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# Internet Landscape and Network Resiliency

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in South East Europe



## Internet resilience

[ˈɪntənət rɪˈzɪləns] noun

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*The capacity of a country or region's Internet infrastructure to maintain stable and reliable service despite disruptions.*





## Overall Resilience

Europe ×

● Infrastructure

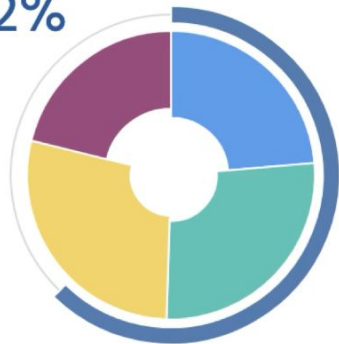
● Performance

● Security

● Market Readiness

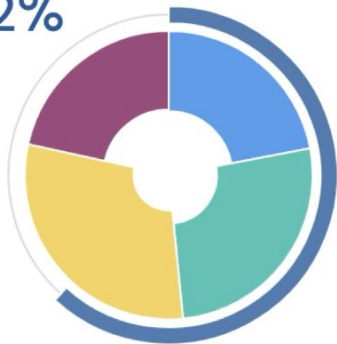
Northern Europe

62%



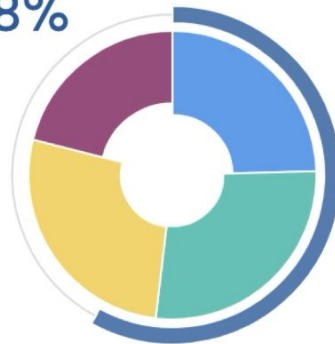
Western Europe

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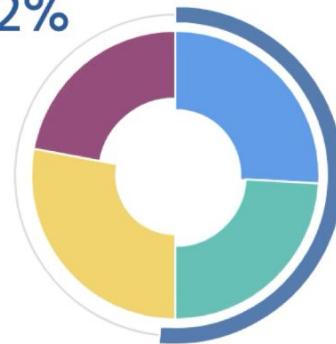
Eastern Europe

58%



Southern Europe

52%



Internet Society Pulse:

[pulse.internetsociety.org/resilience](https://pulse.internetsociety.org/resilience)

# Internet Resilience Index



● Overall Resilience ● Infrastructure ● Performance ● Security ● Market Readiness

Romania  
62%



Bulgaria  
61%



Greece  
55%



Slovenia  
54%



Croatia  
52%



Serbia  
51%



Montenegro  
49%



Albania  
48%



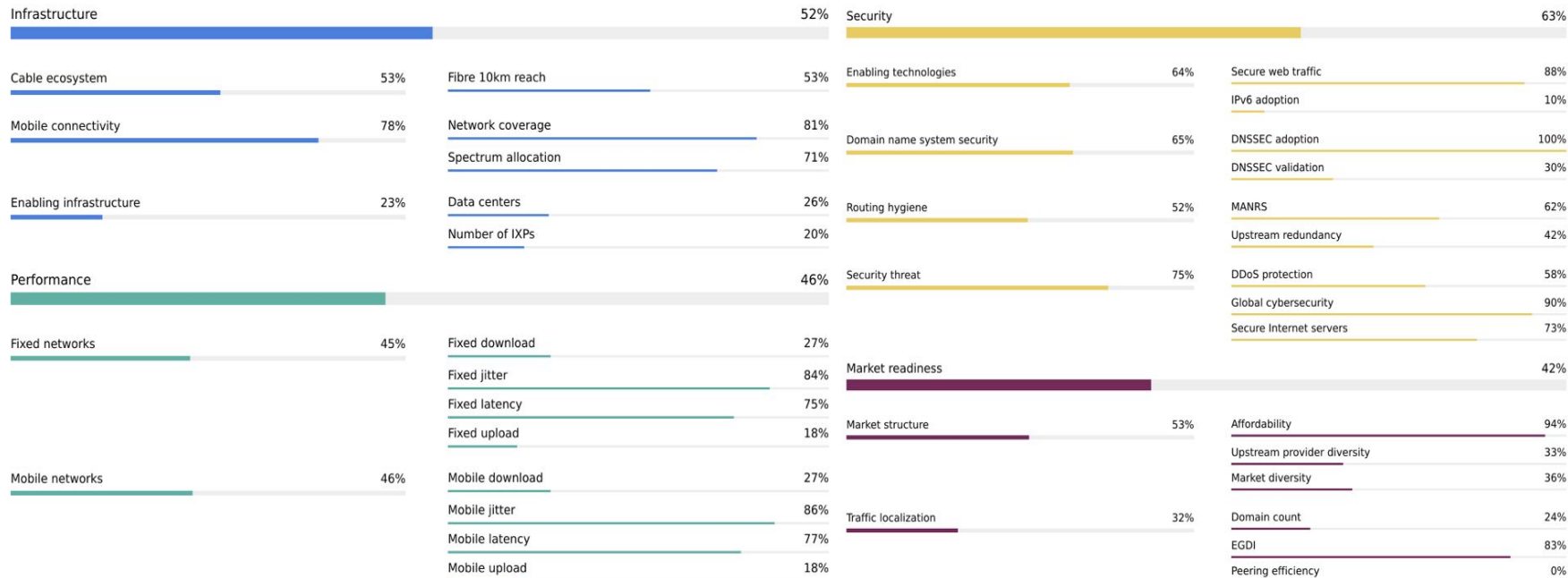
North Macedonia  
41%



# Internet Resilience Index



Serbia



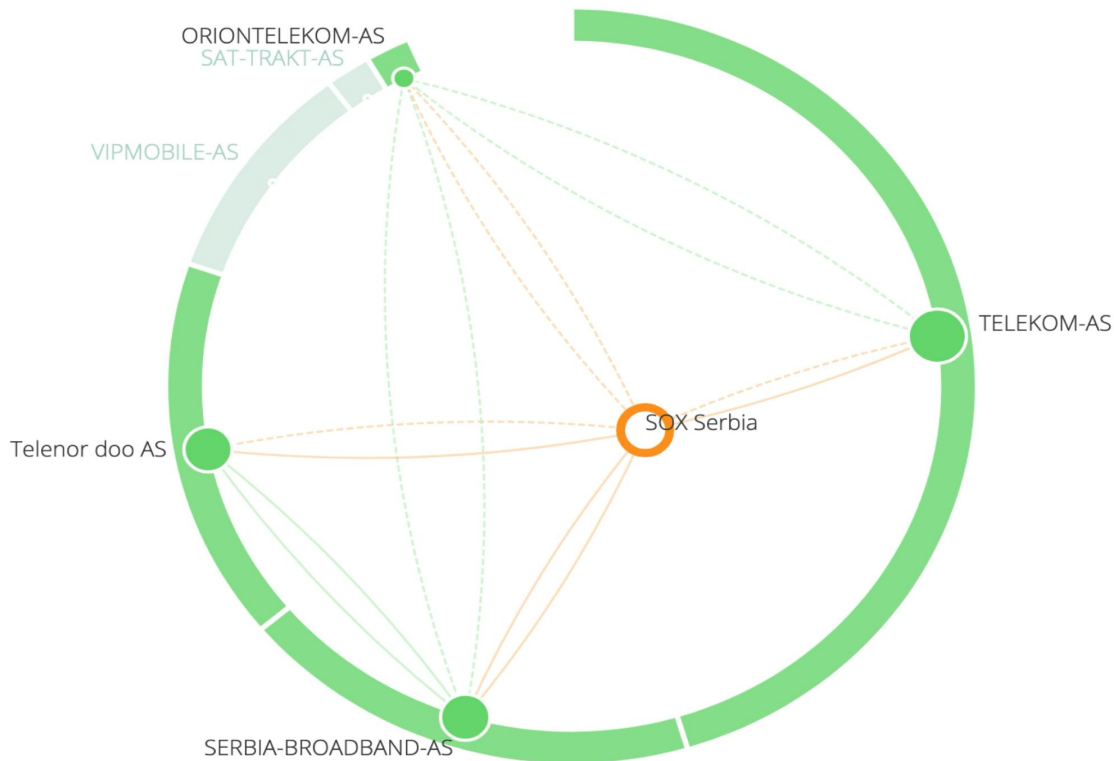


# Market readiness

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Market structure

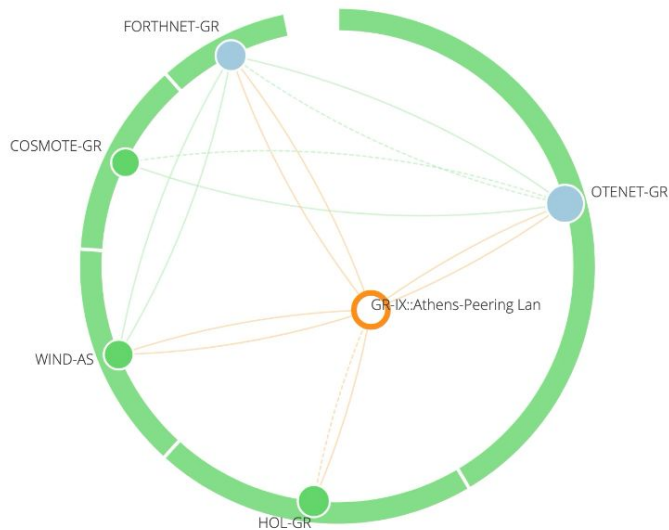
# Peer-to-peer connections: Serbia



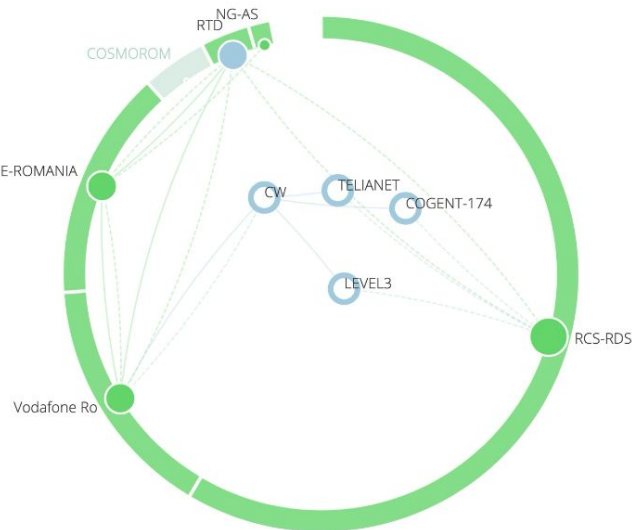
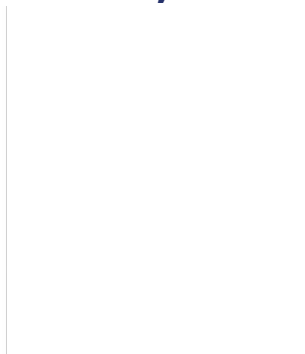
The sketch show how end-users interconnect within a country.

It illustrates the peer-to-peer fabric at a specific point in time and provides insight into how networks interconnect users.

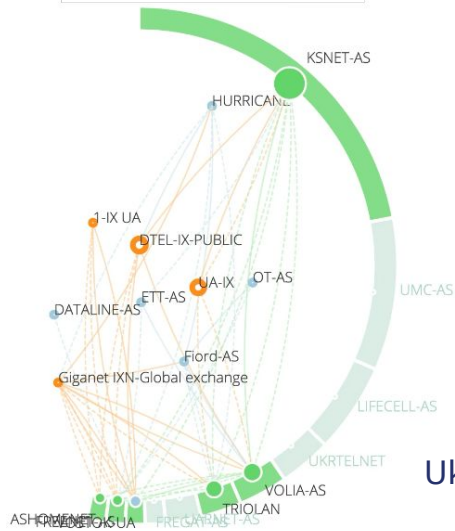
# Peer-to-peer connections: Greece, Romania and Ukraine



Greece



Romania



Ukraine



# Market structure



Country	HHI score
AL	0.7147
RO	0.4001
GR	0.3706
MK	0.3573
SI	0.3557
HR	0.3486
ME	0.3363
RS	0.2747
BA	0.2459
BG	0.1908

The Herfindahl-Hirschman Index (HHI) is an economic measure of market concentration.

We calculate the HHI using APNIC data on networks serving users in a specific country. Only networks with over 1% of users in that country are included.

By converting percentages to fractions, we obtain an HHI ranging from 0 (no concentration) to 1 (monopoly).



## Telecom Serbia

**HQ:**  
Belgrade, Serbia

**Size:**  
12,000+ employees

### Market share across SEE region:

Bosnia and Herzegovina - 26.5%  
North Macedonia - 0.05%  
Montenegro - 44%  
Serbia - 48%



## United Group

**HQ:**  
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

**Size:**  
14,000+ employees

### Market share across SEE region:

Bosnia and Herzegovina - 20%  
Bulgaria - 33.5%  
Croatia - 16%  
Greece - 32%  
Montenegro - 10.5%  
Serbia - 21.5%  
Slovenia - 30.5%



## A1

**HQ:**  
Vienna, Austria

**Size:**  
17,000+ employees

### Market share across SEE region:

Bulgaria - 22.5%  
Croatia - 32.5%  
North Macedonia - 36%  
Serbia - 9%  
Slovenia - 20%



## Deutsche Telekom

**HQ:**  
Bonn, Germany

**Size:**  
207,000+ employees

### Market share across SEE region:

Bosnia and Herzegovina - 11%  
Croatia - 47%  
Greece - 51.5%  
Montenegro - 36%  
North Macedonia - 43%  
Romania - 4%

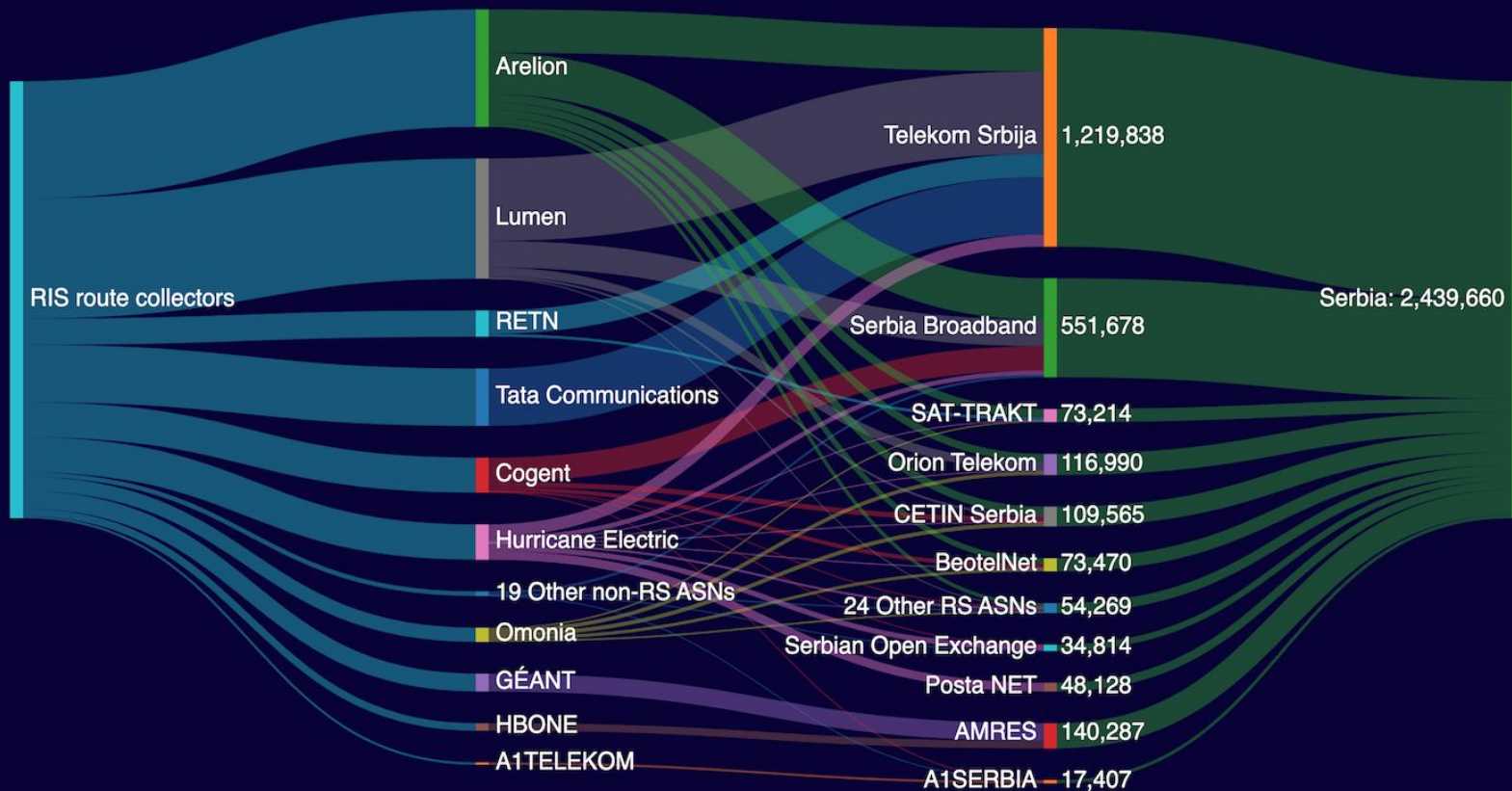


# Market readiness

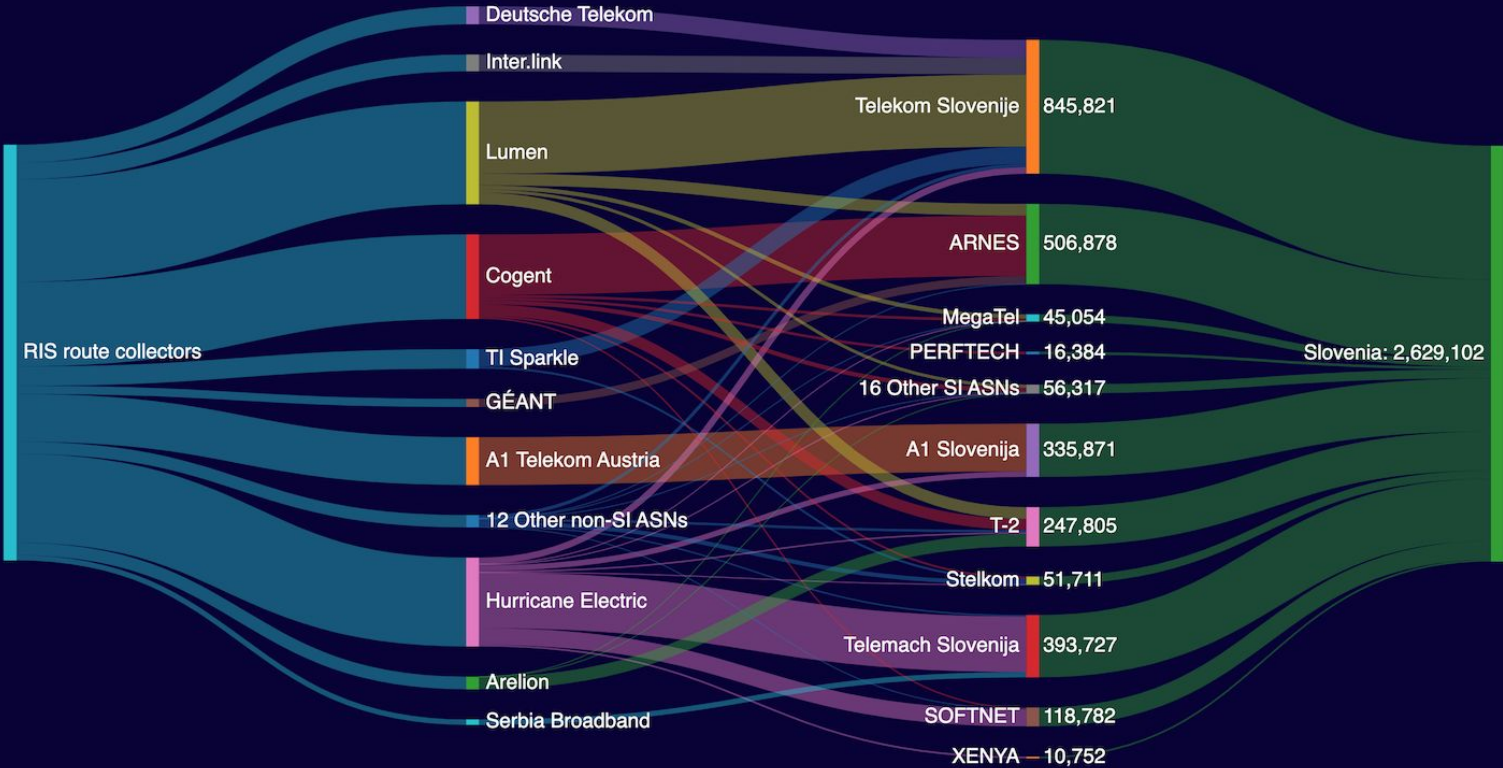
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Upstream provider diversity

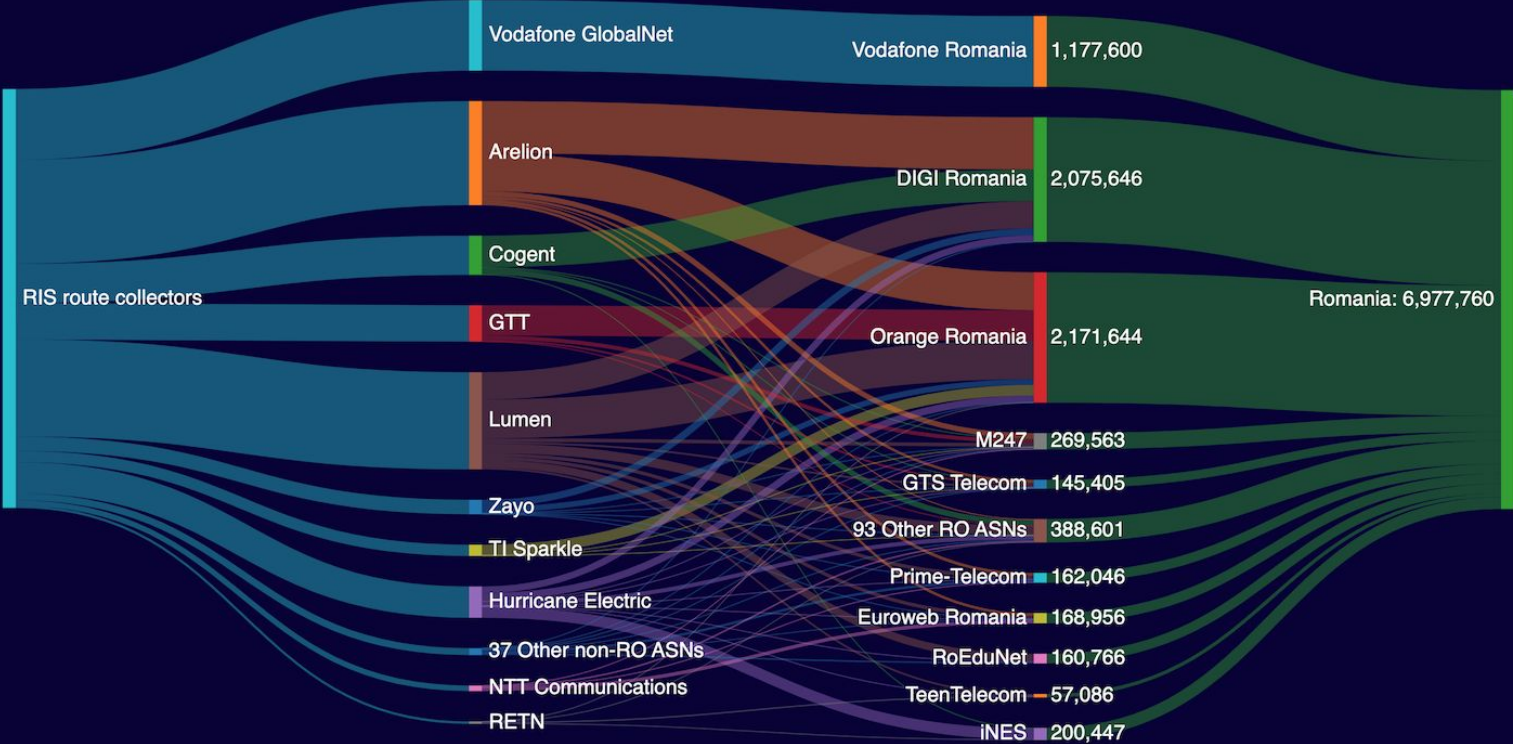
# Upstream operators providing connectivity into Serbia



# Upstream operators providing connectivity into Slovenia



# Upstream operators providing connectivity into Romania







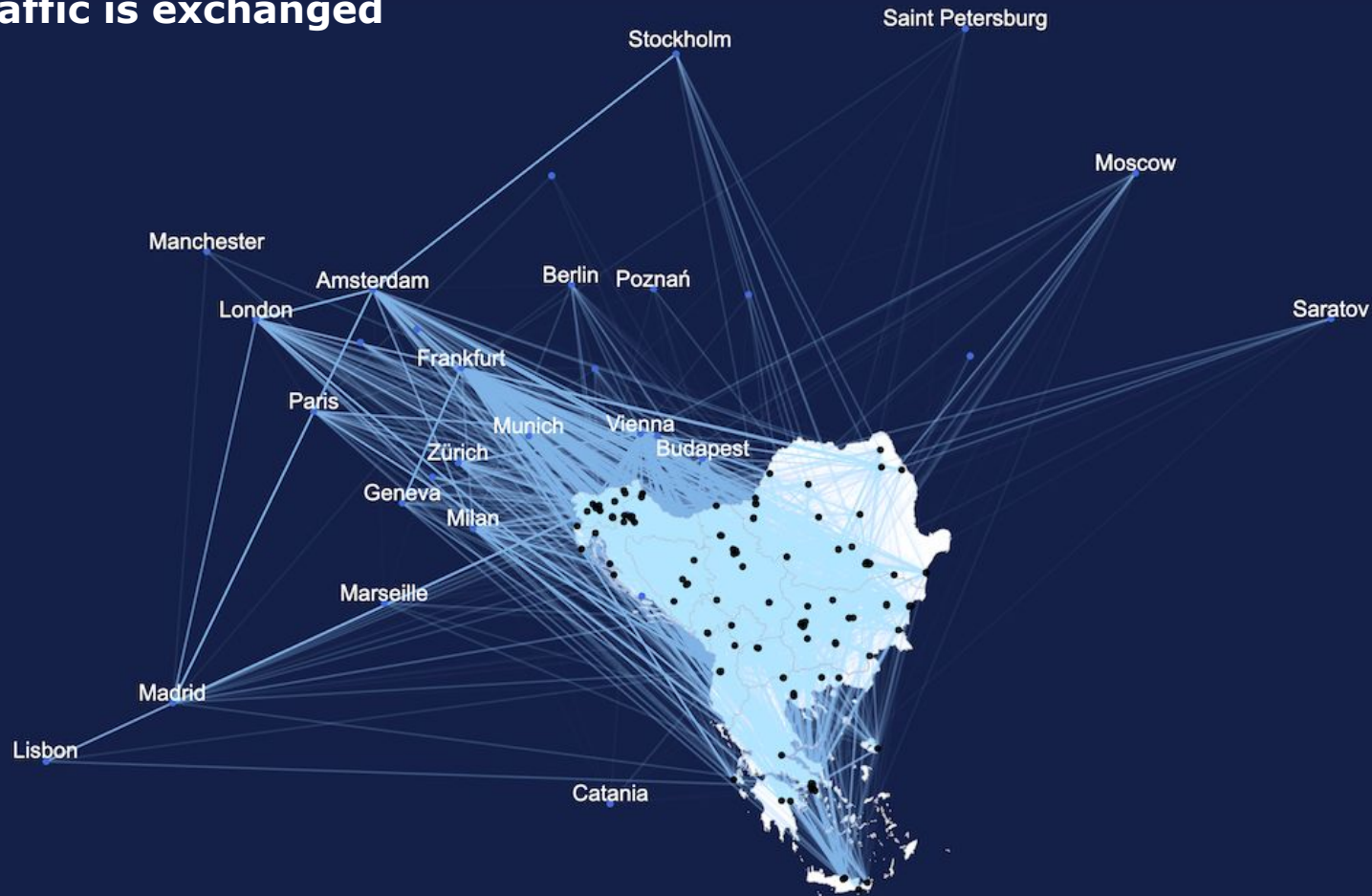
# Market readiness

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Traffic localisation

# How regional traffic is exchanged

In region

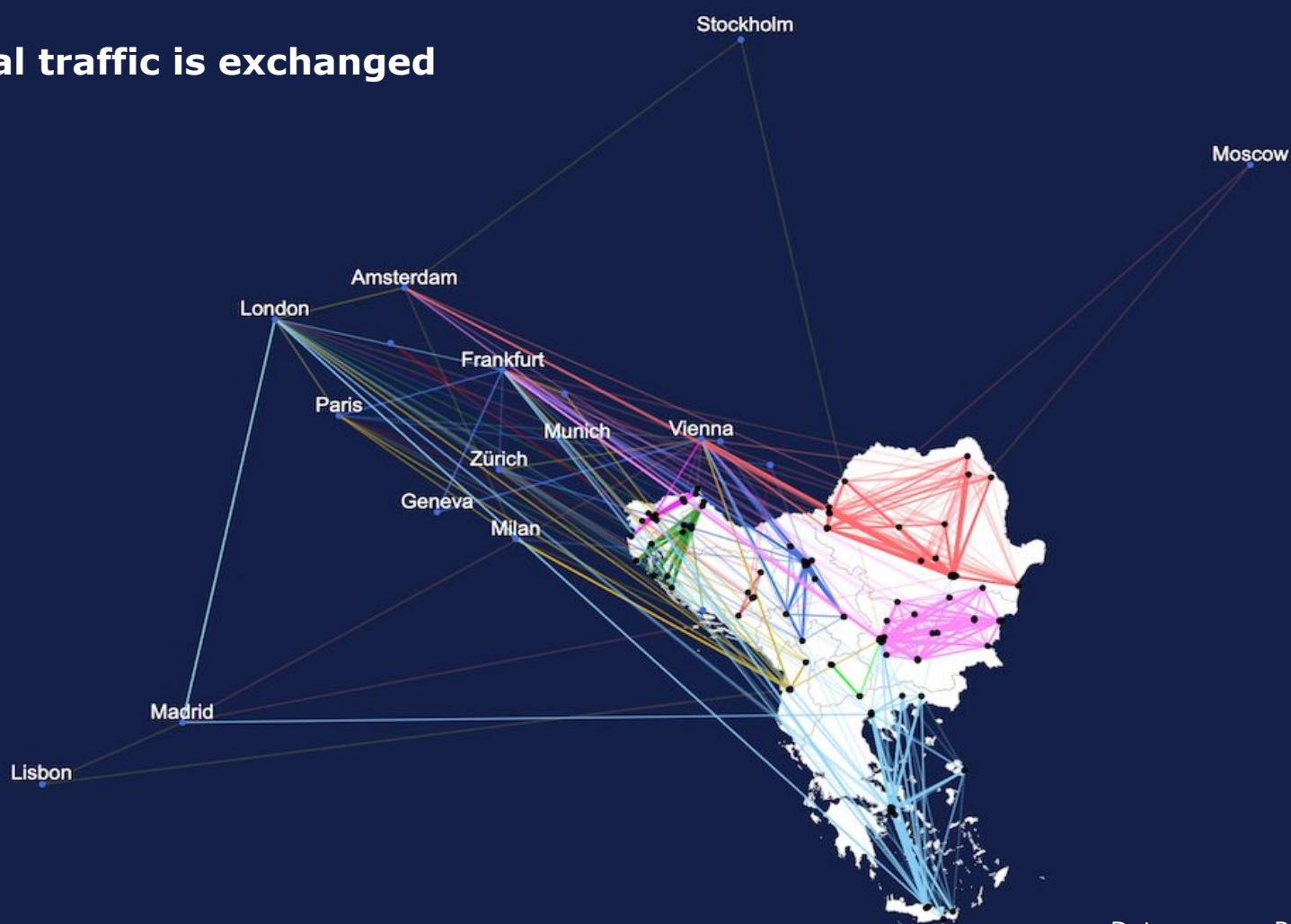


Data source: RIPE Atlas



# How regional traffic is exchanged

Per country



Data source: RIPE Atlas



# Infrastructure

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Enabling infrastructure

# Number of IXPs



# Cloud, CDN and OTT leaders in IXP participation



Provider	SOX	InterLAN	RoNIX	CIX	BIX.BG	GR-IX	ANIX	IXP.mk
Google	100G	100G	40G		400G			
Microsoft Azure	20G	20G		40G	200G	200G		
AWS	40G				200G	200G		
Meta	200G	200G	200G		200G		30G	
Cloudflare	40G	100G	10G	40G	20G	200G		20G
Fastly					200G			
Netflix		100G	100G					



- The (former) state telecommunications operators still exert a lot of influence. There are smaller numbers of independent providers than we see in some other parts of Europe.
- Routing within the region is generally efficient, although we observed a few anomalies that likely reflect the various peering arrangements that different networks have in place.
- There is a modest amount of diversity in terms of the routes available to traffic flowing into the region, the dominant role played by incumbents.



# Questions & Comments



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