

CROATIAN ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH NETWORK CARNET

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CARNET
znanje povezuje

About CARNET

- Founded by the Croatian Government in 1995.
- Under the Ministry of Science and Education
- Located in six Croatian cities
 - Headquarters in Zagreb
 - Regional centers - Rijeka, Osijek, Split, Pula and Dubrovnik
- 148 employees
- Annual budget (state budget) approx 15 mil. Euros

Services are **free for the users**

And who are the Users?

- HE institutions
- Scientific and research institutes
- Primary and secondary schools
- Student residence halls
- Ministry of Education and Science
- Ministry's agencies
- Students, pupils and employees of these institutions
- Institutions of the Ministry of Demographics, Family, Youth and Social Policy
- Institutions of the Ministry of Health
- HZMO - Croatian Pension Insurance Institute
- Ministry of Environmental and Nature Protection

Connectivity

- Over 1800 institutions connected on over 3600 locations.
- Access speed from 2 Mbps to 10 Gbps, using a combination of technologies depending on availability and prices in a certain region/area
 - xDSL, leased capacity, dark fiber, own fiber
- Connectivity costs for full-membership institutions are **covered by CARNET** (leased links, **central procurement**)
- Connecting schools since 2006. – **2286 locations** (approx. 1400 schools)

Optical Network Infrastructure

- Signed agreements with City Councils allows CARNET to use existing cable ducts and build its own optical network infrastructure.
- CARNET member institutions connected to the private network via one-time investment lines **instead** of leased lines.
- Radical per-year savings in those cities allows CARNET further network development in other regions
- Split
 - 120 member institutions connected to CARNET network
 - Common, interlaced network infrastructure for CARNET and City of Split
- Opatija
 - 12 member institutions to be connected to CARNET private network
- Rijeka
 - 100 member institutions to be connected to CARNET private network

CARNET network



School and content filtering

- More than 550 000 pupils have the network access from the PC labs in primary and secondary schools.
- Websites are filtered in 14 categories:

- Drugs
- Gambling
- Gambling Related
- Gruesome Content
- Hacking
- Hate speech
- Malicious Sites
- Nudity
- Pornography
- Profanity
- School Cheating Information
- Spam
- Tobacco
- Violence



Network operation Center - NOC

Since 2009. CARNET NOC does following activities by itself:

- Building, developing, maintaining, operating, and supervising country-wide private computer network:
 - In its core, distribution, aggregation and access
 - CARNET network is the infrastructure for all CARNET services
 - Based on IPv4 and IPv6
- Provides second-level and third-level helpdesk

Services

Internet access:

Permanent connection
(for member institutions)
Individual user access
(fixed and mobile)

Internet services:

HUSO - hosting service for schools

CMS for schools

e-Classbook

DNS

voopIX

MM services:

Videoconferences

Internet streaming

Media on Demand

Adobe Connect

Radio on Demand

Baltazar portal

CARNet services and projects

Over 70 services + 10-15 active projects at all times

(ICT in) Education:

Education programs:

MOOCs, online courses, ICT
Edu, F2F workshops, CUC
conference, CISCO academy,
webinars...

Educational tools and content:

Moodle (Loomen), Edu.hr, Portal
for schools, Distance learning
portal "Nikola Tesla",
eduBookstore...

Computer Security:

National CERT

content filtering for schools

server certificates

vulnerability check

security recommendations

abuse service

User Support:

User Support
Service (helpdesk)

CARNet system
engineers helpdesk

Educational System
Support

AAI@EduHr – a necessary preconditions for all services!

- Project for acquiring virtual electronic identity
 - Distributed LDAP directories for member institutions from academic community
 - Centralized LDAP directory for member institutions from educational community
 - Hosting service for Secondary and Primary Schools
- Unique identifier of every CARNET user
- **950 000+** electronic identities in AAI@EduHr system today

DNS - .hr Croatian Internet Address

- CRO-DNS service
- CARNET controls the .hr top-level domain
- Almost 73 000 registered domains
- Rules and regulations on the domain space organization and management of the .hr top-level domain

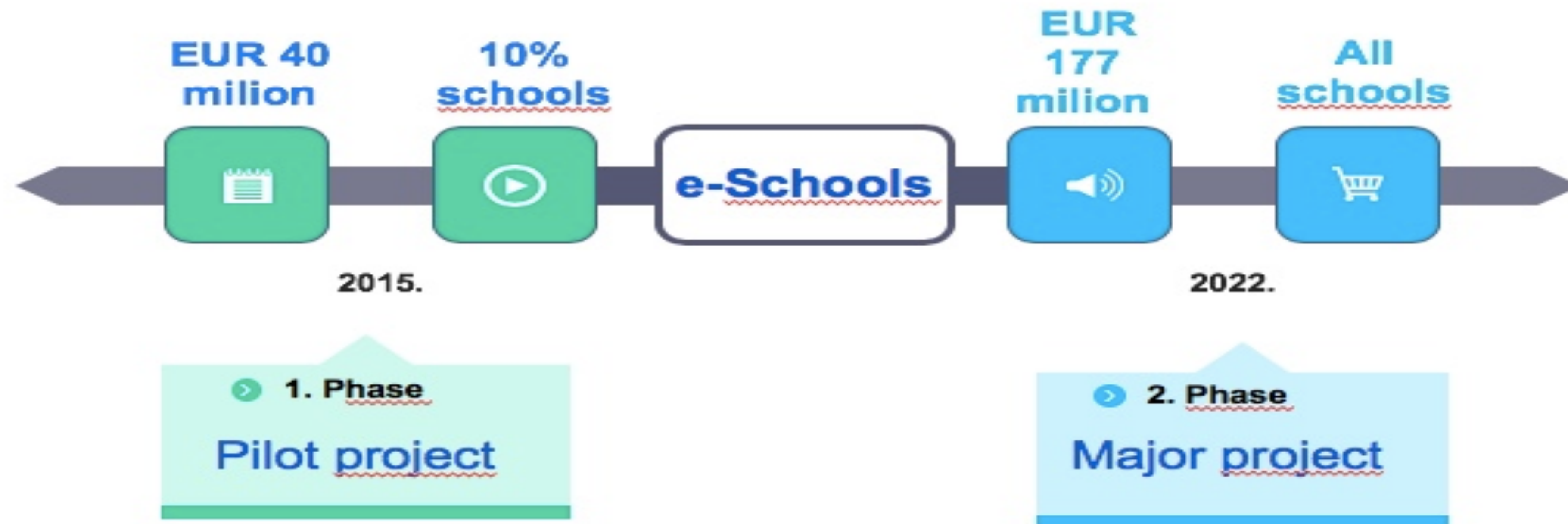


National CERT

- National “point of contact” for incident reporting for foreign and Croatian CERTs and Abuse Services.
- Cooperation with other Croatian ISPs in area of information security.
- Continuous monitoring of the security information technologies, new types of attacks and dissemination of related information.
- Media campaigns - raising the awareness of the importance of computer security.
- Coordination and cooperation with the governmental bodies on information security.

e-Schools - establishing a system for developing digitally mature schools

Comprehensive digitalization of school operation processes and teaching processes aimed at the development of **digitally mature schools** for the 21st century.“



First phase - results



This is from where we [started...](#)

- ✓ 197 Local area networks
- ✓ 12 224 Laptops, tablets and hybrid computers
- ✓ 2 equipped classrooms in every school
- ✓ 5 regional training centres

First phase - results

- Increased digital maturity of schools
- Adequate ICT infrastructure and equipment
- E-services for school administration
- ICT in teaching and learning
- Education and support
- Community of practice

NEXT PHASE: MAJOR PROJECT



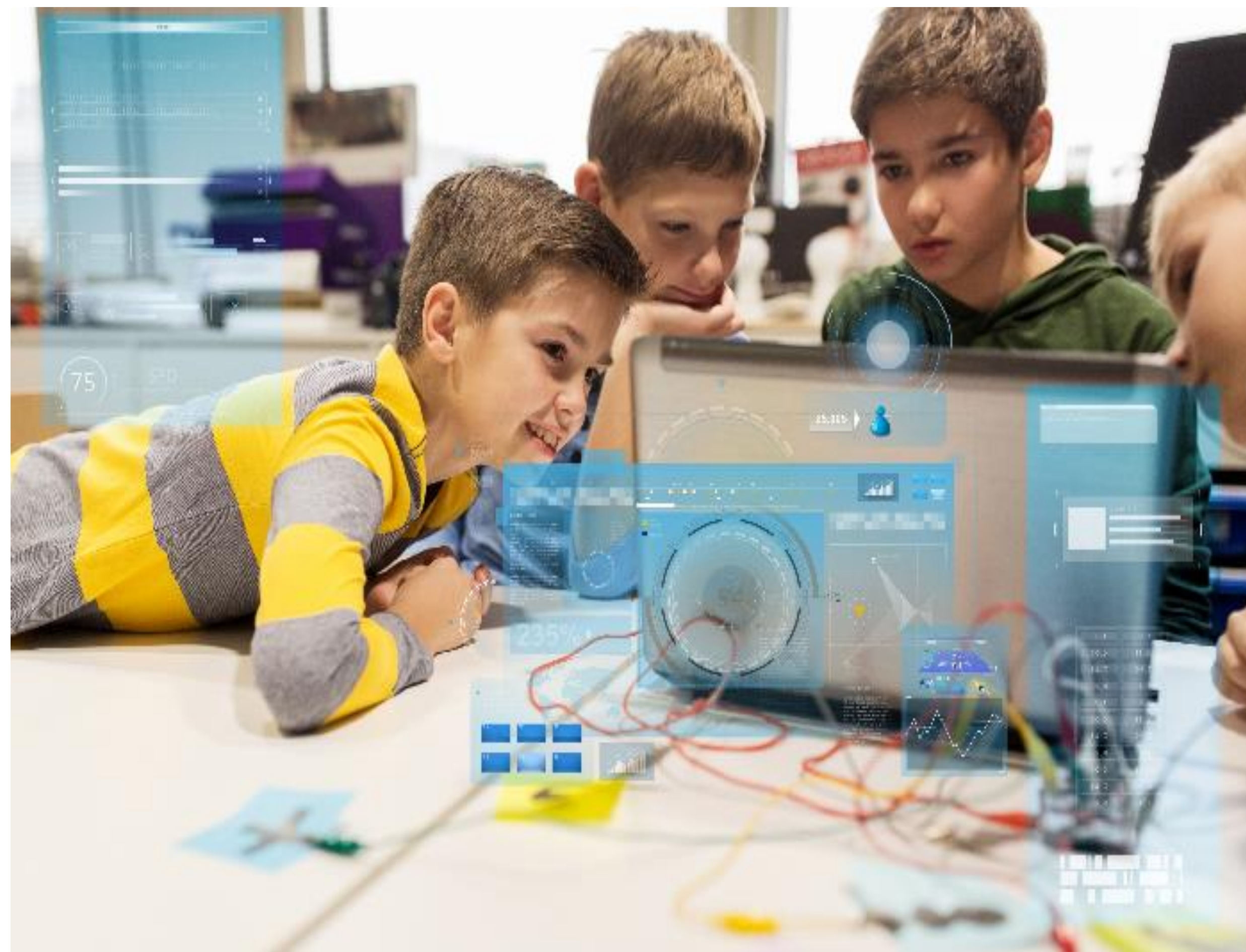
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ALL SCHOOLS IN CROATIA



177 M EUROS
(ESF+ERDF)



NEXT PHASE: MAJOR PROJECT



1166
schools

803 elementary schools

314 secondary schools

49 music schools

1493
locations

e - services

- Digital Content Repository
- Education Management Application
- Enterprise Resource Management System
- Ecosystem
- Classroom Management System
- Learning Analytics and BI systems
- Sensors and Smart Management

The use of e-Class registry (e-Dnevnik)

The image shows two overlapping screenshots of educational services. The top screenshot is the Edutorij website, featuring a search bar with filters for 'Razina obrazovanja' and 'Razred', and a 'PRETRAŽIVANJE' button. It also includes logos for CARNET, e-Skole, and the European Union. The bottom screenshot is the e-Skole application interface, displaying a login screen with the text 'Dobro došli u aplikaciju za organizaciju edukacija EMA' and a 'PRIJAVA U SUSTAV' button. A sidebar on the right contains options for 'PRIJAVA', 'POMOĆ', and 'PRIJEDLOZI'. Below the login area, there is a section for 'NOVE EDUKACIJE' with columns for 'Opis edukacije', 'Organizator', 'Mjesto održavanja', 'Termin održavanja', and 'Slobodna mjesta', and a 'POGLEDAJ SVE EDUKACIJE' button.

Why comprehensive national approach to digitalization through CARNET?

- 1.As a central government agency for ICT infrastructure in Education CARNET combines **expertise** in networking, software and user support **that schools (or the MoE) do not have**, but need.
- 2.CARNET already ran high speed and overprovisioned network with a series of national services that could be extended to schools.
- 3.Central procurement ensures better quality, professionally designed, standardized infrastructure for a lower price (saving government money for other investments).
- 4.Central planning enables development of standards, compatible **and scalable** systems.

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Thank you!