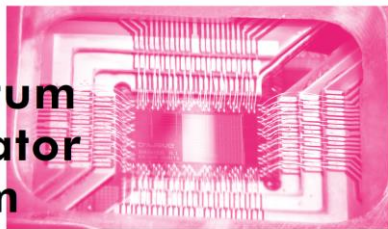


Quantum is years away, but business case can be made today

Business leaders are being urged to start thinking about how their organisations could solve complex problems with quantum technology



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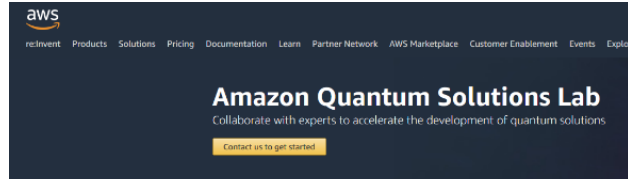
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D-Wave doubles its cloud quantum computing power to 5,000 qubits

BY MIKE WHEATLEY



etaq - A full-stack quantum processing toolkit
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The Amazon Quantum Solutions Lab will help you get ready for quantum computing.

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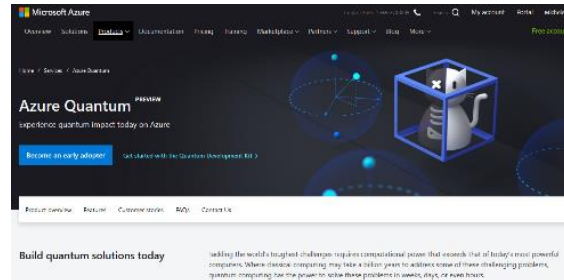
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Quantum++: A modern C++ quantum computing library

PLoS ONE 13(12): e0208073 (2018)



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Image of a D-Wave quantum computer system

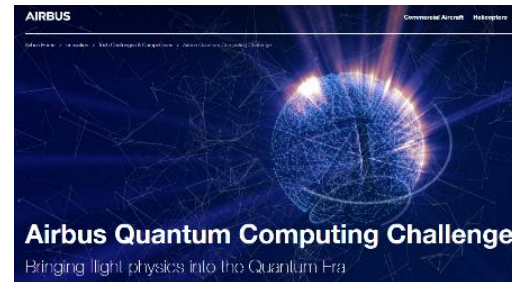
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Canadian quantum computing firms partner to spread the technology

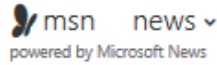


Howard Solomon @howarditlwc
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Toward fault-tolerant logical qubits



IBM Just Committed to Having a Functioning 1,000 Qubit Quantum Computer by 2023

David Nield 9/17/2020



We're still a long way from realising the full potential of [quantum computing](#), but scientists are making progress all the time – and as a sign of what might be coming, IBM now says it expects to have a 1,000 qubit machine up and running by 2023.



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“...it would be enough to maintain a small number of stable, logical qubit systems that could then interact with each other.”

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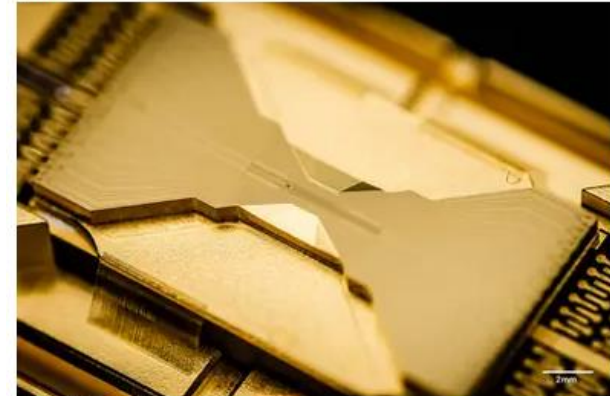
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IonQ says its record-breaking quantum computer is most powerful ever



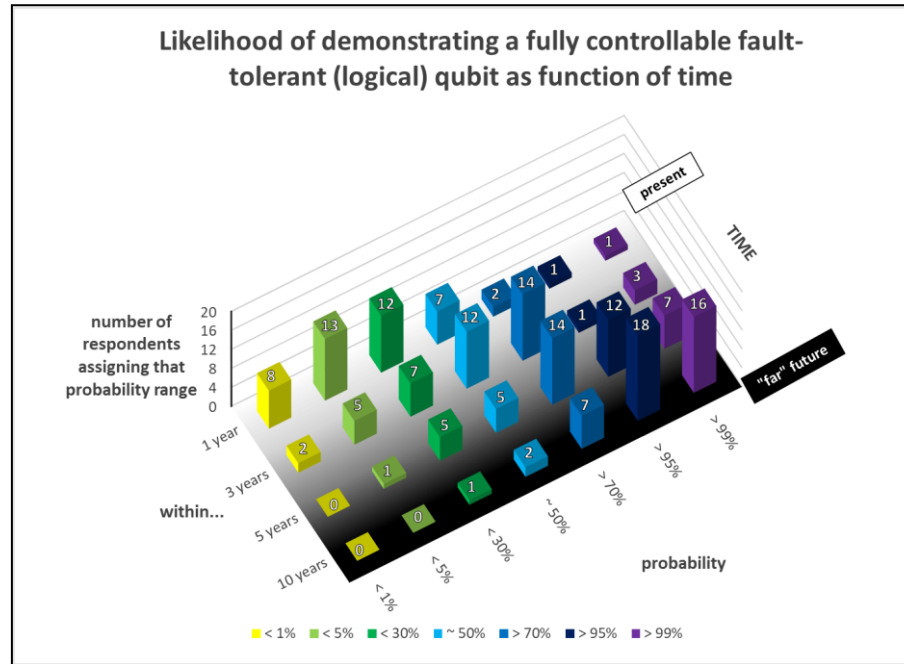
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By Leah Crane



The IonQ trap at the heart of IonQ's quantum computer
for (Hach, IonQ)

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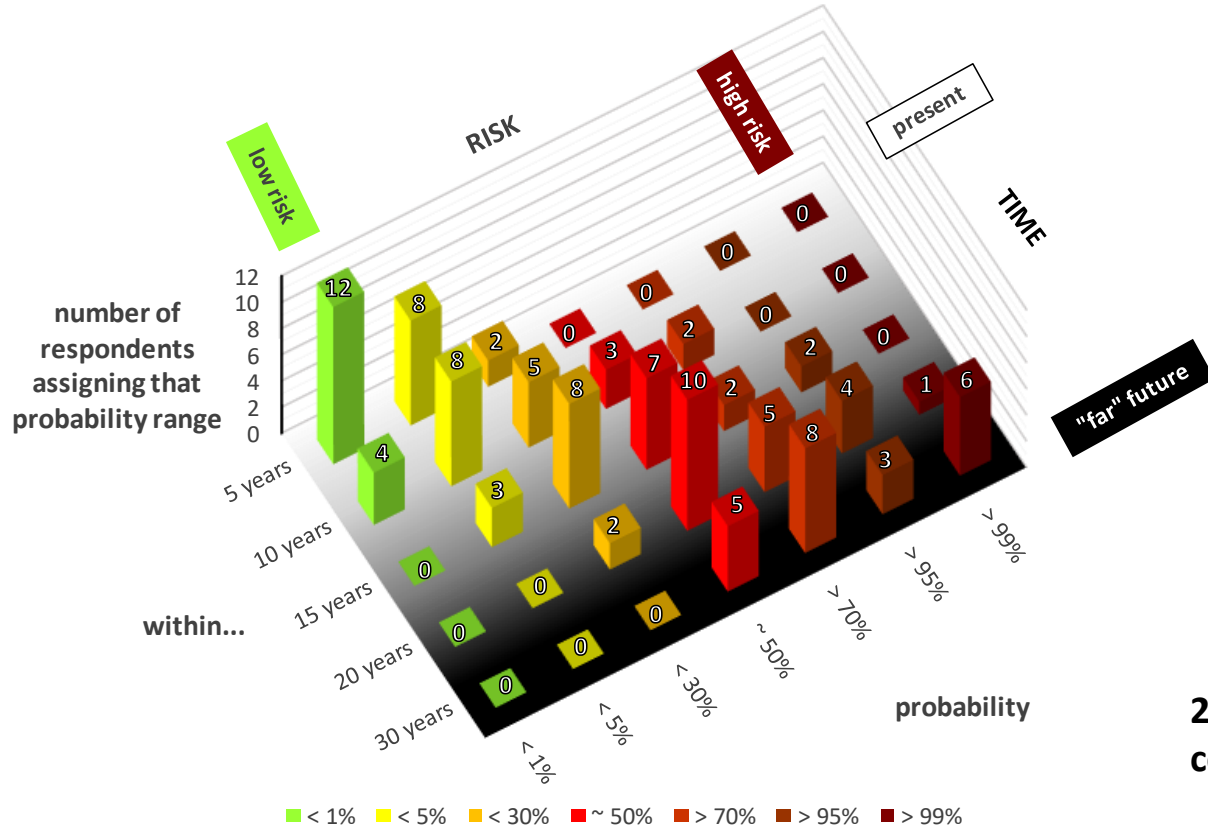


(In upcoming 2020 version of
<https://globalriskinstitute.org/publications/quantum-threat-timeline/>.)

What is 'z'?

- **Michele Mosca** [Oxford, 1996]: *"20 qubits in 20 years"*
- **Microsoft Research** [October 2015]: *"Recent improvements in control of quantum systems make it seem feasible to finally build a quantum computer **within a decade**"*.
- **Michele Mosca** ([NIST, April 2015], [ISACA, September 2015]): *"1/7 chance of breaking RSA-2048 by 2026, ½ chance by 2031"*
- **Michele Mosca** [London, September 2017]: *"1/6 chance within 10 years"*
- **Simon Benjamin** [London, September 2017]: *Speculates that if someone is willing to "go Manhattan project" then "maybe 6-12 years"*
- **Michele Mosca** [Seattle, November 2019]: ***1/5 chance within 10 years***

Likelihood of a digital quantum computer able to break RSA-2048 in 24 hours as function of time



2020 New report coming out soon.

Quantum-safe cryptography tool-chest

conventional quantum-safe cryptography

a.k.a. Post-Quantum Cryptography or Quantum Resistant Algorithms



quantum cryptography



Courtesy of Qiang Zhang, USTC

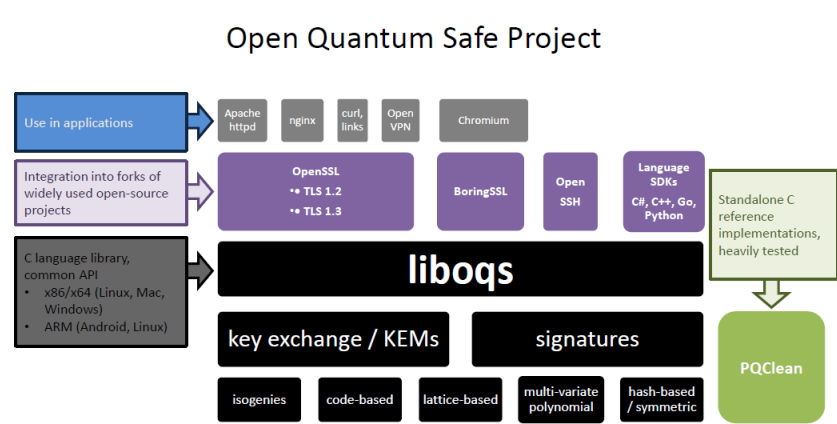


<http://www.idquantique.com/photon-counting/clavis3-qkd-platform/>

Both sets of cryptographic tools can work very well together in quantum-safe cryptographic ecosystem

“quantum-safe” = designed to be safe against quantum attacks

Can start post-quantum planning and testing *now*



<https://openquantumsafe.org/>
<https://github.com/open-quantum-safe/>

Utimaco & evolutionQ set standards by taking Post-Quantum Crypto Open Source

May 15, 2019

Toward large scale quantum communication networks



Chinese scientists report breakthrough on quantum internet technology with entangled atoms

- Paper in the journal 'Nature' says team was able to 'entangle' two clouds of atoms via a 50km optical fibre
- It was the longest distance photons have travelled in such an experiment



Stephen Chen in Beijing
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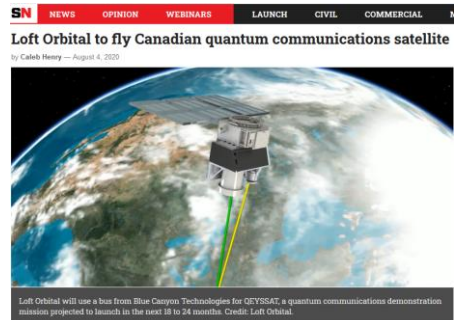


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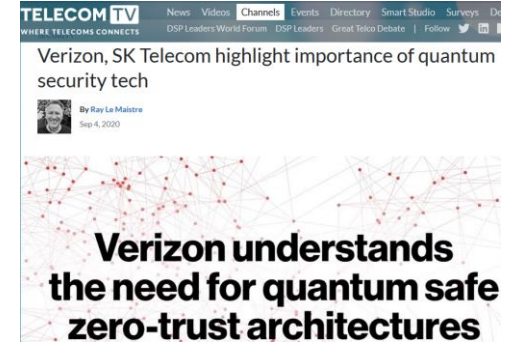
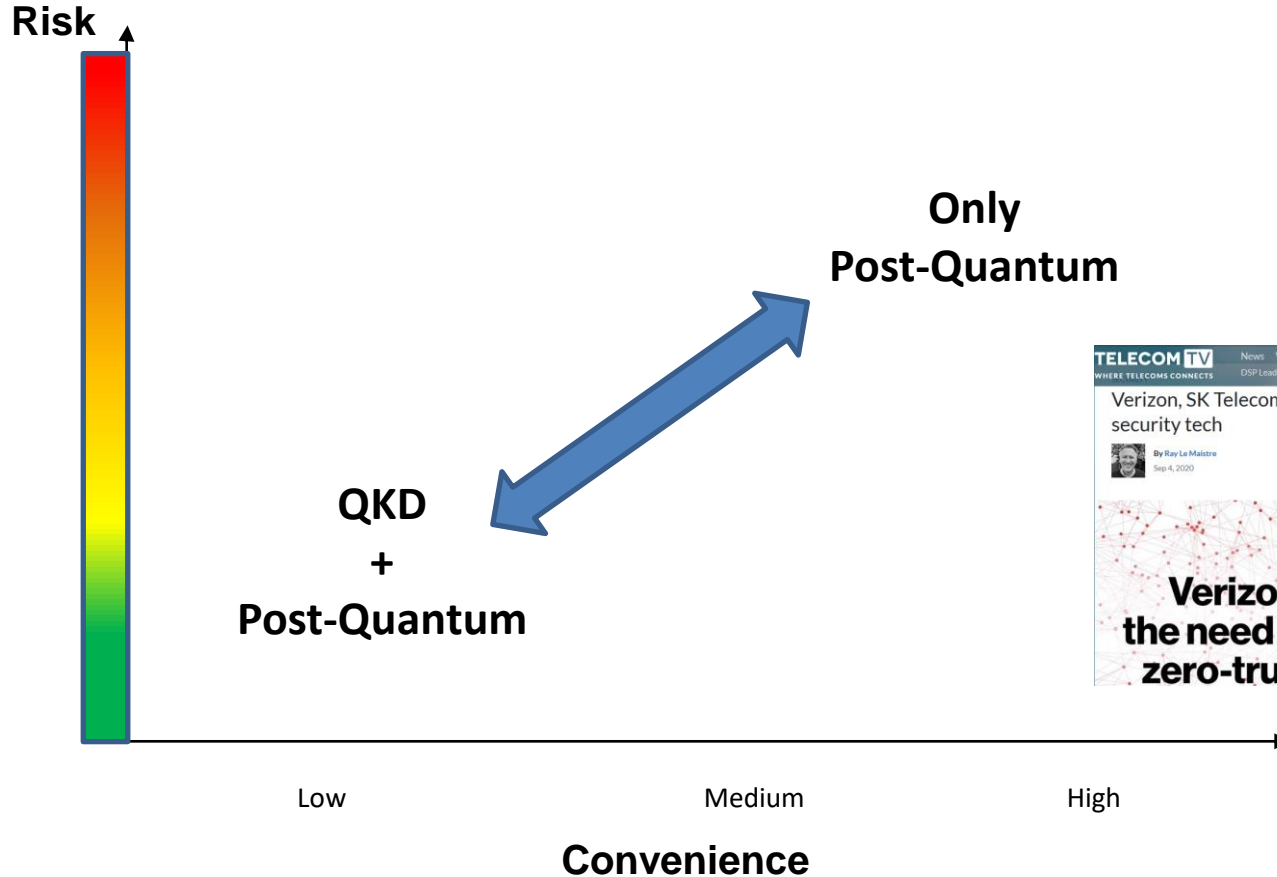
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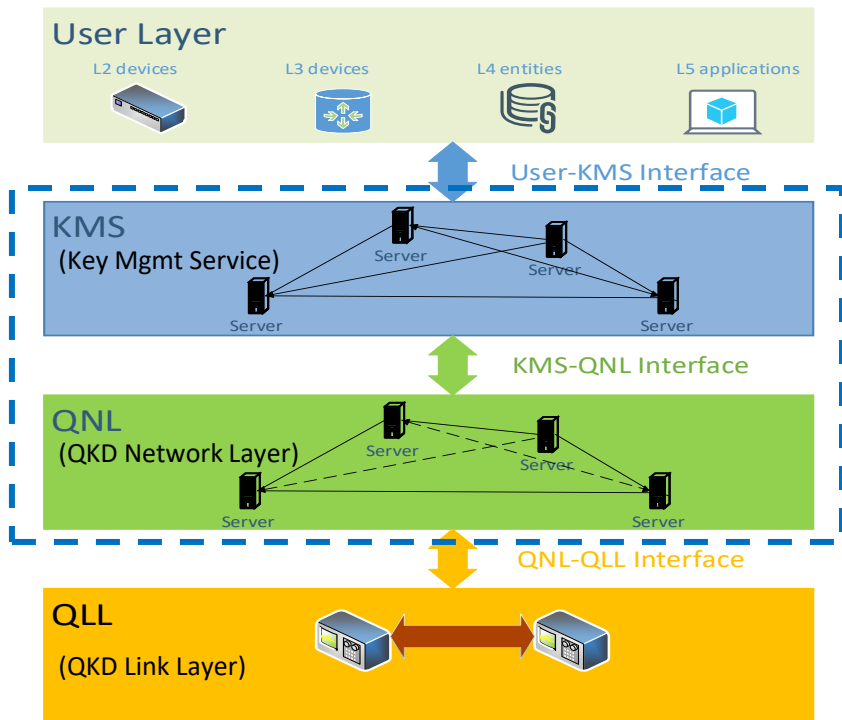
The future is quantum: EU countries plan ultra-secure communication network



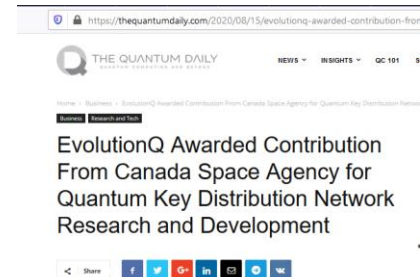
Risk vs convenience



Designing quantum key agreement into systems *now*



- Layered architecture
 - Introduce QKD Networking into an existing Network & Key Management Environment
- Standards compliance
 - Contributing to ETSI and ITU-T standards
- Technology Readiness
 - Evaluate Opensource QKD Networking Today : OpenQKDNetwork.ca
 - evolutionQ QKD Network Commercial Product available 2020.
- QKD tech agnostic
 - Expand a QKD Network over time with different vendors.



KEEP
CALM
&
build
BACK
better



Build greater resilience against cryptanalytic attacks



Yesterday



Today



Soon
(hybrid, agile,
post-quantum)



Soon after
(hybrid, agile,
post-quantum
+QKD)

2021 Resolutions

- Put someone in charge of producing a quantum readiness plan by Q2
- Provide them broad executive support for the planning exercise
- Engage relevant standards organizations by Q3
- Update RFPs and start engagement by Q4



Prepare for the Quantum Age.

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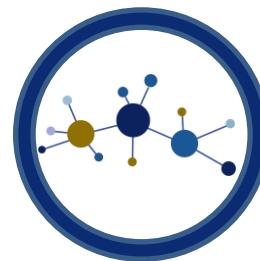
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